

ANDREW COMBE

1942 – 2021

Captain Combe served aboard the USS POWER DD839 as Operations Officer in the late 1960's

Obituary

Captain Andrew J. Combe, US Navy (Retired)

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Andrew J. Combe CAPT. U.S. NAVY (Ret.) Captain Andrew J. Combe, USN (Ret.) of Fairfax Station, VA passed away February 25, 2021. Born on September 4, 1942 in Crickhowell in Wales, United Kingdom . As an undergraduate at Yale, Andy was a member of the Naval Reserve



Officers Training Corps (NROTC), and he was commissioned an ensign upon graduation in 1964. He made the Navy his career and rose through the ranks to attain the rank of captain. His last duty station was as commanding officer of the USS Philippine Sea (CG-58), a Ticonderoga class guided-missile cruiser. He captained that ship from her commissioning in 1989 until he retired from the Navy in 1990. A Cruiser Destroyerman throughout his Navy career of 27 years, Andy's first ship was USS Hugh Purvis (DD- 709). He subsequently attended Destroyer School in Newport, Rhode Island and served as **Operations Officer in USS Power (DD-839)** where he deployed to the Mediterranean Sea and Vietnam. He then served as Assistant Plans and Surface Operations Officer with Commander Carrier Division Two, U.S. Sixth Fleet.