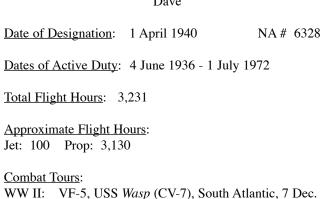


David Charles Richardson, VADM, USN (Ret.) "Dave"



	1941 - 10 Dec. 1941.
	VF-5, USS Wasp (CV-7), North Atlantic, 26 Dec.
	1941 - 17 Feb. 1942.
WW II:	VF-5, USS Saratoga (CV-3), Guadalcanal, 10
	Jun. 1941 - 21 Oct. 1942.

## **Aviation Commands:**

CO, Advanced Training Squadron, Vero Beach, FL., Jan. 1944 - Mar. 1944.

CO, Advanced Training Squadron, Daytona Beach, FL., Mar. 1944 - Sep. 1944.

CO, VF-1, Sep. 1944 - Jan. 1945

Commander, Air Group 13, Aug. 1948 - Sep. 1949 CO, USS *Hornet* (CVS-12), Sep. 1960 - Sep. 1961

COMCARDIV 7, Feb. 1966 - Aug. 1966.

COMCARDIV 5 (CTF-77), Aug. 1966 - Jun. 1967

COMSIXTHFLT, Aug. 1968 - Sep. 1970.

#### Combat Awards:

Legion of Merit Distinguished Flying Cross Air Medal Purple Heart



# **Duty Assignment Chronology**

6/32-6/36	Midshipman, U. S. Naval Academy.
6/36-6/38	USS Tennessee.
6/38-2/39	USS Downes.
2/39-4/40	Flight Training, NAS Pensacola, FL.
4/40-12/42	Fighter Squadron VF-5.
1/43-1/44	Operational Training Command.
1/44-3/44	CO, Advanced Training Squadron, Vero
	Beach, FL.
3/44-9/44	CO, Advanced Training Squadron,
	Daytona Beach, FL.
9/44-1/46	CO, VF-1.
1/46-6/46	Royal Navy Staff College.
6/46-6/48	Naval War College.
8/48-9/49	Commander, Air Group 13.
10/49-5/52	Joint Strategic Plans Group, JCS.
5/52-6/53	XO, USS Badoeng Strait.
6/53-11/54	Assistant Plans Officer, COMNAVAIR-
	PAC Staff.
12/54-6/57	CNO, Air Weapons Analysis Staff.
7/57-7/59	Operations/Intel, ComStrikeForSouth,
	Naples, Italy.
9/60-9/61	CO, USS Hornet (CVS-12).
11/61-2/64	CNO (OP-60), Navy's "planner" to JCS.
2/64-2/66	ComFairNorfolk.
2/66-8/66	Commander, CARDIV SEVEN.
8/66-6/67	Commander, CARDIV FIVE (CTF-77).
7/67-7/68	Assistant DCNO (Air).
8/68-9/70	COMSIXTHFLT.
9/70-6/72	Deputy CINCPACFLT.
7/1/72	Retired from active duty.
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# **Summary of Significant Career Events**

(1) Shot down first Jap plane while under intercept control of USS *Saratoga*, a "MAY" seaplane; a first for both ship and me.

# Summary of Significant Career Events (continued)

- (2) Operations Officer of first Navy fighter squadron based on Guadalcanal. Wounded and hospitalized 4 weeks, returned to get three more kills. Departed 21 October 1942.
- (3) As COMSIXTHFLT, created Mediterranean wide area surveillance information net, later expanded to Ocean Surveillance Information Net. It was the first to:
  - Succeed in getting satellite photo support for tactical exploitation. (CINCPACFLT had tried for KOREA coverage, but was denied.)
  - Request (and obtain) satellite sensor systems support for wide area surveillance, including SAM systems locations and electronics for strike planning.
  - State need for, provide test support of and exploit operationally the resultant nuclear weapons sensor for determining which Soviet ships had such weapons aboard, what kind and which SSN-3 missiles were so armed.
  - Operationally exploit Soviet underwater communications tactically.
  - Create "National Week" series of exercises for Mediterranean, purpose to test surveillance effectiveness, expanded at urging of Jerry O'Rourke to carrier-vs-carrier encounters, and this led to first "hiding" from Soviet surveillance of our carriers by placing them inside three miles of shorelines. (We saw Soviets do that, to defeat us, so copped the idea.)
  - Exploit CIA offer to "put a Mercedes on my masthead" by getting leased private boat support for multiple tasks where no other access to Soviet controlled areas was possible. Included underwater communications intercepts. Admiral Tom Moorer, CNO, provided me a direct communications link to him to be used to identify surveillance and intelligence needs. We had complete coverage with positional accuracies measured in minutes of Soviets in Operation OKEAN-70.
- (4) Post retirement consultant in all aspects of computer exploitation for command and control of naval forces. OUTLAW HAWK, OUTLAW SHARK, the TALLEY-MAN series and TFCC. C3 countermeasures development and space systems support to deployed tactical forces.