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**N. Bryant Day II, Col. USMC (Ret.)**  
“Otis”

Hometown: Military Brat  
Fremont, CA 1978-1980  
Cocoa Beach, FL 1973-1978  
Honolulu, HI 1964-1973  
Augsburg, Germany 1962-1964

High School and College Career:  
Mission San Jose High School, Fremont, CA 1980  
Bethel University, St. Paul, MN Dec 1984  
Naval War College, 1998  
Marine Corps War College, 2005

Dates on Active Duty: July 1980 – Dec 1980  
1 April 1985 -1 July 2013

Date Commissioned/Source:  
21 December 1984, USMC Platoon Leaders Class

Date of Designation: 25 September 1987

Total Flight Hours: 3642.1

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed Wing 30

Approximate Flight Hours:  
Jet: (Nos) Prop: (Nos)  
VMFA: VFA-125, VMFAT-101, VFA-106, VMFA-314,  
VMFA-235, VMFA-232, VMFA-321 (2,603 hrs, F/A-18  
A/B/C/D/E/F)  
2 FS (30.7 hrs, F-15A)  
58FS (582.6 hrs F-15C)  
VT-2 (73.1 hrs T-34C), VT-26 (110.6 hrs T2-C), VT-24  
(107.4 hrs TA-4J)  
VMR: (UC-35D, 134.7 hrs)



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Combat tours:

Desert Shield / Storm (VMFA-314, 22 Aug 1990 – 24 Mar 1991,  
Shaikh Isa AB, Bahrain, F/A-18A)  
Enduring Freedom (58 FS, 6 Dec 1992 – 20 Mar 1993, 1 June -31  
July 1993, Dhahran, AB Saudi Arabia, F-15C)  
Operation Enduring Freedom (AFPAK hands, Jan 2010 – Aug 2010,  
Regional Command S /SW, Kandahar, Afghanistan,)

Combat missions:

35 F-15C, 145.7 hrs  
43 F/A-18A, 73.1 hrs

Commands:

Marine Aircraft Group 49, Detachment A, Andrews Air Force  
Base, MD 2002-2005  
Marine Aviation Training Support Group-33, NAS Oceana,  
VA 2008-2010

Awards:

Legions of Merit w/ 3 gold stars  
Distinguished Flying Cross w/ “V”  
2 x Air Medal w/ combat V, Strike/Flight Numeral 6  
USAF Aerial Achievement Medal  
Meritorious Service Medals - 3  
Navy Commendation Medals – 2 (1 w/ “V”)  
Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal

**Duty Assignment Chronology**

08/88-02/89 Asst Logistics Officer, VMFA-314, MCAS  
El Toro, CA, F/A-18A  
02/89-05/90 Schedule Officer, VMFA-314, MCAS  
El Toro, CA, F/A-18A  
06/90-06/91 Pilot Training Officer, VMFA-314 MCAS  
El Toro, CA F/A-18  
07/91-02/92 Weapons and Tactics Officer, MAG-11,  
MCAS El Toro, CA F/A-18 A/B/C/D  
10/92-07/94 USAF F-15C USMC Exchange pilot  
10/92-07/93 Acting Chief of Weapons, 58FS, Eglin AFB,  
FL F-15C

### Duty Assignment Chronology continued

10/94-06/95 Weapons and Tactics Officer, MAG-11,  
MCAS El Toro, CA F/A-18 A/B/C/D

07/95-07/98 Asst Maintenance Officer, Maintenance  
Officer, Operations Officer, Executive Officer,  
VMFA-232, MCAS El Toro / MCAS Miramar,  
CA

### **Summary of Significant Career Events**

- (1) TOPGUN / WTI graduate
- (2) As the USAF F-15C exchange pilot, hand-picked to plan and fly the first strike mission against Iraq since Operation DESERT STORM
- (3) Developed the MAWTS-1 F/A18 forward quarter air to air gunnery course.
- (4) Developed and stood up the USMC Advanced Tactics and Training Program for ALL USMC F/A-18s.
- (5) HQMC Dept of Avn RO for ECP-583 the largest aircraft upgrade for the F/A-18A to F/A-18C capability and integration of the AIM-9X and Helmet mounted sight.
- (6) As the USMC lead for Naval Tactical Air integration program created a 15-year plan for SecNav approval for the integration of four USMC F/A-18 squadrons into Carrier Air Wing deployments, incorporating depth to dwell, individual aircraft service life, work-up cycles, aircrew turnover, and OPTEMO.
- (7) Hand selected as the Marine Corps 0-6 lead for the USAF-USMC warfighting talks. As part of a 6-person team, participated in the fact finding, development, and presentation of issues critical to the Joint Force Air Component Commander and USMC for the optimum employment of joint aviation capabilities in Operation Enduring Freedom.
- (8) Hand selected to serve as the Marine Corps Joint Strike Fighter Task force lead. Oversaw the holistic plan for the integration of the F-35 B and C aircraft into Marine Air Wings to include aircraft fielding, air base and logistic preparations.

### **Summary of Post Military Work**

- (1) 06/13–12/20 Director, Pacific Division, Plans Policy and Operations / Installations and Logistics, HQMC. Responsible for the migration of USMC forces from Japan to Guam and Hawaii and the construction of the first new USMC base since the 1950s.
- (2) 01/2021-02/2024 Blue Sky Innovators, LO/CLO SME, Dept. of the U.S. Air Force