



Former CO

Captain

W. Scott Gray IV

United States Navy

Captain Gray was born in Providence, RI. He attended high school in Southern Maryland and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD, with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering in 1979.

Upon completion of Nuclear Power and Submarine Schools, Captain Gray reported aboard the USS BERGALL (SSN 667) in Norfolk, VA, where he served as an Engineering Division Officer and Weapons Officer and earned his submarine warfare pin. His first assignment ashore was at the Bureau of Naval Personnel in Washington, DC, where he served as a Manpower, Personnel and Training Policy Analyst.

In 1986, Captain Gray served as Navigator and Operations Officer on board USS LA JOLLA (SSN 701) in San Diego, CA, where he completed several Western Pacific deployments and his submarine command qualifications. As a follow-on Department Head tour, he served as Engineer Officer aboard USS OHIO (SSBN 726) (Gold) in Bangor, WA, where he completed three strategic deterrent patrols.

Captain Gray's second shore assignment began as Flag Secretary and Aide to the Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command in Washington, DC.

Then, in 1991, he was selected and appointed by the President as a White House Fellow serving as the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Energy.

In late 1992, Captain Gray reported as Executive Officer aboard USS HOUSTON (SSN 713) in San Diego, CA, and completed two Western Pacific deployments. In 1995, he assumed command of USS MARYLAND (SSBN 738) (Blue). During his command tour the MARYLAND conducted five strategic deterrent patrols and was awarded two Battle Efficiency "E" awards.

Following his command tour, Captain Gray earned his Master of Science in National Security Policy at the National Defense University. He reported to the Joint Chiefs of Staff first serving as the Chief of the Nuclear Operations Branch and then the Executive Assistant to the Director for Operations (J3). Captain Gray has also earned his Master in Business Administration from Brenau University.

In July 2001, Captain Gray assumed command of USS EMORY S. LAND (AS 39), a forward deployed submarine tender homeported in La Maddalena, Italy.

Following the Change of Command, Capt. Gray departed to Washington D.C., to assume the duties as Deputy Chief of the Office of Legislative Affairs, Office of the Secretary of Navy.