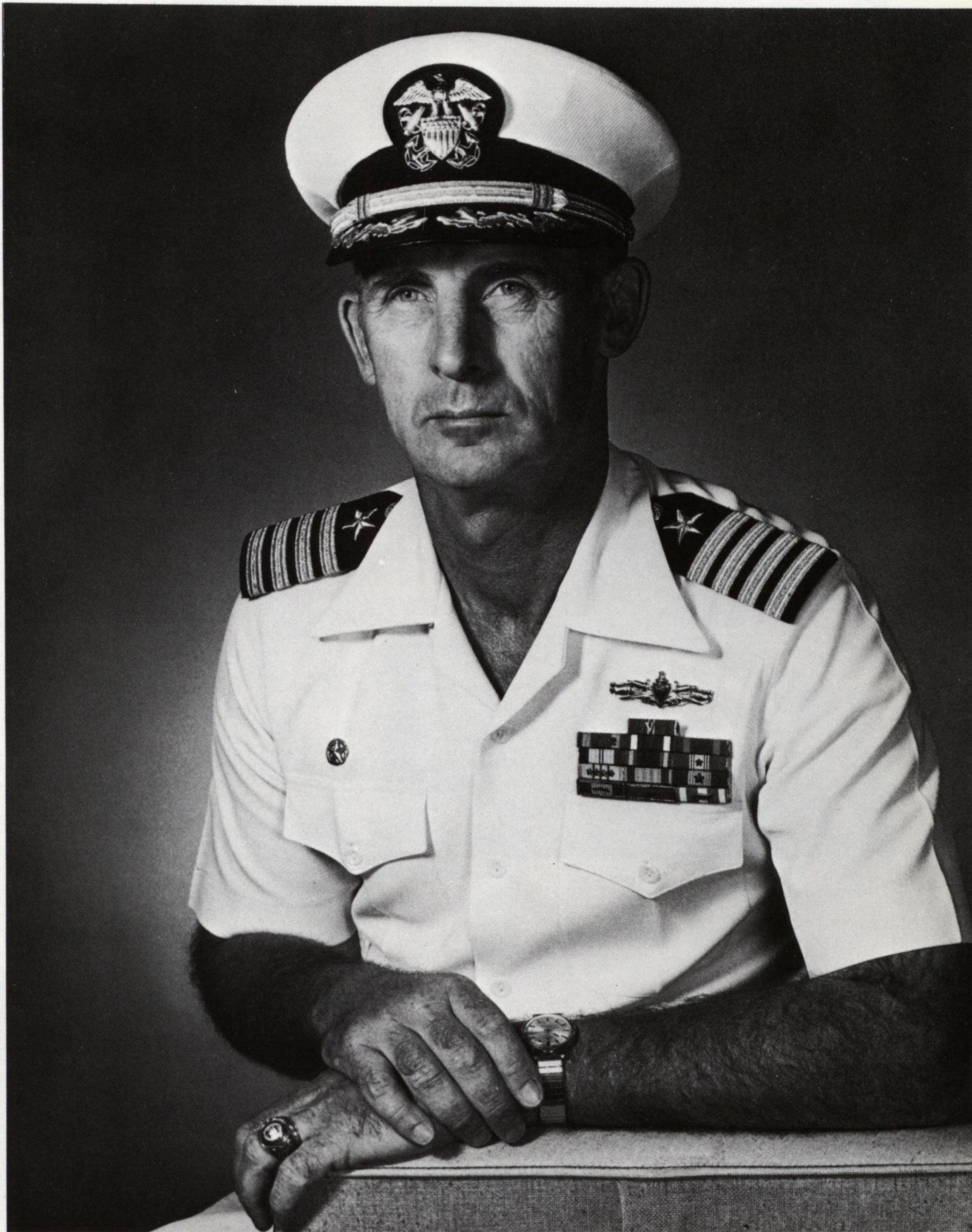


AT THE HELM

CAPTAIN NELSON BEGAN HIS NAVAL CAREER WITH A SHORT ENLISTMENT PRIOR TO ENTERING THE NAVAL ACADEMY AT ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND. AFTER GRADUATION IN 1956, HE SERVED FOUR YEARS IN ENGINEERING AND WEAPONS DUTIES IN DESTROYERS USS GARY (DER-326) AND USS DECATUR (DD-931). HE NEXT SERVED ASHORE ON THE COMMANDANT'S STAFF AT BOTH THE NAVAL ACADEMY AND THE MILITARY ACADEMY AT WEST POINT. CAPTAIN NELSON'S SUBSEQUENT SEA ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF USS MORTON (DD-948) AND THREE COMMANDS INCLUDING USS COCOPA (ATF-101), USS COOK (FF-1083) AND THE NAVAL ADVISORY UNIT NHA BE, VIETNAM WHERE HE WAS INVOLVED IN COMBINED RIVERINE OPERATIONS AS SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE COMMANDER RUNGSAT SPECIAL ZONE AND LOGISTICS SUPPORT BASE NHA BE. STAFF TOURS HAVE INCLUDED DUTY AS SURFACE ASSIGNMENT OFFICER IN THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL, LOGISTICS OFFICER FOR COMMANDER FIRST FLEET AND MAINTENANCE OFFICER AND HEAD OF MAINTENANCE PLANS AND PROGRAMS FOR COMNAVSURFPAC.



CAPTAIN CARL A. NELSON, USN

CAPTAIN NELSON HAS ATTENDED THE NAVAL WAR COLLEGE AND HOLDS A MASTERS DEGREE IN MANAGEMENT (SYSTEMS ANALYSIS) FROM THE POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL IN MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA. HIS AWARDS AND DECORATIONS INCLUDE THE BRONZE STAR WITH "V", TWO STRIKE FLIGHT AIR MEDALS, THE NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL, THE NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, COMBAT ACTION RIBBON, RVN CROSS OF GALLANTRY BRIGADE LEVEL AND VARIOUS CAMPAIGN AND SERVICE MEDALS.

CAPTAIN NELSON IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER BARBARA LONG OF DORMONT, PENNSYLVANIA. THEY HAVE THREE DAUGHTERS.

HE REPORTED TO WORDEN FROM THE STAFF OF COMMANDER CRUISER-DESTROYER GROUP ONE, WHERE HE SERVED AS OPERATIONS AND PLANS OFFICER.