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Rear Admiral Garry E. Hall
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Rear Admiral Garry E. Hall enlisted in the Navy in 1971 and later attended the United States Naval Academy graduating in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marine Engineering. He earned his Masters of Business Administration from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in 1989.

Rear Admiral Hall served in Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadrons Light (HSL) 37 and 35, flying the SH-2F Sea Sprite and deploying aboard USS Rathburne (FF 1057), USS Cushing (DD 985) and USS Reasoner (FF 1063). He served as Air Boss and Executive Officer aboard USS Essex (LHD 2) with operations in Somalia, and as Executive Officer aboard USS Tarawa (LHA 1) operating in the Persian Gulf and the Horn of Africa.

He was the first Commanding Officer of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL) 51 in Atsugi, Japan, which won the Navy Battle "E" award. He also commanded Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL) 41, the west coast Fleet Replacement Squadron. His deep draft sea command was USS Tarawa (LHA 1). He deployed to the Middle East in 2000, Tarawa was involved in the rescue of USS Cole (DDG 67) following a terrorist attack in Yemen.

Ashore, Rear Admiral Hall was a Flight Instructor at the west coast SH-2F Fleet Replacement Squadron (HSL 31). He served as Aide De Camp to the Vice Director of Strategic Targeting at Offutt AFB, Neb., and following deep draft command he served as Executive Assistant to Commander, Naval Air Forces/Commander, Naval Air Force U.S. Pacific Fleet.

Rear Admiral Hall's first Flag Assignment was Deputy Director, J3, U.S. Central Command for Information Operations and Psychological Warfare during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. His next assignment was as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (N2), Operations (N3) and Exercises (N7) for Commander Allied Naval Forces North, NATO Headquarters Northwood U. K.

Rear Admiral Hall was assigned as Commander, Amphibious Group 2 on November 18, 2005. On December 31, 2006, Commander, Amphibious Group 2 evolved into Expeditionary Strike Group 2 and deployed as an operational staff. He served simultaneously as Commander Task Force 51, Commander Task Force 59, and Commander Task Force 158 leading the Coalition responsible for protection of Iraqi oil infrastructure and training the Iraq Naval Forces.

Rear Admiral Hall's personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Meritorious Service Medal (four awards) and Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal. In 1987 he was recognized as the Navy's Helicopter Pilot of the Year for sustained performance.

