YNCM/SS Theodore L (Ted) Vorce

September 30, 1950 - September 20th, 2023

YNCM/SS Theodore L Vorce departed on Eternal Patrol on Sept 20th, 2023, having offered 30+ years of active-duty service and sacrifice to the United States Navy. His affinity for the Navy led Ted to in-retirement remain close to his fellow sailors. Ted's legacy of leadership continued in service to the military community, and he will be sorely missed in the years to come.





Although Master Chief Vorce performed superbly in a great many roles throughout his career, qualifying submarines onboard the USS Atlanta (SSN-712) in 1982 at the height of the Cold War clearly affected future choices. Ted rose through the ranks with ever-increasing positions of responsibility and command leadership, to the enlisted rank of YNCM (SS/SW/AW) during his naval career. His demeanor assured that Ted would find a new friend or ally everywhere he went. Additionally, as an active Life Member of the Hampton Roads Base of the United States Submarine Veterans Inc. (USSVI.org), Ted held the following positions of leadership.

Hampton Roads Base of the USSVI.org Base Junior Vice Commander:

YNCM(SS/SW/AW) Theodore Vorce 2015 thru 2017

Base Senior Vice Commander:

YNCM(SS/SW/AW) Theodore Vorce 2018

Base Commander:

YNCM(SS/SW/AW) Theodore Vorce 2018 thru 2023

Fairwinds and Following Seas: Leader, Shipmate, Friend...

We have the watch.