





Ronald Arthur Thibodeau

Born 26 Jan 1946, Manchester, NH

Parents Art & Blanche Thibodeau

Siblings Donald, Christine, Gary &

Diana

Education La Serna High School

Boot Camp NTC San Diego, CA

Rating Radarman 2nd Class

Spouse Lynn Ogilvie

Children Timothy Wendler

After graduating high school in Whittier, CA, Ron joined the Navy. It was 7 Jan 1966. First it was boot camp, and then RD "A" School at Treasure Island, then aboard USS FRANK E. EVANS (DD 754) on 16 Mar 1967, to the OI Division as a radarman in CIC. Ron loved card playing, especially Pinochle. He promoted rapidly to RD3, and married Lynn Olgivie. Ron had just been promoted to RD2 after leaving Long Beach on his second tour to Westpac and Vietnam. RD2 Thibodeau was on watch in CIC when the collision occurred.