



Fleet Readiness Center Southwest

Captain Craig Owen

Executive Officer

Capt. Craig Owen grew up in Jamesport, Missouri and graduated from Tri-County High School in 1981. He enlisted in the Navy in December 1981 and upon completion of boot camp, reported to Aviation Structural Mechanic School in Memphis, Tennessee.

Capt. Owen was promoted to Chief Petty Officer in 1991 after only nine years of enlisted service and held the rank of Chief Petty Officer for two years. As part of the Limited Duty Officer Program, Capt. Owen was commissioned in 1993 and completed initial officer training at Schools Command in Pensacola, Florida.



His tours encompass cruises in the Pacific Ocean and Mediterranean Sea onboard USS *John F. Kennedy* (CVN-67), USS *George Washington* (CVN 73), USS *Carl Vinson* (CVN 70), the USS *Midway* (CV 41) and the USS *Ranger* (CV 61) as well as a work-up cruise with the USS *Enterprise* (CVN 65).

Capt. Owen served with multiple squadrons, to include Helicopter Combat Support Squadron ONE (HC-1), Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Fourteen (HS-14), Attack Squadron One Four Five (VA-145), Electronic Attack Squadrons One Two Nine (VAQ-129), One Three Nine (VAQ-139), One Four One (VAQ-141) and Strike Fighter Squadron One Three One (VFA-131), gaining experience in several Type/Model/Series aircraft platforms, including SH-3 *Sea King*, A-6 *Intruder*, EA-6B *Prowler* and F/A-18 *Hornet* aircraft. His shore duty assignments include Aviation Intermediate Maintenance Detachments in Rota, Spain and Norfolk, Va., Fleet Readiness Center Mid-Atlantic (FRCMA), Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV), Commander, Fleet Readiness Centers (COMFRC) and Fleet Readiness Center Southwest (FRCSW).

Capt. Owen received his undergraduate degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University with a major in Professional Aeronautics in 1999, and transitioned to the Aerospace Engineering Maintenance Duty Officer, 1520 Designator, in 2000. Capt. Owen earned dual Master's degrees in Aviation Aerospace Safety Systems and Aviation Aerospace Management, graduating from Embry-Riddle in 2005 with honors.

Capt. Owen's personal awards and decorations include four Meritorious Service Medals, eight Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, six Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals and numerous unit awards. He is Acquisition Professional Certified and has received numerous Defense Acquisition University certifications to include Production Quality and Manufacturing Level III, Logistics Level III, Program Management Level III and Systems Planning Research Development and Engineering Level II.

Capt. Owen is married to the former Cynthia Ong and they have a daughter named Afton.