

MC2(SW/AW) David J. Cothran

Petty Officer 2nd Class David J. Cothran is a native of Guntersville, Ala. He enlisted in the United States Navy in July 2009.

Upon graduation from Recruit Training Command, he attended the Basic Mass Communication Specialist Course at the Defense Information School where he was nominated for the Bobby McRill Excellence Award and was recognized as an Honor Graduate. Following graduation, he reported to USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) in May 2010.

During Truman's 2010 deployment to the Arabian Gulf, he was promoted to the rank of Petty Officer 3rd Class on his first time up for advancement in November 2010. Petty Officer Cothran then advanced to Petty Officer 2nd Class in 2012, again on the first attempt. He is currently assigned as webmaster for All Hands Magazine at the Defense Media Activity.

His decorations include two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals and various personal awards.