

Biographical Data Form

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Veteran Civilian KATHERINE E. RATH RATH
maiden name

Place of Birth CHEROKEE, IOWA Birth Date 1950

Race/Ethnicity (optional) CAUCASIAN Male Female

Branch of Service or Wartime Activity U.S. NAVY (NURSE CORPS)

Commissioned Enlisted Drafted Service dates 1972 to 2000

Highest Rank CDR

Unit, Division, Battalion, Group, Ship, etc. (Do not abbreviate.) ATTACHED TO HOSPITAL COMMANDS THROUGHOUT ACTIVE DUTY.

War, operation, or conflict served in VIETNAM, AND DESERT STORM

Locations of military or civilian service ACTIVE DUTY AT BETHESDA, MARYLAND *

OAKLAND, CALIF. RESERVIST DUTY IN GREAT LAKES, ILL.,
JACKSONVILLE + MAYPORT
FLA., + SAN DIEGO,
CALIF.

Battles/campaigns (please name) VIETNAM, AND DESERT STORM
(REMAINED IN THE US)

Medals or special service awards. If so, please list (be as specific as possible): NATIONAL DEFENSE MEDAL, AND RESERVIST MEDAL.

Special duties/highlights/achievements ORTHOPEDIC NURSE X 6 MO. — REMAINDER OF CAREER I DID PSYCHIATRIC NURSING.

Was the veteran a prisoner of war? Yes No

Did the veteran or civilian sustain combat or service-related injuries? Yes No

Interviewer (if applicable) _____

(Please use reverse for any additional biographical information.)

Additional Service History Information

Branch of Service or Wartime Activity _____

Commissioned Enlisted Drafted Service dates _____ to _____

Highest Rank _____

Unit, Division, Battalion, Group, Ship, etc. (Do not abbreviate.) _____

War, operation, or conflict served in _____

Locations of military or civilian service _____

Battles/campaigns (please name) _____

Medals or special service awards. If so, please list (be as specific as possible): _____

Special duties/highlights/achievements _____

Was the veteran a prisoner of war? Yes No

Did the veteran or civilian sustain combat or service-related injuries? Yes No

Additional Biographical Information

I WAS COMMISSIONED AS AN ENSIGN IN THE NAVY NURSE CORPS UPON GRADUATION FROM FINLEY SCHOOL OF NURSING IN 1972. I ATTENDED "OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL" IN NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND, BEFORE REPORTING TO MY FIRST DUTY STATION — BETHESDA, MARYLAND.

AFTER COMPLETING 2 YRS. AT BETHESDA, I GOT OUT OF THE NAVY, BUT THEN RE-JOINED AS A RESERVIST LESS THAN A YEAR LATER. BETWEEN 1974 * 1990, I COMPLETED MY RESERVE OBLIGATIONS AT GREAT LAKES, ILL., JACKSONVILLE, FLA., MAYPORT, FLA., * SANDIEGO CA. WHILE COMPLETING MY ANNUAL RESERVE DUTY IN SANDIEGO IN AUG. OF 1990, I WAS RECALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY FOR DESERT STORM — STATIONED AT OAKLAND, CA.; BUT WORKING AT LETTERMAN ARMY MED. CENTER IN SAN FRANCISCO, CA. ELEVEN MO. LATER I WAS RELEASED FROM

ACTIVE DUTY, CONTINUED AS A DRILLING RESERVIST FOR 9 YRS., AND RETIRED IN 2000, AS A COMMANDER.