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# F4U-4

## Corsair Part 3



F4U-4  
Naval Reserve Training Unit



F4U-4B  
VF-113



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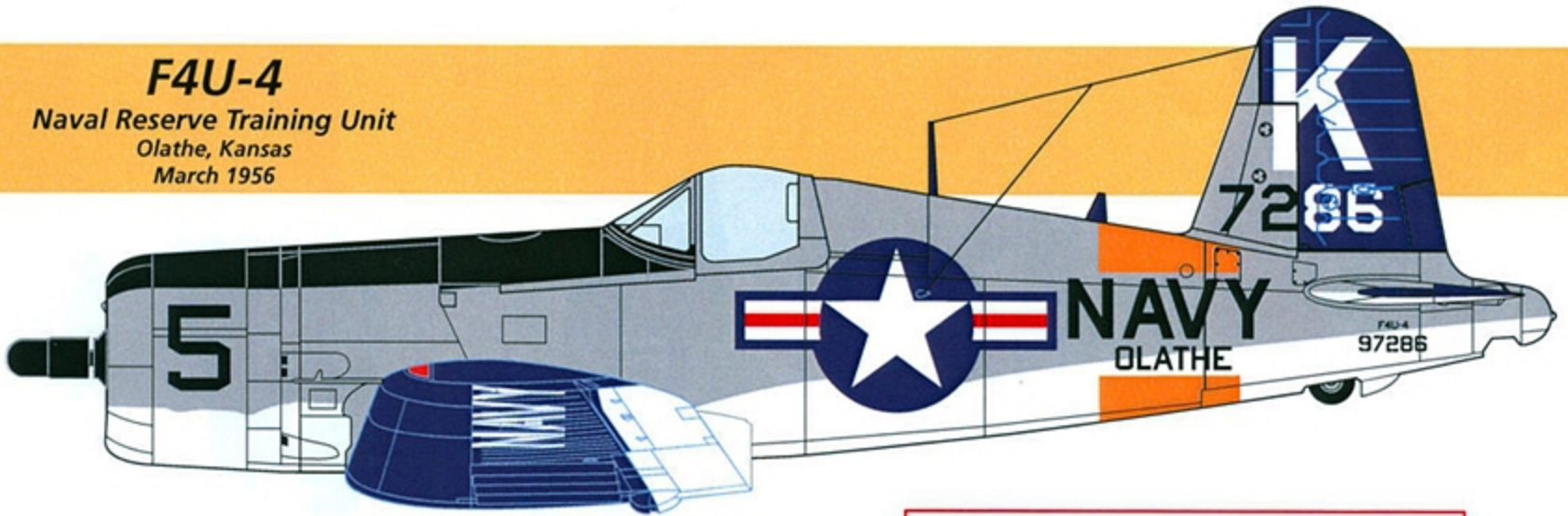
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Naval Reserve Training Unit  
Olathe, Kansas  
March 1956



7286 was painted Non-Specular Light Gull Gray (FS 36440) and Glossy Insignia White (FS 37880) with Glossy Sea Blue (FS 15042) trim.

## F4U-4B

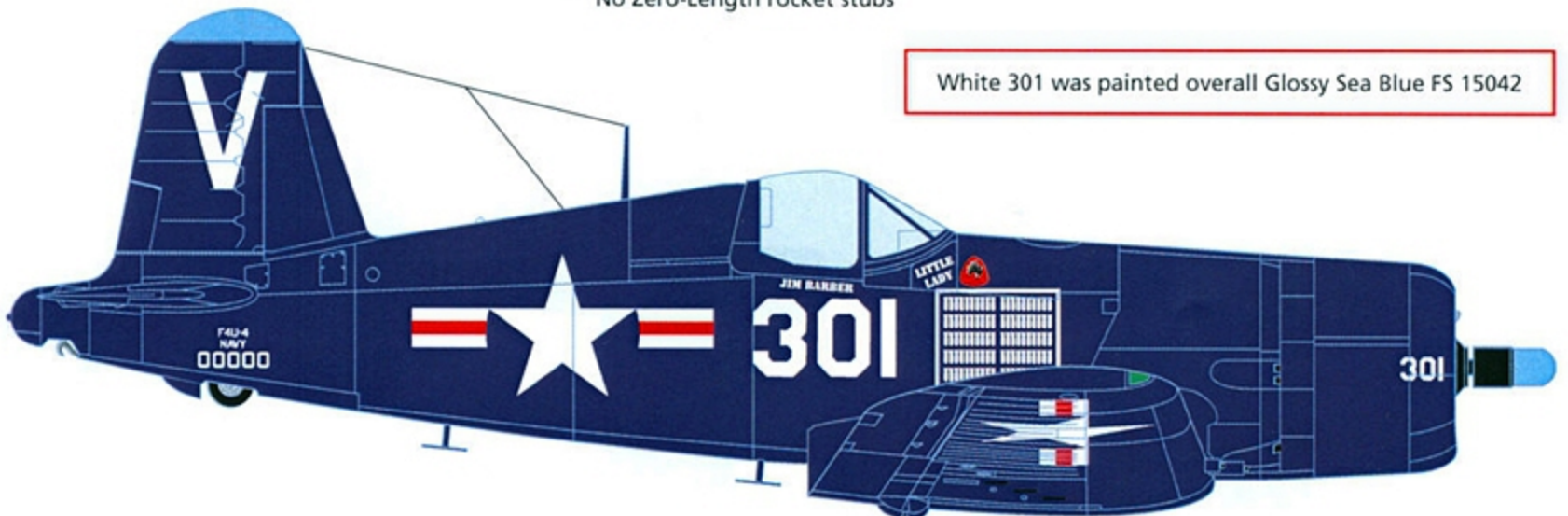
VF-113  
Commander John "Tex" O'Neill  
USS PRINCETON, 1950, off North Korea



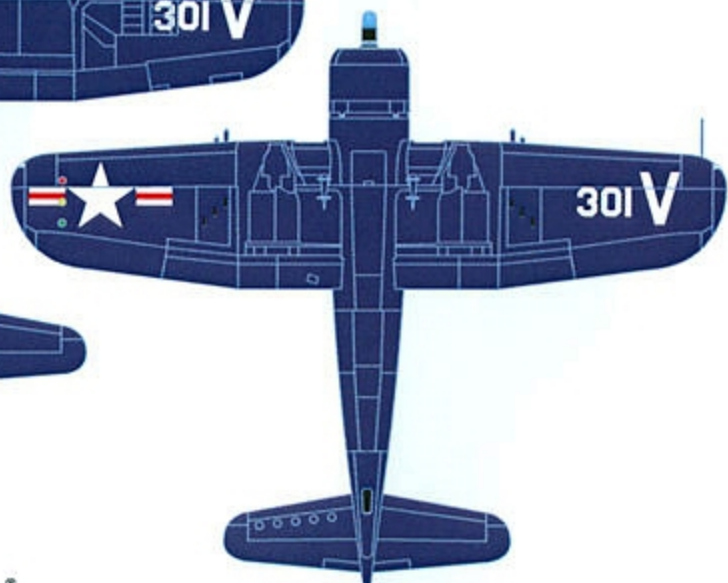
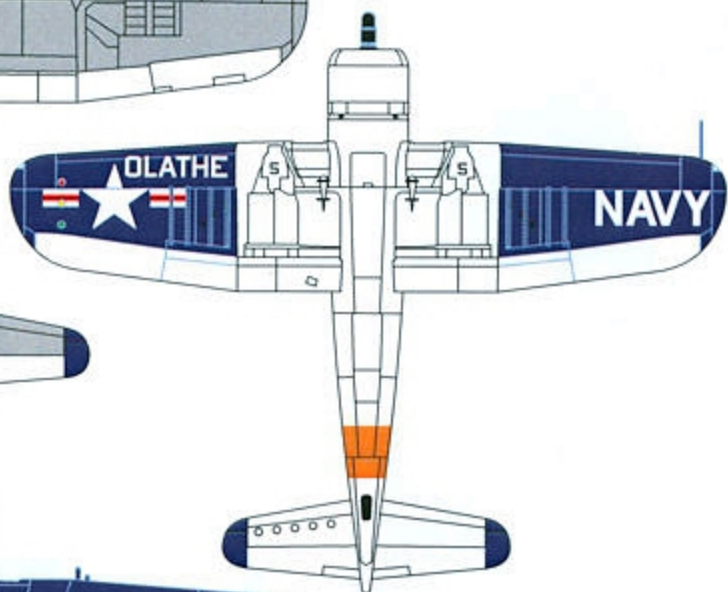
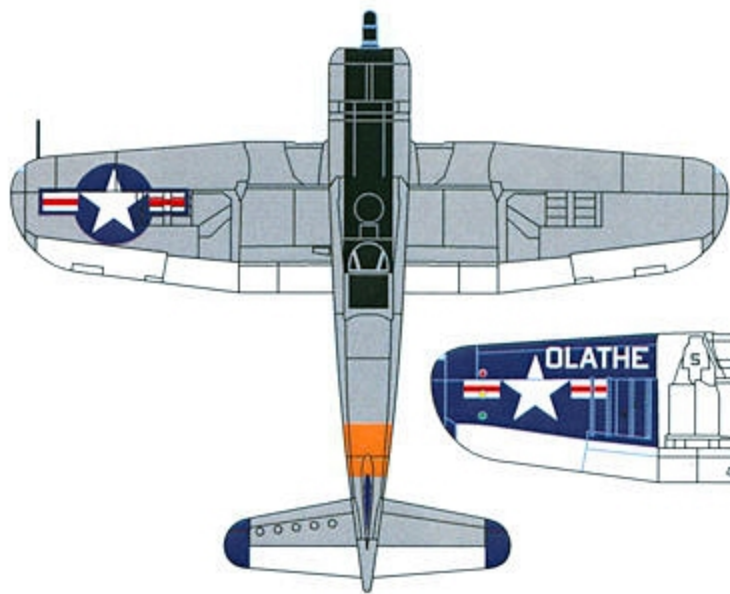
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No Zero-Length rocket stubs

White 301 was painted overall Glossy Sea Blue FS 15042







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## 7286

- There is a famous photo of this plane with spray painted boneyard accession numbers in the old blue-cover Aero Series book on the F4U. I saw that photo as a kid and have always wanted to do decals for the plane, but I was worried that it might have been an airframe composed of the best parts of several different airframes in preparation to going to, for example, a Central American air force. However, when we found a photo of this same aircraft in USNR service actually flying in this scheme and confirmed that it was a real scheme, it was a shoe-in for a Cutting Edge decals subject!
- The orange color on the decal sheet was the original color; this paint faded badly over time, so you may wish to weather the orange band. It would have been the full-strength, original color on the bottom of the plane, fading towards a more yellowish color near the top of the spine. Don't forget, however, that this was a Naval Reserve aircraft and was kept in quite good condition. Have fun!

## White 301

- White 301, as a F4U-4B, has two 20mm cannons in each wing instead of the usual three .50 cal guns in the F4U-4.
- The BuNo of this aircraft is not clear in the photos. We've supplied a full range of numerals for the time when the BuNo can be positively identified.

## Applying the Decals

You probably already know all this stuff, so feel free to use your regular process; however, if you're new to aftermarket decals, here goes:

- Generally, use the Microscale Finishing System. We don't recommend extremely strong decal solvents such as Solvaset.
- Your model must have a smooth, glossy surface, as decals won't adhere well to matte surfaces. Use gloss paints or your favorite clear gloss overspray over matte or semigloss paint.
- Cut each subject out without trimming off the slight excess film (this helps the decal film disappear when dry).
- Put the decal in warm water that has a drop or two of liquid dishwashing soap or photo-flo for 10 seconds.
- When the decal will slide off the backing paper without forcing it, apply it to the proper position on your model. Slide the backing paper out from underneath.
- Gently blot off excess water and smooth out bubbles under the decal surface. If you wish, carefully brush on a mild decal softener such as Micro-Sol.
- When all decals are completely dry, gently wash off all excess decal adhesive.
- Finally, overcoat your model with a good quality gloss coat, followed by your choice of matte or eggshell clear topcoat.

## FS 595 Color Cross Reference

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| FS 5042 | Pro Modeler 88-0041   |
| FS 6440 | Xtracolor X137, Modelmaster 1729/1730, Gunze Sangyo H315/325, Pro Modeler 88-0033, Polly Scale 505326 |
| FS 7875 | Any gloss white   |