



ADAM ESCALONA

Adam Escalona was born in 1934 in the city of Cavite, a peninsula the size of Bremerton overlooking Manila Bay on the East and the island of Bataan and Corrigidor on the West, in the Philippine Islands. After high school graduation in Cavite in 1951, he went to FEATI University to pursue a career in aviation. After two years in aeronautical engineering, he enlisted in the US Navy. After basic training in NTC San Diego, he served on the USS Samuel N. Moore DD-747 homeported in Longbeach, making four deployments to the western pacific as a member of the Little Beaver Squadron 23 made famous by Admiral Arleigh Burke during the Pacific war.

In 1961, Adam reported to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, and met Marlene Francisco and they married on April 20, 1963. In 1965, he was transferred to the USS Kitty Hawk CVA-63 in overhaul at PSNS. He also served aboard the USS Ranger CVA-61 and the USS Enterprise CVN-65. In 1975, Adam was promoted to Senior Chief Petty Officer, attended a four week class at the Navy Resale Office in Brooklyn, NY, and then was transferred to NC in Oakland, California, where he was appointed to be Facilities Director at the Navy Commissary Store Regional Headquarters. He retired in November, 1978, after 20 years of service.

After a short six month retirement fishing, golfing and bowling , Adam was hired by Pan Am World Services at the Trident Submarine Base as a supply technician. He went back to his photography hobby at that time, and enrolled at Olympic College, taking photo classes and business management. He also took advantage of free travel from Pan Am, taking pictures and video and participating in a few competitions. Adam worked for Pan Am for 15 years, and after sustaining knee and back injuries, he fully retired in 1995.

In May of 2001 Adam joined the f:67 Camera Club. He combined leisure travel and photography. In November of that year he was selected as Print Director and served in that role for four years. Adam continues as the clubs Chairman for the NWCCC traveling print show and has assisted all Print Directors with the prints in the club's Annual Show each spring. Adam has participated in almost all of the print competitions and has consistently won awards in the club and Northwest Council of Camera Clubs competitions. His images of people, architecture and travel locations are always interesting and story-telling. Adam plans to continue traveling and has scheduled a tour of Argentina in September, 2008.

Adam has worked hard to help the f:67 Camera Club and its members since he joined in 2001. He has added so much to the quality of the activities and events of the club. His stand-up comedy routines at our annual shows are infamous. His advice on places around the world to visit and photograph is always valued by club members.