

Commanding Officer



CDR. WILLIAM K. DOTY

Commander William K. Doty, son of Colonel Kie Doty, USA (Retired), was born at Fort Porter, Buffalo, N.Y., September 28, 1923 and lived at various Army posts until he entered the Naval Academy in 1942. After graduating and being commissioned an Ensign in June 1945 he reported to USS DAYTON (CL-105) then operating off Tokyo Bay and served in that ship as Fire Control Officer until the fall of 1946. He married Miss Lois Turner of Annapolis, Maryland in October 1946. Then followed duty in USS ROCHESTER (CA-124), USS ADIRONDACK (ACC-15) and USS MOUNT OLYMPUS (AGC-8), in gunnery and operations billets.

He attended the U.S. Naval Post Graduate School for two years in the Ordnance Engineering Curriculum, graduating in 1953 with the Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering. He then studied Industrial Engineering at Purdue University earning a Masters Degree.

Completing his post graduate training in 1954 he returned to sea and commenced a series of duty assignments in the Destroyer Force, Atlantic Fleet, as Gunnery Officer USS STODDARD (DD-566), Operations and ASW Officer on the Staff of Commander Destroyer Squadron 28 and as Executive Officer USS DELONG (DE-684).

From June 1958 to February 1961 he was the Production Officer at U.S. Naval Ordnance Plant, Louisville, Ky., engaged in the manufacture of 5"/54 guns, torpedo launchers and components for missile launchers.

Following a tour as Executive Officer, USS M.C. FOX (DDR-829) he reported in April 1962 to assume command of USS HAWKINS (DDR-873).

Commander and Mrs. Doty have three children, Carol, William and Kathleen and reside in Jacksonville Beach, Florida.