

# 2019: Presentations and Events



## MEET A VETERAN

### Donald W. Pageler

THEN	NOW
Navy (1966-1978) Petty Officer 2nd Class/E-5 USS Chen (SSN-595) Oahu, HI	"Support our Troops"

*Donald*  
 Donald being retired, coming to Uk Long Beach, and spending time with his family.

*Military Story*  
 Donald joined the Navy in June 1966 and went to boot camp in San Diego, CA. Communication Technicians School in Pensacola, FL; USS Liberty in Norfolk, VA; Naval Communications Station in Oahu, HI; and was discharged at Treasure Island in San Francisco, CA. On July 9<sup>th</sup> 1967, Don suffered burns and lacerations from an attack by Israeli Air Force jets and Navy Wildcats, on the USS Liberty during the Six Day War. The command air and sea attack killed 16 crew members, wounded 178, and severely damaged the ship. He was awarded a Purple Heart, Presidential Unit Citation, Combat Action Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, and the National Defense Medal.





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*Gary Tegel*

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Navy (1961-2013) Senior Chief/E-8 Last Duty Station: Center for Naval Leadership	"God is good all the time and all the time God is good"

**Gary**  
Enjoys reading, collecting Navy Chief vintage items, hiking, speaking to students through the Orange County Freedom Commission, mentoring new Navy Chiefs at Seal Beach Naval Weapons Station, and spending time with his family, especially his kids, grandchildren, and his wife who supported him throughout his service.

**Military Story**  
Gary attended boot camp in San Diego, CA and "A" school in Philadelphia, PA. As a Hull Technician, Gary served aboard 9 ships located in San Diego, CA, Yokosuka, Japan, and Long Beach, CA. He served in many deployments in the Western Pacific during the Cold War and also in the during Operation Iraqi Freedom: the total return to Japan in 2011 to assist with the tsunami relief. Gary spent many years teaching leadership to sailors of all ranks throughout the chain of command. He was a certified Navy Facilitator and instructor. Now retired, Gary continues to train new Navy Chiefs.

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