

Maine South Distinguished Alumni

Brian Humm

Class of 1983

- Commodore, Submarine Squadron 19
- Commanding Officer, USS Ohio (SSGN 726)
- Commanding Officer, USS Buffalo (SSN 715)



After graduating from Maine South and the United States Naval Academy, Brian Humm served our country with 30 years of active military duty. His formative years in a variety of roles and locations within both the Atlantic & Pacific submarine fleets prepared him for his position as Commanding Officer of the USS Buffalo, a fast-attack submarine. The next assignment for Captain Humm was the Chief of Global Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance and Space Division for the United States Strategic Command. During his Naval Career, Brian served at sea 7 times including 3 advanced deterrent patrols. Beginning in 2011, he served as Commanding Officer of the USS Ohio, one of only 4 US guided-missile submarines. During his tour as Captain of the Ohio, Brian proudly guided the 160 member crew which included the first female officers aboard a submarine expected to be a lead unit in battle. “I was fortunate enough to be given command of the USS Buffalo and the USS Ohio...I am extremely proud that when I was in command of the Ohio we were one of the first ships to integrate women into the Submarine Force.”

Over the next two years ashore, Brian became a principal advisor to the Commander, Submarine Force Atlantic Fleet. He directed the scheduling and deployment of Atlantic Fleet Submarines to ensure that global commitments were met. Brian concluded his military career as the Commodore of Submarine Squadron 19 located in Bangor, Washington. Squadron 19 is responsible for manning, training, and equipping the submarine force’s most diverse inventory and mission sets including 7 nuclear powered submarines and 1500 sailors.

As Brian completed his Naval Service in 2017, Rear Admiral Roegge, said, “Suffice it to say, Brian was asked to perform at least one minor miracle every day, and let the record show that he has done just that.”

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