



Craig Allen Pennell

**Born: 6 May 1950
Bakersfield, California**

Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blue
Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Charles M. Pennell
Spouse: Shirley Hofland-Pennel
Siblings: Robert & Bonnie
Enlisted: 17 Feb. 1969, Los Angeles, California
Boot Camp: NTC San Diego, California
Rating: Seaman Apprentice

Craig came from a small foothill suburb called Castaic, about 30 miles north of Los Angeles. He joined the Navy on 17 February 1969 and went to boot camp in San Diego. After boot camp he was assigned to USS Frank E. Evans (DD 754) and reported on board 17 May 1969 in Subic Bay, Philippines . He married Shirley Hofland of Lancaster, California on 4 May while on leave from boot camp. He was assigned to 1st Division where he was becoming familiar with working on the deck force and sea duties. Craig was asleep in 1st Division at the time of the collision.