



## **Command Master Chief Anthony T. Smith United States Navy**



Command Master Chief Anthony T. Smith, a native of Savannah, GA, enlisted in the Navy, September 1982. After completing recruit and apprenticeship training in Recruit Training Center, Orlando, FL, he reported to USS SAGINAW (LST 1118), as a non-designated seaman.

He rose through the ranks to Petty Officer Second Class and was transferred to Headquarters, Naval District Washington, D.C, in October 1986. There he served as Flag coxswain, hosting Flag and General Officers and various envoy guests of the Navy.

In February 1989, he reported to USS PHILIPPINE SEA (CG 58), as Work Center Supervisor for First Division and Operations Department Career Counselor. He earned Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist qualification, and later promoted to Chief Petty Officer.

Chief Smith returned to Recruit Training Center Orlando, FL, serving as a Recruit Company Commander in October 1993. After the disestablishment of RTC Orlando, he reported to Port Operations, NAVSTA Norfolk, VA in February 1995. Chief Smith served as Lead Scheduler was responsible for berth assignments for the U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

Chief Smith reported to USS SOUTH CAROLINA (CGN 37), serving as Ship's Boatswain and USS ROSS (DDG 71), where he served as ship's First Lieutenant and promoted to Senior Chief Petty Officer, in October 1996 and February 1999, respectively.

Senior Chief Smith reported to Afloat Training Group, Norfolk, VA, serving as Leading Chief Petty Officer for Deck/SAR division, in December 2000. There he earned his Afloat Training Specialist qualification and became Team Leader/Senior Trainer for the U.S. Atlantic Fleet carriers.

Master Chief Smith graduated from the U.S. Navy Senior Enlisted Academy, Class 106(Gold), where he was promoted to his present rank and reported to USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70), in June 2003. There he received the COMNAVAIRFOR Navy and Marine Corps Leadership Award, while serving as Deck Department LCPO in December 2005. He was selected for the Command Master Chief/Chief of the Boat program in January 2007 and graduate of CMC/COB Capstone course, Class 039.

Command Master Chief Smith reported to USS ARLEIGH BURKE (DDG 51) June 15, 2007 as Command Master Chief. There he led the Admiral's destroyer to an "excellent" INSURV score in 2008. ARLEIGH BURKE also won the Retention Excellence Award (Golden Anchor), and proudly flew the Enlisted Surface Warfare Excellence Pennant, for the first time in five years.

Command Master Chief Smith assumed duties as Command Master Chief, Transient Personnel Unit Norfolk, VA in June 2010.