



United States Navy Biography

LCDR Michael J Monroig Chaplain Corps United States Navy

Lieutenant Commander Monroig grew up in Caguas, Puerto Rico. He enlisted in the Navy in September 1990 and reported to Recruit Training Command, Orlando, FL. Upon completion of basic training, he reported to Naval Training Center Orlando, FL., and completed Quartermaster “A” School in December 1990.

His enlisted assignments include USS ST. Louis (LKA 116) and USS Beaufort (ATS-002). Upon completion of his active duty time, he joined the U.S. Navy Reserve. His reserve assignments include tours in Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Orlando and NOSC Chattanooga.

He earned a Bachelor’s in Theology and a minor in Biblical Languages from Southern Adventist University and a Master’s in Divinity from Andrews University, Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. He received his commission through the Chaplain Corps, Chaplain Candidate Program in November 2002 and

superseded as Reserve Chaplain upon his ordination in July 2006. He then served as the staff chaplain for Commander Navy Region Southeast (CNRSE) and Marine Expeditionary Force Religious (MEFREL) Reserve Unit 208 out of NOSC Orlando. In 2008, he returned to indefinite active duty voluntarily. Chaplain Monroig has served as staff chaplain Naval Air Station Oceana from 2008-2011. He served as command chaplain at the following commands: USS Oak Hill (LSD-51) from 2011-2013, Combat Logistics Battalion 22, deploying with the 22 Marine Expeditionary Unit (22 MEU) and acting regimental chaplain from 2013-2016, Naval Beach Group 2 from 2016-2019, deputy director Chaplains Religious Enrichment Development Operation (CREDO) Mid-Atlantic from 2019-2022, Navy Support Facility Diego Garcia from 2022-2023, his current assignment is as Deputy Chaplain at Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek/Fort Story Chapel.



Lieutenant Commander Monroig’s personal awards include Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards), and various campaign and unit-level awards.

Chaplain Monroig and his wife Lily have been married for 26 years and have three children: Elisa (24), Ashley (20), and Christopher (16).