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U.S. Coast Guard History Program

Captain Beverly G. Kelley, USCG (Ret.)



Captain Beverly G. Kelley was raised in Miami, Florida. Following graduation from the University of Miami with a Bachelor's degree in mathematics, she enlisted in the United States Coast Guard in January, 1976 and attended Officer Candidate School in Yorktown, Virginia, from February to June, 1976. After graduating she received her commission as Ensign. During her distinguished 30-year career in the service of her country, she served in the following units:

- Marine Safety Office, Hampton Roads, June 1976-August 1977
- USCGC *Morgenthau* (WHEC-722), Alameda, California: Deck Watch Officer/Navigator/Weapons Officer, September 1977-March 1979
- USCGC *Cape Newagen* (WPB-95318), Maui, Hawaii, Commanding Officer, March 1979-July 1981
- 14th Coast Guard District (o), Honolulu, Hawaii, Operations Staff, Readiness Planning Officer, Assistant Branch Chief (or), August 1981-May 1983

- USCGC *Venturous* (WMEC-625), San Pedro, California, Operations Officer, May 1983-October 1986
- Pacific Area (Po), Alameda, California, Operations Center Supervisor/Pacific Fisheries Officer, October 1986-May 1989
- USCGC *Legare* (WMEC-912), Portsmouth, Virginia, Executive Officer, June 1989-July 1992
- Naval War College, College of Command and Staff, Newport, Rhode Island, August 1992-June 1993, Masters Degree awarded
- Commandant (G-CPA), Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C., Program Reviewer, August 1992-June 1993
- Industrial College of the Armed Forces, National Defense University, Washington, D.C., August 1995-June 1996, Masters Degree awarded
- USCGC *Northland* (WMEC-904), Portsmouth, Virginia, Commanding Officer, July 1996-July 1998
- Commandant (G-W), Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C., Executive Assistant to Assistant Commandant for Human Resources, August 1998-June 2000
- USCGC *Boutwell* (WHEC-719), Alameda, California, Commanding Officer, June 2000-June 2002
- Commandant (G-CI), Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C., Deputy Director, Coast Guard International Affairs, July 2002-May 2006

Captain Kelley earned a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island and a Master of Science degree in National Resource Management from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C.

Her military decorations include: three Meritorious Service Medals, three Coast Guard Commendation Medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon, two Joint Meritorious Unit Awards, two Coast Guard Unit Commendations, five Coast Guard Meritorious Unity Commendations, the Humanitarian Service Medal, and several other personal and unit awards.

She retired on 22 April 2006.

