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Rear Admiral S. F. Gallo was born in Brooklyn, New York, on 1 July 1936. He attended the New York State Maritime College and graduated in 1957 with a B.S. in Marine Engineering in addition to a Third Engineer's Merchant License in Steam and Diesels. Rear Admiral Gallo was commissioned an Ensign in the U.S. Navy in November 1958. His first assignment was aboard the USS ESTES (AGC-12) homeported in San Diego where he served as Main Propulsion Assistant until July 1960. He commenced flight training and was designated a naval aviator in October 1961.

After designation, Rear Admiral Gallo reported to Patrol Squadron TWENTY-THREE in Brunswick, Maine, serving there until 1965. He then reported to the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, where he received a degree in Aeronautical Engineering (AeE) in June 1968. His next assignment was as Communications Officer on the staff of Commander Carrier Division TWENTY, initially aboard USS ESSEX and later aboard USS INTREPID. After decommissioning of CARDIV TWENTY, he reported as Communications Officer to the staff of COMCARDIV FOURTEEN aboard USS WASP where he served until January 1971. He next reported to Patrol Squadron THIRTY for transition to the P-3 en route Patrol Squadron ELEVEN in Brunswick, Maine, where he served as Safety Officer and Operations Officer. In 1973, Rear Admiral Gallo attended the Naval War College. After training at Patrol Squadron THIRTY, Rear Admiral Gallo reported to Patrol Squadron TWENTY-FOUR as Executive Officer and subsequently Commanding Officer serving until December 1976. He then reported to the staff of Commander Patrol Wing FIVE as Operations Officer until February 1979. His next assignment was to OPNAV in Washington, D.C., as P-3 Program Coordinator until April 1980 when he became the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air Warfare) until June 1981. He was then ordered as Commander Patrol Wing ELEVEN from July 1981 to August 1982. Following his tour with PATWING ELEVEN, he served as the Executive Assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic; Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Command; and Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet until June 1985 when he was promoted to flag rank and assigned as Commander Patrol Wings, Atlantic in Brunswick, Maine. Rear Admiral Gallo assumed command of Fleet Air Mediterranean, Maritime Air Forces Mediterranean and Maritime Surveillance and Reconnaissance Force, U.S. Sixth Fleet (CTF-67) on 20 July 1987.

Rear Admiral Gallo is married to former Jo Ann Balch of Munsonville, New Hampshire. They reside in Naples, Italy, and have three children: Elizabeth, Anne, and Katherine. Rear Admiral Gallo has been awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (2), Air Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Vietnamese Service Medal, Philippine Presidential Unit Commendation, and the Vietnamese Civil Action Ribbon. Rear Admiral Gallo has also received the Federal Armed Forces Commendation Cross in Silver from the Federal Republic of Germany.