



PREVIOUS COMMANDING OFFICER

JUDSON H. SPRINGER

CAPTAIN
U.S. NAVY

12 FEBRUARY 1982

31 OCTOBER 1983

Captain Judson H. Springer was born in Springville, Pennsylvania in June 1935. After graduation from Springville-Dimock High School, he attended East Stroudsburg State Teachers College earning a Bachelor of Science degree in June 1957. Commissioned in July 1958 through the AOC Program, Captain Springer completed flight training and was designated a Naval Aviator in February 1960.

Captain Springer's tours of duty have included VA-93, VA-125 and VA-192 at NAS Lemoore California. In addition, he has served as an exchange pilot with the United States Air Force at Cannon Air Force Base, New Mexico, as an instructor pilot with VA-174 at Cecil Field, and Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of VA-113. A year at the National War College was followed by a tour with OP-NAV. In January 1978 he took command of Carrier Air Wing EIGHT aboard the **USS NIMITZ** and in May 1979 reported to Commander Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. Captain Springer served as Commanding Officer **USS AUSTIN (LPD-4)** from 12 February 1982 until 31 October 1983.

Captain Springer's decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Navy Commendation Medal and 26 Air Medals.

Captain Springer is married to the former Bama Jean Smith of Mobile, Alabama. They reside in Virginia Beach with their two sons, Jud and Robert.