

HONORING OUR VETS

A special tribute to local military veterans who currently are Florence-area residents or have connections to the area.

FRED ALLEN

HM2, U.S. Navy
1967-1969
Tours of Duty: Northern corps

SHARON ARMSTRONG



U.S. Coast Guard
(Reserve)
1972 - Enlisted E-5
Storekeeper First Class
2003 - Retired O-6
Captain

Ports Assigned: San Francisco, CA; Seattle, WA; Philadelphia, PA; Washington, D.C.; Major Assignments: Port Security Team Leader, Training Officer, Administrative Officer; Executive Officer, Commanding Officer, Group Commander; Senior Reserve Command Advisor.

TOM ARMSTRONG



CT2, U.S. Navy
1964-1968
Tours of Duty: Great Lakes, IL; Pensacola, FL, USNCS Sidi Yahia, Morocco.

TYSON ARRANT



U.S. Army
2000-present
Tours of Duty:
Operation Enduring
Freedom, Kuwait

DENNIS BAKER



E-U, U.S. Army
1968-1970
Tours of Duty: Vietnam
Awards: Purple Heart,
Army Commendation
Medal, Good Conduct
Medal, National
Defense Service Medal,
Vietnam Service Medal

with three Bronze Stars, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, Expert Badge with Rifle Bar

LLOYD E. BAKER



A/IC, U.S. Air Force
1954-1958
Tours of Duty: New York, Mississippi, California, Japan

DANIEL BALDRIDGE



U.S. Air Force
1953-1957
Ground crewman and crew chief on the B-47 bomber during the Cold War

QUINT BARNABY



CW2, U.S. Army
National Guard
2009-2010
Tours of Duty: Iraq
Joined in 1985; still serving; picture is in front of one of Saddam's Palaces

DONALD BARTLETT



U.S. Navy
1951-1953
Tours of Duty: USS Polaris, USS Deliver

JULIAN "CLAY" BAUMEISTER



Petty Officer 3/C,
U.S. Navy
1944-1946
Tours of Duty: Norfolk, Va.

ROBERT L. BELK



Airman 1st Class,
U.S. Air Force
1952-1960
Tours of Duty: Labrador, Wichita, Kan.; 1-1/2 years in the Army National Guard

ANTHONY BELL



Specialist, U.S. Army Reserve
Tours of Duty: Kuwait 2003

RICHARD BENNETT



A2C, U.S. Air Force
1954-1958
Tours of Duty: Ernest Harmon AFB, Newfoundland and Little Rock, Ark., AFB

LEO C. BERNHARDT



E9 Chief, U.S. Navy
1942 for 25 years total.
Tours of Duty: Hawaii, Kodiak Alaska, Japan, Phillipines, California, Florida and Oklahoma

LOUIS BERNHARDT



Specialist, Oregon National Guard
2000-present
Tours of Duty: Bahgdad, Iraq, Operation Iraqi Freedom

DUANE BEST



U.S. Air Force
1950-1954
Tours of Duty: Rapid City, SD; Upper Hayford, UK.

JEFFREY BEVERIDGE



3rd Class Petty Officer, U.S. Navy
1992-1999
Tours of Duty: Served on the USS Abraham Lincoln CVN-72 during Operation Restore Freedom and Operation No Fly Zone

BYRON B. BLAKE



Tech Sergeant, U.S. Army
1945
Tours of Duty: South Pacific, Guadalcanal, American and British Samoa, Wallis Island, Iwo Jima and Okinawa

HARRY BLAKE

Seaman, U.S. Navy
1942-1945
Tours of Duty: South Pacific

KERRY J. BOGGS



Command Sgt. Major, U.S. Army
1981-Present
Tours of Duty: Baghdad, Iraq, and Hurricane Katrina

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