

# Executive Director

## Mike Vos

June 1977 - Joined the Navy, Boot Camp in San Diego, then reported to NATTC Millington, TN for Advanced Avionics training. In August '78 - reported to RTD in Pax River for TACAMO In Flight Tech training and VQ-4 AT Shop and began flying. In 1982 - reported to VQ-4 W.C. 610 (the Vans) as liaison to AT Shop

May '83 - Left the Navy and began work at Motorola, maintaining machines that produced integrated circuits. In 1985, began working for Picker International and subsequently Philips Healthcare, servicing CT Scanners, MRI's and other radiology related medical equipment. Retired in 2013.

### TACAMO

August '95 - Attended CoC/reunion at NAS OKC, decided to find my lost shipmates and created TACAMO Survivors website, membership grew rapidly. In 1996 & 1997, attended Pax River reunions hosted by Bill "Buff" Crowell. I approached "Buff" with forming a Veterans Association around TACAMO Veterans, he agreed. At the reunion, Buff and I approached the reunion attendees with concept and the TACAMO Survivors Association, TSA was born. First Board of Directors- President Barry Coyle, VP "Buff" Crowell, Secretary Franklin Forrest, Secretary Lyn Zepic and Exec. Dir. Mike Vos. Concept, bylaws and goals discussed. After years of holding reunions in Pax River, Gary Foder held a reunion in October '05 in Memphis. I met Vern Lochausen, who was a walking talking

TACMAO Histoy. At that point, TSA gained a new member. In May '12 - TACAMO members were invited to attend a reunion at NAS OKC. At the reunion the TACAMO Hall of Fame established by Chucko Baker, Vern Lochausen & Buff Crowell. In September '12 - new (current) BoD established and renamed to TCVA, new bylaws created and 501c3 non-profit process initiated. Granted August 2014.

Cheryl and I currently live near South Point of the Big Island of Hawaii.

It has been my honor and privilege to serve with the fine sailors of TACAMO and now to help develop a community of both alumni and active duty sailors. Thanks for being a part of Cheryl's and my life. Aloha!