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Michael “Mike” Katahara is a 3rd generation veteran of the U.S. Armed Services. His grandfather was a member of the 100th Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team, and his father was an officer on the USS Tiru (SS-416) during the Vietnam War. Mike was born and raised in Mililani, Hawaii, and joined the Navy immediately after graduating from the University of Colorado, Boulder with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering. As a career submariner, Mike served on four nuclear submarines in both Pearl Harbor, HI, and Kings Bay, GA. His final sea tour was as Commanding Officer of the USS West Virginia (SSBN 736) Blue crew. Shore tours have taken him and his family to Laurel, MD, Groton, CT, Stuttgart, GE, and Washington, DC, with the opportunity to obtain his M.S. in Electrical Engineering at Johns Hopkins University.

Since retiring from the Navy, Mike has been working as a consulting engineer in Old Town Alexandria.

Mike and his wife Loree have three children who have traveled the world and served our country as a Navy family. Mike and Loree currently reside in Great Falls, VA.