VA-52 (Attack Squadron 52) was established in November, 1949. They were originally called VF-884 (Fighter Squadron 884) and used F4U-4 Corsair. When they were renamed VF-144 (Fighter Squadron 144) in 1953, they changed their aircraft to the F9F-5 Panther. They then changed to the AD-6/-7 when they were again renamed VA-52 in February, 1959. After they were renamed VA-52, they were deployed to the Vietnam War while they were flying the A-1H/J and A-6A/B. Then they were deployed to the Operation Southern Watch against Iraq after the A-6s retirement. This decal recreates the markings of their last sailing during their A-1 era on the U.S.S. Ticonderoga (CVA-14). You can choose from 300 or 302 for the Modex number. The fuselage stripe for 300 has multi-colored edges, which indicate that the aircraft is CAG. This multi-colored marking is painted on aircraft with a Modex ending in 00, in each squadron. This multi-color stripe consists of five to seven colors for each squadron. This is to express respect for the CAG and the CAG's name is also painted where the pilot's name would be.