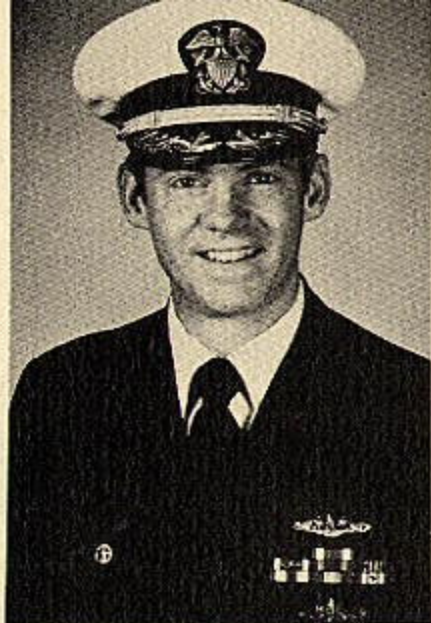


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Commanding Officer, USS Cincinnati (SSN-693)*

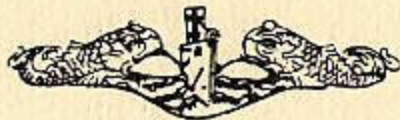
Commander Robert E. Hawthorne, JR. entered the United States Naval Academy from the state of Colorado. After graduation and commissioning in June, 1967, he completed nuclear propulsion training at Mare Island, CA. and Idaho Falls, ID., followed by Submarine School in New London, CT.

He was assigned to USS HENRY CLAY (SSBN 625) (GOLD) from June 1969 through May 1972, operating from Charleston, SC. and Apra Harbor, Guam. After training in strategic weapons systems, he served as Navigator/Operation Officer in USS MARIANO G. VALLEJO (SSBN 658) (GOLD) for three years.

Commander Hawthorne was assigned as the S3G Plant Evaluation Officer and Senior Evaluation Officer at the Naval Nuclear Power Training Unit, Ballston Spa, NY. Commencing October 1975 for two years, and as Executive Officer in USS BLUEFISH (SSN-675) from December 1977 through March 1981. He served on the Staff of the Secretary of the Navy for two years prior to reporting to CINCINNATI.

Commander Hawthorne's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal with three gold stars and the Navy Achievement Medal. He also wears the Meritorious Unit Commendation with two bronze stars for services in HENRY CLAY, MARIANO G. VALLEJO, AND BLUEFISH, and the Navy expeditionary Medal with bronze star for services in BLUEFISH.

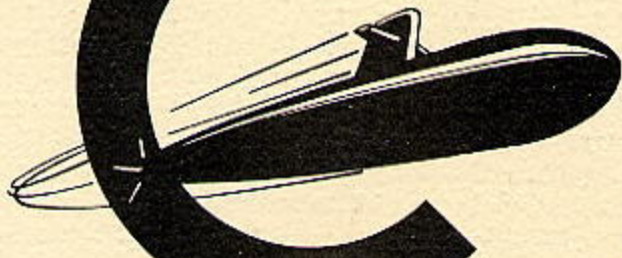
Commander Hawthorne and his wife, the former Susan Elizabeth Bates of Arlington, VA., reside with their two sons in Virginia Beach VA.



## **USS CINCINNATI (SSN 693) SHIP'S HISTORY**

The keel for USS CINCINNATI (SSN-693) was laid on 6 April 1974 at Newport News, Virginia. The ship was launched February 19, 1977 and commissioned 10 June 1978 under the command of CDR G.V. WILKES III, USN. Following sound trials and midshipmen operations, she participated in the NATO exercise "NORTHERN WEDDING", and training of prospective commanding officers. CINCINNATI deployed to the Mediterranean Sea for five months in April 1980, participating in midshipmen operations and prospective commanding officer training upon her return. In November 1980, the ship hosted Admiral Rickover and Former President Nixon for a two-day at sea period. On 17 January 1981, CDR Wilkes was relieved as Commanding Officer by CDR KURT T. JUROFF, USN. Shortly thereafter the ship deployed to the Indian Ocean, traveling over 60,000 miles and circumnavigating the world. She then entered Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Virginia for a Selected Restricted Availability. In 1982 CINCINNATI conducted underway congressional familiarization operations in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and then deployed for North Atlantic ASW operations. After a port call in Faslane, Scotland, the ship returned to Norfolk and conducted prospective commanding officer training. January 1983 found CINCINNATI providing ASW services and after an abbreviated visit to St. Croix, US V.I., she departed for North Atlantic ASW operations. CINCINNATI commenced her second Selected Restricted Availability at Norfolk Naval Shipyard in June, and deployed to the Mediterranean Sea in October for five months. On 25 February 1984 at La Spezia, Italy, CDR Robert E. Hawthorne relieved CDR Juroff as Commanding Officer. Since CINCINNATI'S return from the Mediterranean, employment has included both independent operations and participation in fleet exercises.

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