

Edward W. Clextion Jr., VADM, USN (Ret.)
"Ed"

Date of Designation: 9 November 1961 NA# V-18303

Dates of Active Duty: 8 June 1960 - 31 October 1993

Total Flight Hours: 4,000

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 800 Rotary: 10

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 3,750 Prop: 200 Helo: 50 VF/VA: 3,450
VR/VP: 80 HS/HC/HU: 50 VS/VAW: 100
VU/VFP: 20 VT: 300 LTA: 2

Combat Tours:

8/4 - 8/25/64 Gulf of Tonkin (F4B) - 10 missions
1/69 - 8/69 South China Sea (F4B) - 98 missions
12/70 - 3/71 South China Sea (F4J) - 92 missions
Total - 200 missions

Aviation Commands:

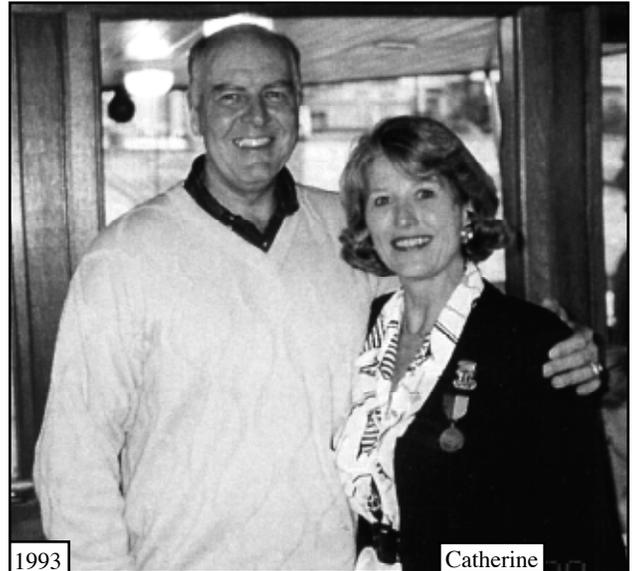
CO, VF-102, USS *Independence*, Nov. 1972-Nov. 1973.
CO, USS *Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN-69), Jun 1981-Jun. 1984.
COMCARGRU-3, 1986-1988

Combat Awards:

12 Air Medals
2 Navy Commendation Medals with combat "V"

Duty Assignment Chronology

1/55-6/56 NARTU Anacostia, Washington D.C.
AR/AA in CVWR-66 (SNJ).
6/56-6/60 USNA, Annapolis, MD. Midshipman (N3N
"Yellow Peril", blimps at Lakehurst, and T-34s
at Pensacola).
7/60-9/60 VT-1, Saufley Field, FL (T-34).
10/60-5/61 VT-4, Sherman Field, FL (T2J).



7/61-11/61 VT-22/23, Kingsville, TX (F9F8 & F11F).
12/61-1/62 VA-126, Miramar, CA. (F9F8T).
2/62-6/62 VF-121, Miramar (F4H-1).
6/62-5/65 VF-53/143, Miramar & USS *Constellation*
(CVA-64) (F4B). Power Plants and Flight
Officer.
6/65-2/66 TPS, NAS Patuxent River, MD. (T1, F8, T28,
A4, F6, T39, S2, B26, HU-16, OV1, H34,
UH1).
3/66-6/68 Flight Test Division/Flying Qualities and
Performance Branch, Naval Air Test Center.
(F4, F8, A6, A7, A4, P3, T37, B26, U1B, C54,
O-1C).
8/68 VF-126 (TA4F).
9/68-12/68 VF-121 (F4B/J).
12/68-4/71 VF-114 (F4J), Miramar & USS *Kitty Hawk*
(CV63). Operations and Maintenance Officer.
5/71-11/73 XO/CO, VF-102 (F4J), Oceana, VA & USS
Independence (CV-62).
1/74-1/75 Nuclear Power School.
1976-78 XO, Precomm Unit, USS *Dwight D.*
Eisenhower (CVN-69).
1979-80 CO, USS *El Paso* (LKA-117).
Fall 1980 to Department of State, Executive Seminar on
Spring 81 National/International Relations.
6/81-6/84 CO, USS *Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN-69).
Libyan & Lebanese crises.
1984-86 OP-64, Pentagon.
1986-88 COMCARGRU-3. Alameda. Had *Enterprise*,
Nimitz, *Carl Vinson*. and their Air Wings.
1989-91 Atlantic Fleet Operations and Deputy CINC.
1991-93 Deputy CINCUSNAVEUR, London
10/93 Retired from active duty.

Summary of Significant Career Events

- (1) First flight (1956) as an AA in CVWR-66 Anacostia - in an SNJ.
 - (2) One of first students to Basic jet pipeline.
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Summary of Significant Career Events continued

- (3) First “nugget” in F4 Phantom (2/62).
- (4) As test pilot:
 - F4K/M project pilot for Royal Navy/RAF.
 - F4 spin project for USN/USAF. Flat spin ejection 9/67.
 - Select Member, SETP - July 1968.
- (5) Aboard USS *Constellation* during Gulf of Tonkin crisis - flew against NVN torpedo boats on the first night and on the initial retaliatory strikes into NVN.
- (6) Selected to command a squadron as a LCDR under an Adm. Zumwalt Z-gram program called “Bobby-Soxers”!
- (7) Hosted President & Mrs Carter aboard IKE (‘78). Also dined with Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco (‘82), King Hassad of Morocco (‘82), Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip, and King Olaf of Norway (‘92-93).
- (8) Last flight (1995) over New York city in the SKYTYPERS - in an SNJ!!