

Vice Admiral Andrew L. "Woody" Lewis Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Operations, Plans and Strategy (N3/N5)

Vice Adm. Andrew Lewis is a native of Los Altos, California, and a 1985 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He was designated a naval aviator in April 1987. He is a graduate of Air Command and Staff College, the Armed Forces Staff College and holds a Master of Arts in Military History from the University of Alabama.

His command tours include Carrier Strike Group 12 deploying with USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71), Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center aboard Naval Air Station Fallon, Carrier Air Wing 3 deploying with USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75), Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 106 aboard Naval Air Station Oceana and VFA-15 deploying on USS Enterprise (CVN 65) and USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71).



Lewis' operational sea tours include a division officer tour for Attack Squadron 72 deploying with USS John F Kennedy (CVN 67), as an exchange pilot/tactics instructor for 800 Naval Air Squadron deploying with HMS Invincible (R05) and as a department head for VFA-192 deploying with USS Independence (CV 62). Other deployed tours have been as a battle director at the Combined Air Operations Center in Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, and as the maritime operations center director at Naval Forces Central Command Bahrain.

Ashore, Lewis served as an instructor pilot in Air Training Squadron 23, as a branch chief at the Joint Warfare Analysis Center as the executive assistant to the chief of Naval Air Force, and as the executive assistant for the director, Joint Staff. As a flag officer, Lewis has served as the vice director for operations (J3) and director of fleet training (N7) at Fleet Forces Command.

He has flown over 100 combat missions in Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Southern Watch, Deny Flight, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. He has accumulated over 5,300 flight hours and 1,100 arrested landings. He was the recipient of the Naval Air Forces Pacific Pilot of the Year in 1996.

Lewis assumed duties as deputy chief of naval operations for operations, plans and strategy in August 2017.

His personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Legion of Merit (six awards), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (seven Strike Flight and four Individual with Combat "V"), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards; two with Combat "V"), and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, as well as various service and campaign awards