

## **#2 | CDR JACK KEILTY | USN**

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Commander Jack Keilty is a native of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where he attended Mount Saint Mary Catholic High School, graduating in 2005. He attended the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, VA, where he lettered in Football and earned a bachelor's degree in History in 2010.

Upon graduation he was commissioned an Ensign in the United States Navy and reported to Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida, for Aviation Preflight Indoctrination (API). Jack was designated a Naval Aviator in December 2012 and then reported to Marine Fighter Attack Training Squadron 101 (VMFAT-101) aboard MCAS Miramar in San Diego, California, for initial training in the F/A-18C Hornet.

Upon completion in September 2014, he reported to the "Rampagers" of VFA-83 at NAS Oceana in Virginia Beach, Virginia, where he served as Landing Signals Officer (LSO), Scheduling Officer, Line Division Officer, and Avionics and Armament Division Officer.

In July 2016, he completed his first combat deployment aboard USS Harry S. Truman (CVN-75) flying in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. Jack then reported to the "Flying Eagles" of VFA-122 aboard NAS Lemoore, California, as an instructor pilot on the F/A-18E/F Super Hornet. During his tour at VFA-122 he served as Landing Signals Officer, Schedules Officer, and CAT Other Phase Head.

In March of 2020, Jack Reported to Carrier Air Wing 17 as Air Wing LSO and deployed in support of Operation Inherent Resolve, Freedoms Sentinel, and Octave Quartz. Upon completion of his CAG LSO tour Jack was selected as the recipient of the 2021 CDR John "Bug" Roach "LSO of the Year" award.

In April 2021 Jack joined the "Checkmates" of VFA-211 for his department head tour serving as Safety, Maintenance, and Operations Officer. During this tour he deployed in December 2021 to the Mediterranean in support of 6th Fleet Operations.

Jack joined the Blue Angels in September 2023. He has accumulated more than 2,700 flight hours and 484 carrier arrested landings. His decorations include a Strike Flight Air Medal, three Navy Commendation Medals, Two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and various other unit and personal awards.