

TACAMO Hall of Fame – 2021

John S. “Fish” Pohl – TACAMO Sailor / Industry Partner

Service

- VQ-3 (1980 - 1983)
- NAVAIRSYSCOM (1983 -1986)
- Naval Training Support Unit (1988 - 1991)
- McDonnell Douglas (1992)
- L3 COMM (1993 – 2006)
- Sabre Systems (2007 – 2015)

Key Jobs

- VQ-3 Department Head during surge to continuous 24-hour airborne coverage
- NAVAIR APML/Class desk during initial Boeing-U.S. Navy E-6A flight test
- First OIC for E-6A NTSU – Waco, TX
- E-6A Training Manager – McDonnell Douglas
- L3 COMM Business Development for key TACAMO Programs, E-6B ABNCP and Block I modifications
- Training lead for NAVAIR PMA 271 (supporting contractor)

Leadership/Contributions

- AC/MC/AC-I/MC-E for EC-130Q and E-6A mission aircraft
- Powerhouse in the Ready Room; tremendous leadership and mentor for all JOs and squadron personnel
- As the first E-6A NTSU OIC, set the foundation for the future VQ-7 training squadron
- Directed all logistics elements for the Navy’s first E-6A Contractor Flight Crew Training System (CFCTS - McDonnell Douglas)
- Provided oversight for all CNATT training requirements for Internet Protocol Bandwidth Expansion (IPBE) and CRYPTO modification programs

Community Service

- Strong supporter of the U.S. Naval Academy Alumni Association
- Face of the Navy as the NTSU stood up in Waco, TX

Peer Recognition

- Stellar reputation in TACAMO and Naval aviation
- TCVA Board of Directors