

COMMANDING OFFICER



STANFORD W. COSTON
COMMANDER, USN

A native of Butler, Pennsylvania, CDR Coston graduated from Grove City College, Grove City, Pa., in 1952 with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

After attending the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School, he entered the Navy in February 1953 as an Officer Candidate. Upon completion of OCS at Newport, R.I., he was commissioned an Ensign in July 1953.

His first assignment was aboard the destroyer escort USS F.M. ROBINSON. In December 1956 he was ordered to the destroyer USS JOSEPH P. KENNEDY, JR.

After serving as Operations Officer for the Fourth Naval District's Destroyer Activation Team, he attended the Navy's General

Line School at Monterey, California, and the Naval Intelligence School in Washington D.C.

In July 1961 he was ordered as Executive Officer of the destroyer escort USS HAMMBERBERG, and in February 1963 he assumed command of the ocean minesweeper USS VALOR.

In April 1965 he was assigned to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (Intelligence) and in August 1967 he attended the Armed Forces Staff College.

CDR Coston is married to the former Eugenia Daily of Panama City, Florida and resides with their two children at 563 O'Hare St., Naval Station, Mayport, Florida.