



## Vice Admiral Nora W. Tyson

### Deputy Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command

A native of Memphis, Tenn., Vice Adm. Tyson graduated from Vanderbilt University and received her commission from Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I. She earned her wings as a naval flight officer in 1983 and reported to Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron (VQ) 4, where she ultimately served three tours at Naval Air Station (NAS)

Patuxent River, Md., and Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., including one as commanding officer.

Tyson also commanded the amphibious assault ship, USS *Bataan* (LHD 5), leading the Navy's contributions to disaster relief efforts on the U.S. Gulf Coast in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, and deploying twice to the Persian Gulf in support of Operation *Iraqi Freedom*. Her other commands include Commander, Task Force 73/Commander, Logistics Group Western Pacific based in Singapore and, most recently, Commander, Carrier Strike Group Two, where she led the USS *George H.W. Bush* Strike Group on its maiden deployment in support of operations in both 6th and 5th Fleet areas of responsibility.

Her other tours at sea include assistant operations officer aboard the training aircraft carrier, USS *Lexington* (AVT 16), and as navigator aboard USS *Enterprise* (CVN 65).

Her shore tours include service on the Joint Staff as a political-military planner in the Asia-Pacific Division of the Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate (J-5); as executive assistant for the Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; as director of staff for Commander, Naval Forces Europe/Commander, 6th Fleet; as executive assistant for the Chief of Naval Operations; and as vice director, Joint Staff.

Tyson reported as deputy commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, in July 2013.

Tyson earned a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Affairs from the U.S. Naval War College in 1995.