

# TACAMO Hall of Fame – 2020

## Bud Biddle – TACAMO Sailor

### Service

- VQ4 - Late 70s/early 80s
- VQ-3 – Late 80s to 91
- STRATCOMWING ONE Maintenance Officer (1991 - retirement)
- Rockwell Collins Field Service Team – '95 -2000

### Contributions

- Established an effective Naval aviation maintenance department at a newly established home port location
- Liaison between the wing, squadrons, contractor logistics, and the Air Force.
- Formed a network of working relationships that resulted in an efficient maintenance operation across the Fleet

### Leadership (Key Jobs)

- VQ-4 Aircraft Division Officer and Maintenance Control during high OPTEMPO ops
- VQ-3 Assistant Maintenance Officer during Herc to Merc transition and homeport change
- Wing's first Maintenance Officer at standup at Tinker and creation of structure supporting squadrons
  - Provisioned for Field Service Reps imbedded with squadrons, immediate assistance for Fleet needs
  - Blended squadron support such as I level and sourced support from Tinker AFB and ALC
  - Co-creator of Enhanced Phased Maintenance program, reducing out of service for depot work
  - Mobile maintenance team initial organizer and director
  - Directed team to strip, reconfigure, and create static display of TACAMO EC-130Q beside Wing
- Overall pioneer of an effective/efficient lasting TACAMO maintenance operation at Tinker AFB

### Community Service

- Member of Military Officers Association,
- Contributor to Rochester NY Food Link, other charities

### Peer recognition

- Fleet and NAVAIR leaders and Chiefs Community

