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1900 April 6 Born, Jerome, Arizona, son of Lewis E. Robbins and Mae Belle Cook, stepson of George A. Miles
1917 Apprentice seaman, U.S. Navy
1918-1922 Midshipman, U.S. Naval Academy
1922-1927 Commissioned as Ensign and promoted to Lieutenant (Junior Grade), U.S. Asiatic Fleets
1927-1929 Post Graduate School, U.S. Naval Academy
1928 Promoted to Lieutenant
1929 M.S., Columbia University
1929-1932 Electrical officer, U.S.S. Saratoga
1932-1934 Member, Bureau of Engineering, Navy Department
1934-1939 Destroyer duty, U.S. Pacific and Asiatic Fleets
1937 Promoted to Lieutenant Commander
1939-1942 Member, Interior Control Board, Navy Department
1942 Promoted to Commander and Captain
1942-1943 U.S. Naval Observer, Chung King, China and Chief of OSS (Office of Strategic Services) for the Far East
1943-1945 Deputy Director, Sino-American Cooperative Organization (SACO)
1944-1945 Commander, U.S. Naval Group, China
1945 Appointed Rear Admiral, for temporary service
1946 Commanding Officer, U.S.S. Columbus
1947 Planning Officer, Staff of Commander Service Force, Atlantic Fleet
1948 Promoted to Rear Admiral
1948 Commander, Cruiser Division One
1949 Commander, Cruiser Division Six
1949 Commander, Cruiser Division Four
1950-1954 Director, Pan American Affairs and U.S. Naval Missions in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations and Senior
Naval Delegate to Inter-American Defense Board

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1954 Commandant, Fifteenth Naval District, Panama Canal Zone
1955 On-site Commander, Operation Friendship, flood relief program, Tampico, Mexico
1956 Commandant, Third Naval District, New York, and Commander, U.S. Naval Base, New York
1958 Promoted and retired as Vice Admiral
1961 March 25 Died
1967 Author (posthumously) *A Different Kind of War: The Little-Known Story of the Combined Guerilla Forces Created in China by the U.S. Navy and the Chinese during World War II*

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