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Edward Hyslop McKitterick, Commander, USNR
(Naval Aviator #39)

Edward Hyslop McKitterick was born in Sissiton, Indian Agency, (South) Dakota, on September 23, 1889. He entered the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland, on appointment from the State of Iowa on June 14, 1907, and was graduated and commissioned Ensign on June 8, 1912. He resigned his commission, in the rank of Lieutenant Commander, effective November 26, 1919, and the next day accepted an appointment in the U. S. Naval Reserve Force, being honorably discharged on November 24, 1923. He accepted an appointment in the Naval Reserve on December 13, 1941, a few days after the United States entered World War II, and served until January 11, 1944, in the rank of Commander.

Following graduation from the Naval Academy in June 1912, he had sea duty until April 1914 successively in the USS *Kansas*, a unit of the Fourth Battleship Division, Atlantic Fleet; the USS *Montgomery*, torpedo practice ship assigned to Special Service at Newport, Rhode Island; and again in the USS *Kansas*. Duty from April to October 1914 at the Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois, preceded further sea duty until March 1916 aboard the USS *Eagle*, surveying ship, and the USS *North Carolina*, first aviation training ship, based at Pensacola, Florida.

On March 19, 1916, he reported for aviation instruction at the Aeronautic Station at Pensacola, and before his detachment in July 1917 was designated Naval Aviator #39. For the next six months he was with the Naval Aviation Detachment, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Massachusetts. From January to June 1918 he had duty at the Naval Air Station, Chatham, Massachusetts, and during the last six months of World War I, he was with the U. S. Naval Aviation Forces Abroad, Londonderry and Lough Foye, Ireland.

Returning to the United States in December 1918, he served for three months at the Naval Air Station, Bay Shore, Long Island, New York, and from April until November

1919, had duty afloat as Navigator of the USS *Frederick*, operating with Division 2, Cruiser Force. His resignation from the U. S. Navy was effective November 26, 1919, and from November 27, of that year, until November 24, 1923, he had regular periods of training and instruction as an officer in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

Called to active duty immediately after accepting a commission in the U. S. Naval Reserve following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, on December 7, 1941, he reported to Headquarters, Third Naval District, New York, New York, On August 23, 1943, he was transferred to the Navy Department, Washington, where he remained on duty in the Office of Procurement and Material until detached on January 7, 1944, as Officer in Charge of the Industry Cooperation Division.

Commander McKitterick is entitled to the Victory Medal, Aviation Clasp; the American Campaign Medal; and the World War II Victory Medal.

A son of Dr. and Mrs. N. McKitterick, Commander McKitterick and his wife, the former Mary Chase, had two children: Nathaniel M. and Gertrude McKitterick.