

Harry C. Schrader Jr. was the Weapons Officer, 66-67, aboard USS Scamp, SSN 588. He died April 19, 1998. He was Academy Class '55 and below is his 1985 bio. He last lived in Coronado, CA as VADM USN

Upon graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1955 Harry was assigned to the USS BLUE (DD 744). In 1958 he was assigned to the Weapons Department of the USS OBSERVATION ISLAND (AG 154), and while serving as launcher operations officer, participated in the first at-sea launching of a Polaris Missile.

In 1960, Harry commenced a three-year tour of duty at the Naval Post- Graduate School in Monterey, California, where he earned a Masters' Degree in Physics. In August, 1963, following a tour of instruction at the Navy Diving School, he assumed command of the USS TAWASA (ATF 92). In April, 1966, following nuclear power training and Submarine School, he reported onboard the USS SCAMP (SSN 588) where he earned his dolphins. In December, 1967, he commenced a tour as Executive Officer of the USS THOMAS A. EDISON (SSBN 610).

Harry assumed command of the Blue Crew of the USS ALEXANDER HAMILTON (SSBN 617) on January 17, 1970, and conducted six Polaris deterrent patrols. The Providence Plantation Council Award, signifying the most outstanding Polaris and Poseidon submarine in the Atlantic Fleet, was awarded to the HAMILTON for Fiscal Year 1972.

Following detachment from the HAMILTON in November, 1972, Harry assumed command of USS ANDREW JACKSON (SSBN 619) for a brief period, and served on the staffs of Commander Submarine Flotilla SIX and Commander Submarine Refit and Training Group in La Maddalena, Sardinia.

In 1973, Harry commenced a two-year tour as Commanding Officer of the USS HOWARD W. GILMORE (AS 16), the U.S. Sixth Fleet submarine tender home ported in La Maddalena, Sardinia. Returning to the surface forces in 1975, he commenced a three-year tour as commanding officer of USS LONG BEACH (CGN 9). He was selected for Flag rank while serving as Commanding Officer of that ship.

His first flag assignment was director of MLSF, Amphibious, Mine and Advanced Naval Vehicles Ship Division, in the office of the Chief of Naval Operations. He held the post from August, 1978, until October, 1980

From October, 1980, to July 1982, Harry served as Commander Cruiser- Destroyer Group ONE, home ported in San Diego. During this tour of duty, he also served as Commander, Surface Combatant Force, U.S. SEVENTH Fleet, during deployment to the Western Pacific.

He assumed duties as Commander, Naval Surface Force, U. S. Pacific Fleet on July 30, 1982, and was promoted to Vice Admiral in December, 1982.

Harry is married to the former Carol Joan Gossman of Baltimore, Maryland. They and their daughter, Mary Clare, reside in Coronado, California.

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