

Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class (SW/AW) David R. Krigbaum
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Mass Communication Specialist 1st (SW/AW) Class David R. Krigbaum was born in West Covina, Ca. and raised around naval installations in the United States and Spain. He joined the Navy in September 2001 as an Aviation Electronics Technician.

He graduated from Recruit Training Center Great Lakes, Ill. in Oct. 2001 and reported to Aviation Electronics Technician "A" school at Naval Air Technical Training Center Pensacola, Fl. After "A" school he attended Consolidated Automated Support System (CASS) Operator/Maintainer "C" school at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Ca.

Krigbaum reported to SEAOPDET Whidbey Island, Wa. in Dec. 2002. During this time he deployed aboard the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74).

In 2005 Krigbaum converted to the Illustrator-Draftsman rate and was stationed at U.S. Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, Va. While at USJFCOM he deployed as part of Task Force Ramadi to Camp Ar Ramadi, Iraq in 2008.

Post-rating merger he attended the Basic Combat Correspondent Course at the Defense Information School in Ft. George Mead, Md.

As a Mass Communication Specialist he has served at Defense Media Activity Diego Garcia, aboard the submarine tenders USS Frank Cable (AS 40) and USS Emory S. Land (AS 39), Naval Support Activity Bahrain and Navy Public Affairs Support Element East Detachment Europe in Naples, Italy.

Krigbaum's personal decorations include the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal (4) as well as various campaign and service ribbons.