

oooo Weet... Attention on Deck... "Saints...January newsletter"...Arriving!

ALSO ON SAINTS WEBSITE

VA-163 SAINTS GRAM

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KEEPING THE MEMORY ALIVE

*Distance and time may separate us
but friendship and memories won't*

Dedicated to those who have invested their lives to the cause of Freedom in America! God Bless our Men and Women who are (or Have) in any way or manner served to protect our Great Nation and the freedom we have.

And God Bless the United States of America.



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Happy New Year

Standing the Watch

Ed Copher, Editor, "Saints Everlasting Keeper of the Flame"

Keeper of the Flame, Song by Miranda Lambert

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=ydE6lzad-VQ>



ONCE A SAINT, ALWAYS A SAINT





[Click Here](#)

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/va163saints/sets/>

Also on Saints website, [PHOTOS](#) section

Contains 80 Albums (Sets).... 4,832 Photos

View Counts as of 04 JAN 2020

Total

936,356 views



****Paid \$49.99 to Flickr.com for Saints Photo website on 17 Nov 2019



*****SAINTS WEB SITE*****

THE WEBSITE HAS THE LATEST NEWSLETTERS AND ROSTER

Saints website www.va163.org (password: *Saints4ever* (capital S))

16,922 Visitors since Mar 09

[History](#), [Latest Info](#), [Photos](#), [In Memoriam](#), [Miscellaneous](#), [Newsletters](#), [Links](#), [Recall Roster](#)

*****Total cost for the Saints Website is \$293.97 per year**

4 Sept 2019 paid **\$286.34** to GoDaddy web hosting for 2 year renewal

Any donations are appreciated

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Folks that have sent in “website” donations 2017-19: A big shout out...“Thank You”

Ken Adams

Raymond Baker

Dave Carey

Ed Chadwick

David Farley

JC Ferris

Bob Feuillerat

Earl Groff

Tom Harwood

Bill Houk

Tom Kline

Daniel Lestage

George Lundy

Roger Meyer

Pete Munro

Floyd Oakes

MA Petty

John Roosen

Bill Sargent

Russ Stickley

James Thompson

Bill Tomko

Anthony Stable

James Marcely (VA-164)

Tommy Wimberly



Folks that have donated to the “Saints Flower Fund”: Thank You

*Flowers have been sent to **3** funerals*

Ken Adams

Raymond Baker

Russ Stickle

Earl Groff

John Roosen

Thomas Harwood

Griff Sexton

Ed Chadwick

Daniel Lestage



TAPS in 2018-19: A moment of silence in memory of these Saints. RIP



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wn_iz8z2AGw

Fair Winds and Following Seas. We have your watch covered!!!!

Louie Norbye: 28 July 2019

Patrick Gulick: 30 June 2019

John Langlinais: 16 April 2019

Hubert Cook: 12 March 2019

Marion Petty: 18 Nov 2018

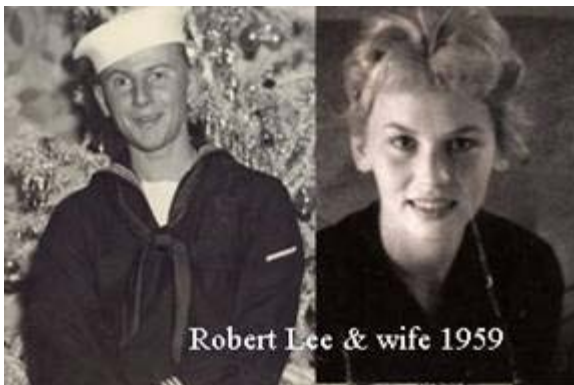
Larry Dupler: 9 Nov 2018

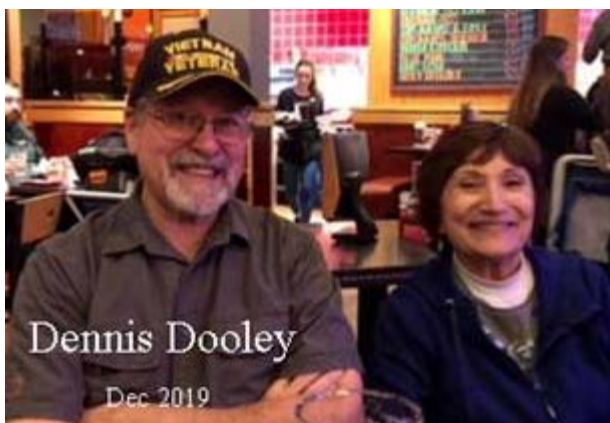
John McCain: 25 August 2018



[Message from Earl Groff:](#) 14 Dec 2019

Hello Ed, Had my sixth chemo three weeks ago. Then they did a Pet/CT scan. They said my cancer was gone. Will do another scan in sixth months to see if it is still gone. EAG Jelloman earlgroff@verizon.net





Lady Jessie showing in Reno: Sunday 4 Jan 2020

I don't know how many squadron-mates live in the Reno area, but I wanted to let you know that "Lady Jessie" will be airing on the Reno PBS station Sunday at 5:30 pm. Sorry for the late notice, I just wanted to be certain before I passed the word along (and asked you to pass the word along!).

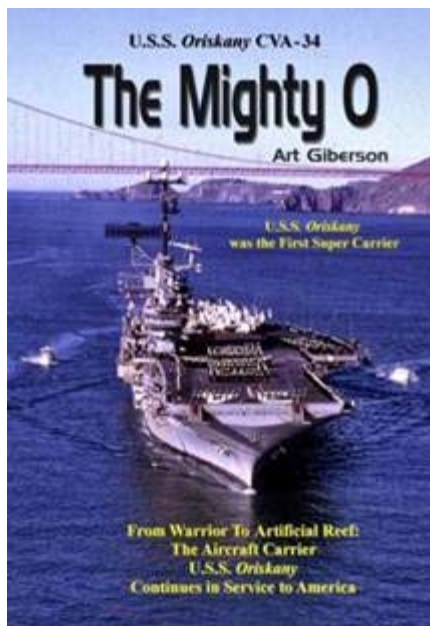
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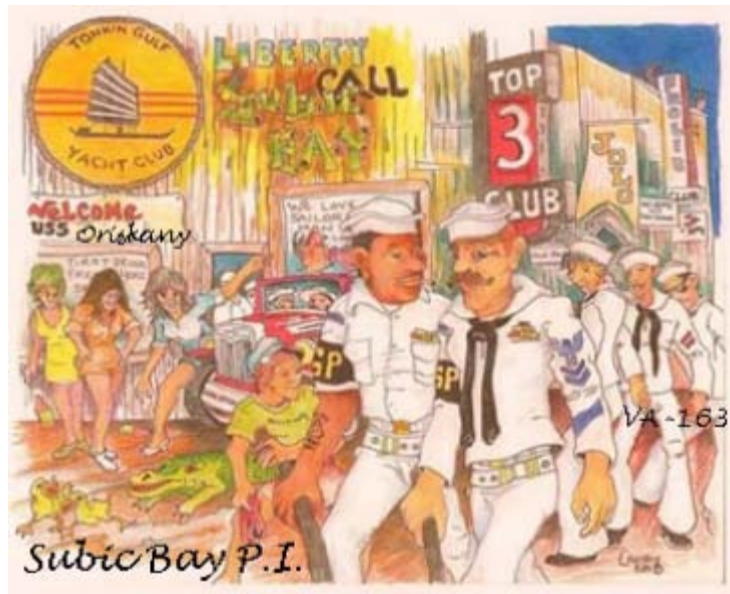


Sep 63; Nov 63;
May-Nov 65; Jun
- Oct 66; Jul 67-
Jan 68; May-Oct
69; Jun-Aug 70;
Oct-Nov 70; Jun-
Nov 71; Jun 72-
Mar 73;

USS Oriskany CVA-34 Deployments







Boot Camp Inspection



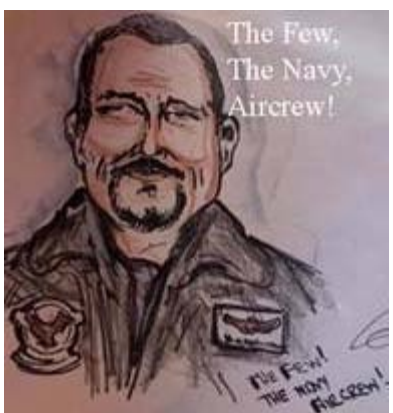


TEN COMMANDMENTS OF THE FLIGHT DECK

- I THOU SHALT NEVER VENTURE UPON THE ROOF DURING FLIGHT OPS UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. FOR THOU KNOWEST IT IS THE MOST DANGEROUS PLACE ON THE SEA.
- II THOU SHALT CARE FOR AND MONITOR DAILY THE STATUS OF THY FLIGHT DECK GEAR AS IF THY LIFE DEPENDED UPON IT, FOR IT DOES.
- III THOU SHALT ALWAYS ENDEAVOR TO KEEP THY HEAD ON A SWIVEL, LEST THE TONCAT'S TAIL OR THE CORSAIR'S MOUTH HURT THEE BADLY.
- IV THOU SHALT NEVER BE WITHOUT THY FLASHLIGHT AT NIGHT.
- V THOU SHALT NEVER WALK OR CRAWL UNDER AN UP TAILHOOK.
- VI THOU SHALT CARRY THE GOSPEL TO ALL ENDS OF THE SHIP THAT THE PORT CATWALK IS NO-MAN'S-LAND DURING LAUNCHES AND RECOVERIES.
- VII THOU SHALT NOT ANGER THE HANDLER, NOR THE FLIGHT DECK OFFICER, NOT THE CAT OFFICER, NOR ARRESTING GEAR OFFICER, NOT THE AIR BOS'N, NOR ANYONE THAT IS A SERVANT OF THE BOSS.
- VIII THOU SHALT FOREVER RECOGNIZE THY RESPONSIBILITY, REGARDLESS OF PAY GRADE, TO DISPLAY COMMON SENSE AND A LITTLE INITIATIVE WHENEVER THOU OBSERVEST A SAFETY VIOLATION IN PROGRESS.
- IX THOU SHALT ALWAYS BE VIGILANT AGAINST THY INCESSANT ENEMIES: COMPLACENCY, EXPEDIENCY, IGNORANCE, FATIGUE, AND PDD.
- X THOU SHALT NEVER FORGET THAT THE BOTTOM LINE IS TO PROTECT THE NATIONAL INTERESTS OF OUR COUNTRY.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!!

SOURCE: "APPROACH",
JANUARY 1981



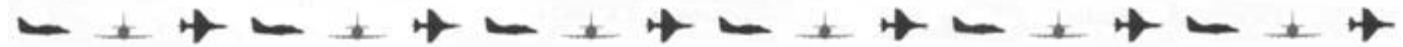
[The Skyhawk Association has 797 members, 14 Saints are members](#)

VA-163 page: <http://a4skyhawk.info/article-unit/va163>

Please join the Skyhawk Association. A great Quarterly Magazine, allot of A-4's and Saints articles.

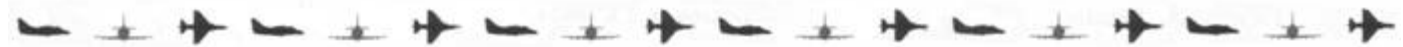
Only \$30 per year.

To Join: www.A4skyhawk.info.org



F-18 Parking on Flightdeck:

<https://fbwat.ch/1vthAlcaGlvADom4>



A-4 Launch 1962:

<https://www.facebook.com/100026351565698/posts/312902602931456?d=n&sfns=mo>



I Stand:

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/2eBxVxO0nh4>



[Blue Angels In Flight:](#)

https://www.wearethemighty.com/blue-angels-cockpit-footage?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=Evergreen&utm_term=Veterans&utm_content=blue-angels-cockpit-footage



[Blue Angels Cockpit...](#)

[WATCH: BLUE ANGELS - Footage Inside the Cockpit](#)



[Saints WestPac 1965-66 Video:](#)

John Shore had his 8 mm movies converted to a DVD. He said it only took him 50+ years to get it put together. I took the DVD and uploaded it to YouTube.com. What a task for this rookie YouTube user, took many hours, first had to convert DVD to Mp3, and that took hours of work. Then upload to YouTube took many steps to get accomplished. Click on the link below to view on YouTube.

LINK address: <https://youtu.be/bwuTIK544cQ>

[Oriskany Sinking Article & photos:](#)

<https://fighterjetsworld.com/naval/the-u-s-navy-blows-up-aircraft-carrier-sets-world-record-that-still-stands/10506/>

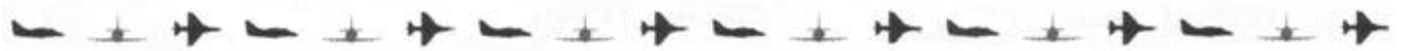
[181 Pictures from Oriskany, including inaction Fire photos:](#)

No need to log in.

<https://genelewis.smugmug.com/SLIDE-GALLERY-FROM-JAMON-KENT-PH2/>

NAS Lemoore April 1968:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5sRIO4kvjVE&feature=youtu.be>



SAINTS ONBOARD (260 Names)

“Muster Call”

Revised 04 JAN 2020

New or changed address:

See website roster

Please advise if you have any additions or corrections.

Complete Muster Call can be found on the Saints website – www.va163.org
(password, **Saints4ever**) capital **S**

