

Valuing Service

Capt. Carl Cramb

Class of 1977

As a Marauder, Carl lettered in basketball on the 1976 State Champions and 1977 State semi-final teams. He was named to the First Team All Suncoast and First Team All-State. Carl is a member of the Marauder Athletic Hall of Fame.

After CCC, Carl continued his education at the U.S. Naval Academy receiving a Bachelor of Science in Engineering and later at Marymount University, receiving a master's in business administration. Carl served 28 years in the US Navy attaining the rank of Captain. He commanded a Guided Missile Frigate, conducting strategic operations in the Western Pacific with allies from six countries. Subsequently, Carl commanded a Destroyer Squadron where he led a group of five ships to Scotland to conduct coordinated war gaming operations with five NATO navies. His final operational tour was as the Chief of Staff for the SECOND FLEET, where he oversaw the training of all east coast deploying strike groups and the operations of approximately 10,000 Sailors assigned to surface, aviation and sub-surface assets. When not at sea, Carl completed five tours of duty at the Pentagon developing and analyzing various elements of annual Navy budgets. He conducted Combat Operations during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. During his distinguished career, he was awarded five Legion of Merit Medals, one Defense Meritorious Service Medal, four Meritorious Service Medals, four Navy Commendation Medals and one Navy Achievement Medal.

Carl transitioned from the Navy in 2009 and now works in business development and operation departments for Department of Defense companies. Carl has served on the Board of Directors for the Surface Navy Association and as Chair for the American Society of Naval Engineers annual conference.

After being away for 43 years, Carl recently returned to the Tampa Bay area and established his own consulting business and is volunteering as a US Naval Academy Admissions Blue and Gold Officer supporting CCC and other high schools in the area.