

Executive Officer

Commander Troy James Erwin attended Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island, graduating in June 1971 with Bachelor's Degrees in Electrical Engineering and Political Science. After commissioning, he attended Basic Officer's Submarine School in New London, CT.

From April 1972 to December 1973, Commander Erwin served as Weapons Officer, First Lt. and Sonar Officer in **USS GREENFISH (SS-351)**. Following Strategic Weapons Officer training, he was Assistant Weapons Officer in **USS BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (SSBN-640)(Blue)** from March 1974 to May 1976. He served as SSBN Operations and Plans Officer from June 1976 to June 1979 on the staff of Commander Submarine Group EIGHT in Naples, Italy. After Strategic Navigation System Training he was Navigator and Operations Officer in **USS TECUMSEH (SSBN-628)(Gold)** from September 1979 to March 1983. He served as Assistant Team Leader of the Tactical Weapons Training and Certification Team on the staff of Commander Submarine Group SIX from April 1983 to February 1985. He completed the Basic Diving Officer, Salvage Diving Officer and Mixed Gas Diving Officer courses in August 1985. He commanded **USS KITTIWAKE (ASR-13)** from 18 October 1985 to 8 October 1988. He became Executive Officer of **USS McKEE (AS-41)** in October 1988.

Commander Erwin's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), the Navy Achievement Medal, the Meritorious Unit Commendation with Bronze Star, the Battle Efficiency "E" Ribbon with Bronze Wreath (seven awards), the National Defense Medal and the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with Bronze Star.

Commander Erwin is married to Commander Tina Debs Erwin, USN, currently assigned as Executive Officer, Submarine Training Facility, San Diego, California. They have two children, James Mason and Jeanne Marie.



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