

## **CMDCM (SS) Steven J. “Jimmy” Hendricks**

### **Command Master Chief, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard**

Command Master Chief Jimmy Hendricks, a native of Saginaw, Michigan, entered the Navy in 1989 at Recruit Training Center, Orlando, FL. Upon completion of basic training, he attended Nuclear Field Machinist's Mate "A" School and Naval Nuclear Power School at NTC Orlando. He completed Nuclear Power Training Unit (Prototype Training) at Ballston Spa, NY.

His initial fleet assignment was to USS *ALBAQUERQUE* (SSN 706) homeported in Groton, CT. While assigned to Reactor Laboratories Division, he completed a Mediterranean Deployment and numerous training and proficiency runs. Following broken service from October 1995 to June 2000, he converted to Auxiliary Division and was assigned to USS *MIAMI* (SSN755) from September 2000 to November 2003. It was on this tour that he qualified Chief of the Watch, Diving Officer of the Watch, and was selected for Chief Petty Officer. He completed one Mediterranean Deployment, numerous training and proficiency runs, and a Depot Modernization Period at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, NH. Upon selection for CPO, he was assigned to USS *ALEXANDRIA* (SSN 757) as Auxiliary Division Leading Chief Petty Officer. The boat completed a historic around-the-world deployment in which the command transited from the Atlantic to Pacific via polar ice cap and completing the deployment via the Indian Ocean and Straits of Gibraltar. In early 2006 he was assigned to *TRIDENT TRAINING FACILITY*, Kings Bay, GA. As a facilitator for the firefighting trainer and flooding trainer, he also completed his Master Training Specialist certification and obtained an Associate's Degree in Marine Engineering from Coastline Community College. In 2009, he was assigned as 3M Coordinator for USS *ALASKA* (SSBN 732) (GOLD). Here he completed his Chief of the Boat qualifications. In 2012 he took orders as USS *WYOMING* (SSBN 742) (BLUE) Chief of the Boat. And from there he completed a second Chief of the Boat tour on USS *GEORGIA* (SSGN 728) (BLUE) from 2015 to 2017. In total, he completed one deployment to the Indian Ocean/Mediterranean and 6 strategic deterrent patrols while in the Kings Bay area. Selected for the Command Master Chief program in 2017, his follow-on tours include USFF CPO Training Team, and CMC of EMORY S. LAND (AS39) which was cut short medically. He relieved as PNS, Kittery, Maine Command Master Chief in June, 2020.

His personal awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (5 awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (3 awards), and numerous campaign and unit awards.