

# Gene Wentz - Photos

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**James E. "Gene" Wentz, LCDR, USN  
Deputy OIC and News OIC, 1969-70**

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LCDR  
James E.  
"Gene"  
Wentz,  
USN  
in 2003

[Possibly an  
official  
photo.]

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The AFVN Radio Staff in 1969.

Back Row: JOC Larry Green, USN; SP5 Raymond Profeta, USA; LCDR Gene Wentz, USN, SP5 Pat Sajak, USA; TSgt Cal LaMartinere, USAF; SFC Clem Shamus, USA Front Row: Sp4 Paul Bottoms, USA; SP4 Michael Sherman, USA; SP5 Scott Manning, USA; SFC John Rehrauer, USA; SP5 David Esch, USA



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AFVN Awards Ceremony, February 1969 Left to Right:  
Capt Mel Polick, USAF; SGM Lloyd Eyre, USA (reading  
citation); CPT Randall Moody, USA; LTC Ray Nash, USA;  
SMSgt Amour Treadwell. USAF; LCDR Gene Wentz, USN

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AFVN Barbecue, November 1969

CPT Randall Moody, USA (back to camera); LTC Ray Nash, USA (behind Moody); BGEN Winant Sidle, USA (Chief of Staff, MACOI); LTCDR Gene Wentz, USN; Unknown Cook  
[Please write the Webmaster if you know who he is.]



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## Aerial view of the AFVN Main Station in Saigon.

The small building in the upper corner of the compound was the AFVN Snack Bar run by the Army/Air Force Exchange Service. I think that it was the only 24/7 snack bar in Saigon and therefore the military police loved to visit at night. The large building marked "Vietnamese TV Station" was the South Vietnamese Government's TV station.

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Another aerial view of the AFVN compound.

The pool marked on the right side of the photo was part of the "Hung Tap To #7" compound run by an intelligence agency.

No wonder Gene didn't know that it was there.



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Again, a view from the air.



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The windows on the right were the OIC's office.

Note: This was taken from the "road side" of the AFVN Studio.

[I don't think that I ever realized that there was an exit on this side of the building in spite of the fact that I worked only a few feet away for nearly a year. Jim White, Webmaster.]

Taken in April 1994.

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The former AFVN Saigon Main Studio seen from the Vietnamese Government TV side of the fence. Taken when Gene Wentz made a trip to Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) in April 1994.



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Aerial view of Saigon's Main Plaza.

The Rex Hotel (BOQ) is marked on the Plaza's immediate left while the Splendid BOQ is somewhat behind it.

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The U.S. Embassy as seen from the direction of the AFVN Saigon Station.



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The Presidential Palace, Republic of South Vietnam.  
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The U.S.  
Embassy

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The downtown Plaza as seen from the Rex Hotel.  
Taken in April 1994.

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The former Splendid BOQ.  
This is where most of the AFVN Officers lived.  
It really doesn't look so "splendid" today.

Taken in April 1994.



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