USMC Class 38th OCC/BC 3-66 Alumni Profiles



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Kid's Name: Nichole, Amy, Gabrielle, Courtney MOS: 0802

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After leaving Quantico: Attended Artillery Officers Basic Course at Fort Still, Oklahoma; then assigned to Battery E and W, 2nd Bn, 10th Marines

at Camp Lejeune, N.C. as Fire Direction Officer and Embarkation Officer. Attended Air Observer School at New River

Air Station

Vietnam Tour: July 1967 – July 1968 and April 1972 – October 1972 Attached To: July 1968 and April 1972 – October 1972 Attached To: July 1968 and April 1972 – October 1972

Jobs in Nam: Air Observer, Battery Commander
Locations in Nam: I Corps, DaNang area North to DMZ
Operations in Nam: Swift, TET 1978, Easter Invasion 1972

Experiences to Share:

Best:

Commanding an Artillery Firing Battery in combat and directing air and naval gunfire against Soviet Tanks and artillery in support of Vietnamese Marines fighting NVA in 1972.

Worst:

Some of my worst experiences were losing Marines to enemy mortars, rockets and SA – 7 anti air weapons

Favorite Memories:

In Service:

12 years of command time. Serving with and meeting Marines of all ages and backgrounds

After Service:

Teaching public school; working with kids who keep you young; playing with our 6 grandchildren and riding my Gold Wing while rediscovering the USA and other places

Medals Received:

24 Air Medals, Navy Commendation Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, Purple Heart, Defense sup of Service Medal, Legion of Merit

Job<u>s:</u>

In Service:

XO – Recruiting Station Denver, Co.; Student AWS, Armed Forces Staff College; Army War College; Instructor Fort Sill, OK; CO, Marine Barracks NAS Le More, CA; CO 2nd Bn, 10th Mar; S-3 10th Mar; G-3 A III MAF Okinawa; Asst OPSO – MCAGCC 29 Palms; XO and CO 12th

Marine Corps Dist, San Francisco; CO Western Sector US MEPCOM San Francisco

After Service:

When I retired in 1992, I went back to school, received my Masters in Education and taught 7th and 8th grade Social Science for 13 years at La Grande, OR Middle School. Jacquie also taught 1st and 2nd grade and retired in 2005.

Other Comments:

Thank you to all the Marine classmates who are keeping our memories fresh and to all who carry on the tradition.