



### **Joe L. Jackson (AGR-14, 1964-65)**

One day while the Interpreter was in port, the steam line from the pier to the ship broke. A BM1, rather than going down the brow to the pier, jumped from the ship to the pier. The tide was low. In doing so, he missed his intended landing spot, thereby hitting the bollard on the pier with both legs. He was taken from the pier to the base hospital where it was determined that nothing was broken, but that he should stay off his feet for a few days. The XO determined that he should do this at home and detailed a

driver and an Ensign that had the duty to take the BM1 home.

Upon arriving at his house, the Ensign knocked on the door and when the BM1's wife opened the door he told her that her husband was in the car. Before he could finish, she explained, "You take that drunken son of a %&##\* back to the ship." The Ensign explained that he was not drunk but that he had been hurt. Her attitude changed immediately, and she helped unload him, loving on him the whole way.