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Mr. Ronald W. Vaughn

Dear Ron,

We have just returned home from travels and were pleased to find your letter of 3 July. It must have arrived just after we departed on our trip. Regret the delay in getting what information I can for you on locating Rear Admiral Langille III.

I have checked my latest resources, including the Register of Retired Flag Officers, and he is not listed therein. This does not mean necessarily that he is deceased. If a retired Flag Officer either does not desire to be listed in the register, or fails (through oversight, or intentionally) to return the reply notice inside each annual edition, then he will not be included in the subsequent issue. I checked my National War College Alumni Directory, and he must not have attended NWC, because they show "deceased" if that is the case.

From what Dr. John Langille told you, Rear Admiral Langille must still be living, since it would have been easier for Dr. Longille to simply tell you that he was deceased.

I have checked the Internet/AOL "White Pages" search directory ("Switchboard"), for "Justin Langille", and got zero hits for the 50 states.

I then searched for "John Langille", and got the enclosed nine hits. The second one you will note is "John D. Langille", in Fort Lauderdale, which I assume is the same as your Dr. John Langille. His note to you was signed with just the initials "JDL".

When I searched just the California database, and reduced the name to "J Langille" I got only the two enclosed hits, a "Jane H", and a "Joseph".

That pretty well exhausts the online directory searches. If he is not deceased, then he has an unlisted phone number, in which case he would not be in the directory. We have an unlisted number, and it (thank goodness) does not show in any of the directories, online, or off.

The final source you can try, Ron, is the "Navy World-Wide Locator", which was listed in the Fall 1995 edition of "Shift Colors", the newsletter for Navy retirees, that I finally unearthed! I quote:

"The Navy World-Wide Locator will forward letters to retired members of the Navy. For this assistance, send a letter in a stamped envelope with the name of the retired serviceman on the front and NO return address, to: Navy Reserve Personnel Center, 4400 Dauphin Street, New Orleans, LA 70149. (This article was compiled from information provided by the Naval Historical Center.)"

I hope this will be of some assistance, Ron. Rest assured that the Navy can get in touch with us for

official reasons, and do, quite promptly. But, they do try to protect the privacy of all retirees, which I appreciate, after being bothered by some unwanted con-artists. I think the above procedure is a reasonable compromise.

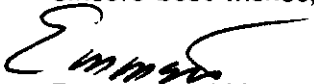
Thank you for your efforts to get in touch with one of our three COs of RBA that made Flag rank --- which promotions would never have been possible without the superb performance of each member of the crew, such as yourself. I know that Rear Admiral Langille would love to see the pictures you mentioned, and to know of the reunion schedules, even if he can not attend. Do keep trying.

It was indeed good to hear from you after these many years. The sonarmen of my period on board have formed a network for staying in touch. I had a fine letter from John Bedford (440 Railroad Ave., Pittsburg, CA 94565) with photos of our last RBA reunion in Annapolis, in 1996. I love their motto, "Ping Jockeys Don't Lose Contact." I know he would be delighted to hear from you, as one of the gang.

I have had to send our "regrets", in that we will not be able to attend the Baton Rouge reunion. Please let them all know that we will be there in thoughts and prayers for all who are there --- and for those who have made their last muster.

Congratulations on your own fine career. Twentynine years with Continental Airlines is a great achievement. Don't put off smelling the roses for too long, Ron.

Sincere best wishes,


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