

## Commanding Officers' Biography

Commander Roy Love

CDR Roy Love enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1988, attended the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training (BOOST) Program in San Diego California in 1989, and was awarded a four year NROTC scholarship to attend the State University of New York Maritime Academy, where he earned a Baccalaureate Degree in Marine Transportation/Business Administration. He received his NAVAL commission in 1993.

His first tour of duty was aboard USS GALLERY (FFG 26), where he served from 1993-1996 as Communications Officer and later, Ordnance Officer. In September 1996, CDR Love reported to the USS CAPE ST GEORGE (CG 71) as the Damage Control Assistant.

In March 1998, CDR Love reported to COMNAVBEACHGROUP TWO and served as Maritime Prepositioned Forces (MPF) Officer.

In February 2001, CDR Love reported to USS STEPHEN W. GROVES (FFG 29) as Combat Systems Officer. Following his tour on GROVES, CDR Love reported to COMDESRON 26 in October 2002 to serve as Combat Systems Officer. Following his tour at CDS 26, CDR Love reported to COMSEVENTHFLT in Yokosuka, Japan to serve as the Fleet Scheduler for the Forward Deployed Naval Forces from September 2004 until December 2005.

In April 2006, CDR Love reported to USS JOHN L HALL (FFG 32) as Executive Officer.

In November 2007, CDR Love attended the Naval War College in Newport Rhode Island, where he earned a Master of Arts Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies, and completed his Joint Professional Military Education.

Following his tour at the War College, CDR Love deployed to Iraq on an Individual Assignment in support of the ARMY 304th Sustainment Brigade stationed at Joint Base Balad as Team Leader of the NAVY's Petroleum Oil and Lubricant (POL) Detachment from May-October 2009.

CDR Love served as Commanding Officer of USS BOONE (FFG 28) from MAY 2010 - DEC 2011. He assumed command of Afloat Training Group, Mayport on 16 December 2011.

CDR Love's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (6 awards), the Army Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal (2 awards), the Humanitarian Service Medal, and various unit and service awards.