

COMMANDING OFFICER

Captain T. W. McNamara

Captain McNamara, the son of William F. and Molly (Quigley) McNamara, was born in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania on November 26, 1926. He is a graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy and Lehigh University. Following graduation from the academy in June 1948, he was commissioned an Ensign and reported aboard USS HENRICO (APA-45) for duty. Subsequent assignments included Navigator in USS MONTROSE (APA-212), Executive Officer in USS ENERGY (MSO-436) and Operations Officer in USS FLOYD B. PARKS (DD-884).

In November 1959, Captain McNamara reported to the Bureau of Naval Personnel where he served initially as a Placement Officer and then as Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Chief for Personnel Control. Detached in July 1961, he reported to **USS JOHN PAUL JONES (DD-932)** for duty as Executive Officer. Captain McNamara returned to the Naval War College in August 1964, for duty on the staff in the War Gaming Department and later as an Aide to the President.

From July 1966 to April 1968, he commanded **USS ROBISON** (**DDG-12**). During his tour, the ship received the Meritorious Unit Commendation and the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces Meritorious Citation(Gallantry Cross). He next served on the staff, Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, as Training and Readiness Officer and for two months as Assistant Chief of Staff for Plans and Operations. In September 1970, he became Executive Assistant and Senior Aide to the Chief of Naval Material, from which assignment he reported to the **USS CHICAGO**.

Among Captain McNamara's decorations are the Legion of Merit with Combat Distinguishing Device and Gold Star in lieu of second award, the Bronze Star with Combat Distinguishing Device, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Combat Action Ribbon, the Meritorious Unit Commendation and numerous campaign and theatre ribbons.

Captain McNamara is married to the former Claire C. Carr of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. They and their seven children, Sharon, William, Daniel, Joseph, Thomas, Robert and Patrick reside in San Diego, California.

