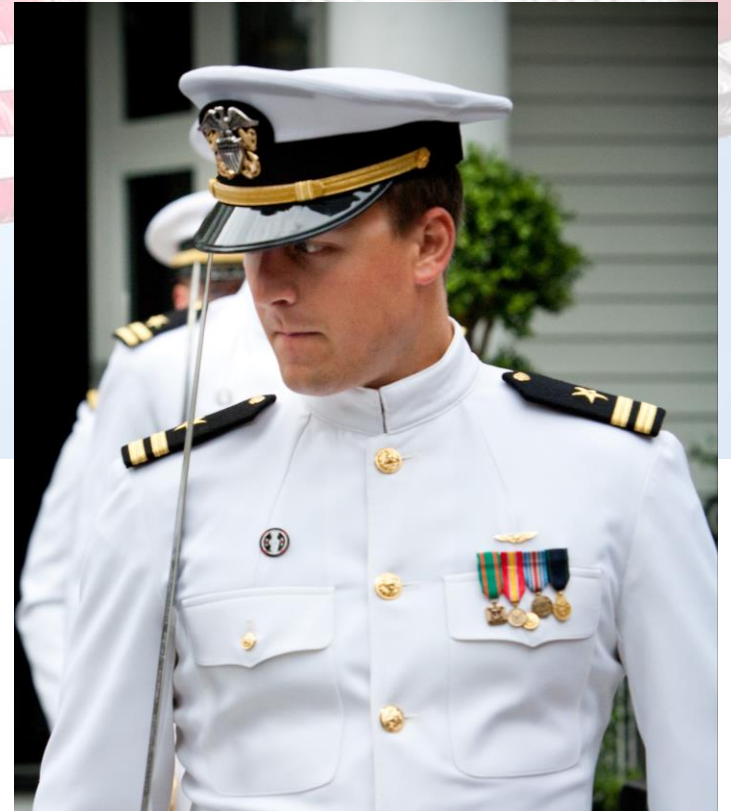


In Loving Memory



CDR Carr “KH” Kratovil

January 31, 1980 –
November 9, 2018

Man must rise above the Earth—
to the top of the atmosphere and beyond—
for only thus will he fully understand the world in which he lives.
- Socrates





High Flight

Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of earth,
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling
mirth
Of sun-split clouds, --and done a hundred things
You have not dreamed of --Wheeled and soared
and swung
High in the sunlit silence. Hov'ring there
I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung
My eager craft through footless halls of air...
Up, up the long, delirious, burning blue
I've topped the wind-swept heights with easy
grace
Where never lark or even eagle flew --
And, while with silent lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand, and touched the face of God.

John Gillespie Magee, Jr.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Opening Remarks.....CDR Scott Wastak

Invocation.....LT Calel Butler

Words of Remembrance

Stephen C. Kratovil

Werner DeW. Kratovil

Michael S. Hudner

Anson B. Frelinghuysen

Charles E. Littlefield III

Robert C. Scruggs

LCDR Michael Nunziato

CDR Robert Ruby

Benediction.....LT Calel Butler

“Dreamers”Hayden Lee

Navy Hymn.....Hayden Lee

Military Honors



Stephen Carr Kratovil, Jr.

1980 - 2018

Commander Kratovil is a native of New York, NY and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Bucknell University. He was commissioned through Officer Candidate School in January 2003 and earned his wings of gold as a Naval Flight Officer in December 2004.

CDR Kratovil's operational assignments include the Bear Aces of VAW-124, as a junior officer, where he participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom onboard USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71); and the Screwtops of VAW-123 while assigned to Commander Air Group One (CVW-1) onboard USS Enterprise (CVN 65) as the Assistant Operations Officer. As a Department Head he served with the Seahawks of VAW-126 as the Safety and Maintenance Department Head onboard USS Harry Truman (CVN 75).

Ashore, CDR Kratovil was an Instructor Combat Information Center Officer (ICICO) and Assistant Operations Officer at the Greyhawks of VAW-120, the Fleet Replacement Squadron (FRS). CDR Kratovil was selected for and served as Flag Aide for U.S. Naval Fleet Forces Command.

CDR Kratovil flew over 200 combat missions and logged over 2200 hours in various aircraft and accumulated over 750 arrested landings. His personal decorations include the Navy Commendation (2 Awards), the Navy Achievement Medal (2 awards) and various other medals, unit and campaign awards.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the VAW-VRC (Navy Hawkeyes and Greyhounds) Memorial Scholarship Fund: <http://vaw-vrc-memorialfund.org>



Carr's family invites all of his friends to visit the following website in order to share memories, stories, and pictures.
<https://www.forevermissed.com/stephen-carr-kratovil/#about>