

Misty F1 Biography, Dean Echenberg



Name: Dean F. Echenberg

Nickname: "Doc"

Date of Birth: October 10, 1941

Highest Military Grade held: Captain, O-3

Home Town: San Francisco California

Education

1. Civilian:

Wayne State University, B.S, M.D.

University of California, Berkeley. M.P.H., Ph.D.

2. Military:

Flight Surgeon Course, School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks AFB TX

Tropical Medicine, Compression Chamber Tng, PACAF Jungle Survival

Units assigned (Dates – Unit - Aircraft, if applicable) :

1967 School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks AFB, TX

1968 Misty, 416TFS, 37th TFW, Phu Cat AB, RVN F-100

1969 38th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, HH-43B Pedro Rescue

1969 Dispensary Commander, 631st Combat Support Group Don Muang Royal Thai Air Force Base, Bangkok, Thailand.

Comments: Dean Echenberg traveled the world for a few years after Vietnam before coming home and setting up a Medical Practice in San Francisco. He then attended Cal Berkeley for a MPH and PhD in public health and worked as head of Infectious Disease Control in San Francisco during the height of the AIDS epidemic. (Obviously he could have done a better job.) He has also been involved in international health, heading up Project HOPE Europe, consulting in the Caucasus, the Balkans and more recently helping to deal with the results of the earthquake and tsunami in Indonesia. Currently, he lives at home in Tiburon CA and has become the happy bum he always meant to be.

Decorations:

Purple Heart x 1, Air Medals w/4 bronze oak leaf clusters, Republic of Viet Nam Service Medals....