

# NAVAL HISTORY DIVISION

LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE) EVERRETT ALVAREZ, JR.  
UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE

Everett Alvarez, Jr., was born in Salinas, California, on December 23, 1937, son of Everett and Soledad (Rivera) Alvarez. He attended Salinas Union High School and Hartnell Junior College in Salinas, and in June 1960 received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of Santa Clara, Santa Clara, California. On October 14, that year he was commissioned Ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve and was subsequently promoted to Lieutenant (junior grade), to date from April 14, 1962.

After receiving his commission in 1960, he had flight training at the Naval Air Basic Training Command, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida. In June 1961 he was transferred to the Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Kingsville, Texas, where he had further training until December 9, 1961. He next had eighteen weeks' instruction, attached to Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE, based on the Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California, and in June 1962 joined Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR. While operating from the USS CONSTELLATION, he was reported missing on August 5, 1964, in the vicinity of Hon Gay Harbor during a United States raid on North Viet Nam.

He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and cited as follows:  
"For heroism and extraordinary achievement in aerial flight. By his skill, courage, and devotion to duty, (he) upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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