

former Executive Officer

Commander PAPPAS is a native of San Marcos, Texas. Upon graduation from Southwest Texas University in 1956 he entered the U.S. Navy through the Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island.

Commissioned in March 1957 he was assigned to USS MISSISSINEWA (AO-144) as Gunnery Officer and First Lieutenant. This was followed by assignments to USS SPRINGFIELD (CLG-7) as ECM Officer and CIC Officer, and Service School Command, Bainbridge, Maryland where he served as Regimental Officer, Officer-in-Charge of Radioman "A" School and Executive Officer.

After completing an assignment on USS WILLARD KEITH (DD-775) as Weapons Officer he served on the Staff of the Joint Military Mission for Aid to Turkey as the Destroyer and Surface Ship Advisor. After an eighteen month tour as Executive Officer of NEOSHO, Commander PAPPAS assumed command of the USS RIGEL (AF-58).

Commander PAPPAS is the son of Mr. Bill PAPPAS and the late Mrs. Helen PAPPAS of San Marcos, Texas. He is married to the former Marie Madeleine DuPort of Vouvray, France. They have three children, two sons, Christopher and Dimitrios and a daughter Natasha.



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