

# United States Navy **BIOGRAPHY**

## Capt Nola Karen Strickland Nurse Corps

Captain Strickland is a native of Russell Kentucky, and attended King's Daughters' Hospital School of Nursing where she received a Diploma in Nursing. She completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the Medical College of Georgia and her Master's in nursing from The Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, Texas in 1981.

Captain Strickland was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Nurse Corps on 15 April 1989 in San Antonio, Texas. There she affiliated with the NR NH Corpus Christi 510, serving as Assistant Training Officer and Clinical instructor at Fort Sam Houston/Beach Pavilion Hospital. She completed Officer's Indoctrination Program in Pensacola, Florida in 1989.

In 1990 she transferred to the IRR to be with her husband in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. While in the Middle East she requested transfer to inactive Reserve status and was assigned to a Pittsburgh Primus Unit, NR FH CBTZ PO552A and served with Administrative Support Unit, ASU SWA BAHRAIN from 1992 to 1995.

While serving with ASU, she provided medical support to American troops stationed in Bahrain and those on ships in the Gulf. She also provided support to civilian dependents, US Embassy and government personnel.

Captain Strickland left Saudi Arabia in 1995 and was assigned to NR NAV HOSP CHASN 607 in Charlotte, North Carolina. She served as Training Officer from 1995 to 1996 and then as Administrative Officer from 1996-1997. In 1997 – 2000 she served as Executive Officer with this same unit under a new name of NR NAVHOSP Camp Lejeune.

In 2000 she was selected and served as OIC to NR NH Portsmouth Det E for a 2 year tour of duty in Roanoke, Virginia.

In 2002 she was selected and served as OIC of NR NHCL Det A for a 2 year tour of duty in Charlotte, North Carolina.

From 2007 to 2009 Captain Strickland served as the OIC of NR VTU 0704 in Charlotte, North Carolina. She retired on 26 July 2009 with 20 years of military service.

Captain Strickland's personal decorations include Navy and Marine Commendation medal, Navy and Marine Achievement medal, and other various service medals.

As a civilian, Captain Strickland has over 45 years of clinical experience. She is currently the Clinical Specialist (CNS) for West Jefferson Medical Associates. Prior to that she was an Instructor in Obstetrics and Medical - Surgical Nursing at Baptist Memorial Hospital in San Antonio, Texas. She is a member of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN), Navy Nurse Corps Association, Navy Reserve Association, MOAA, and Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honor Society. She is also a Notary Public in North Carolina.

Her certifications include: National Certification Corporation (NCC) Inpatient Obstetric Nursing, Basic Life Support Instructor (BLS), and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) American Heart Association.

