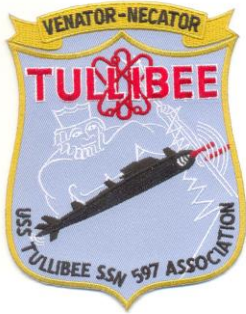




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## Commander's Corner

Hi shipmates!

I hope that all of you and your families are well. These are unprecedented times and no doubt very tough on all of us. Quarantining now is nothing like it was when we went to sea. Then, I had shipmates to talk to, play cards with, interact with. Today, I have my dogs. 😊 Hopefully, as we progress further into the summer, we will be able to break quarantine and get back to a somewhat normal way of life. In the meantime, stay safe. Follow protocol, social distance, sanitize, you know the drill. We will start planning for the 2021 reunion soon, and I am looking forward to seeing many of you there!

--Bill

## ARE WE REACHING OUT OUR SHIPMATES WHO ARE NOT IN MY DATABASE?

I am thankful that through email and our Facebook page that we can reach out to shipmates and include them in Tullibee events and memories. Unfortunately, we have only scratched the surface in locating our crewmates. Forward this newsletter to any shipmate you have in your contacts, email or social media. Not sure if they are already receiving it? I'm sure they wont mind getting an extra copy. 😊

## Eternal Patrol Listings and Updates

I have recently added several people to our Eternal Patrol list. I have received phone calls from widows and friends to report our shipmates on EP. Please look at the list in this newsletter. If a shipmate should be there and is not, please let me know so we can properly honor him. If you have the date of EP and a link to his obituary, we can make that a part of the boat's webpage.



## WEBSITE INFO

We recently discovered that our website, [www.usstullibee.org](http://www.usstullibee.org) and [www.ssn597.org](http://www.ssn597.org) (both addresses direct to the same site) was down. The reason for this was that, evidently, I failed to verify a page from the host. George Houk and his friend Jason Skipper got the situation resolved and it is up and running. We have updated the membership roster and I am working on the Eternal Patrol list. If a shipmate notices that he is not on the Association membership list, or if anyone notices a shipmate is not on the Eternal Patrol list but should be, please let me know.



## REUNION 2021

It's time that we start looking forward to the next Reunion of the Crew of the USS Tullibee SSN 597. Traditionally, we gather somewhere on the east coast every other reunion. The reason is obvious: it was our homeport and most of our Tullibee veterans live there. But, it is not set in stone. Our objective should be to have a location that affords the greatest number of our shipmates the opportunity to attend. If you have a suggestion for a reunion site, please let me know so we can start considering our next location. Once we determine a location, we can look at dates so we can start making plans.

## USS TULLIBEE SSN 597 ASSOCIATION

Are you a member of the USS Tullibee SSN 597 Association? Being a member is not essential in order to get newsletters, attend reunions, or enjoy the camaraderie of shipmates, but it does

help to maintain funds to ensure reunions and perpetuate the memory of the SSN 597 and those associated with her. If you are not a member, please consider joining.



### MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE AVAILABLE

The membership rates are below and are based upon the age of the member at the time the membership is purchased:

Age 65 and Over: \$50

Age 60-64: \$75

Age 50-59: \$100

Age 49 and under: \$150

Yearly dues are just \$10 per year.

----- Pride Runs Deep -----

# 4 more Theodore Roosevelt sailors with COVID-19 moved to hospital, 1 in ICU

J.D. Simkins (Navy Times 4/14/2020)

Four more sailors assigned to the aircraft carrier Theodore Roosevelt have been hospitalized in Guam, with one of the four taken to the intensive care unit “for increased observation due to shortness of breath,” Navy officials said Tuesday.

The sudden surge in hospitalizations comes one day after a sailor assigned to the 4,800-person ship died due to complications related to COVID-19, becoming the first active duty member to succumb from the virus.

Approximately 85 percent of Roosevelt’s crew has been evacuated from the carrier in the wake of a COVID-19 outbreak on board that sidelined the ship in Guam nearly three weeks ago.

On March 24 the Roosevelt first reported that three of its sailors had tested positive for COVID-19. The infected crew members were airlifted off of the ship as a precaution, but within one week confirmed cases in the ship’s tight quarters spiked to nearly 100.

Navy officials ordered the carrier to port in Guam just over two weeks after the Roosevelt visited Da Nang, Vietnam. The decision to continue as scheduled with the Vietnam port call was made at a time when the country had only 16 confirmed cases, all of which were reportedly confined to the northern city of Hanoi, Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Michael Gilday said.

Pierside, former commanding officer of the sidelined aircraft carrier, Capt. Brett Crozier, penned a letter pleading for urgent assistance from military leaders.

“We are not at war. Sailors do not need to die,” he wrote. “If we do not act now, we are failing to properly take care of our most trusted asset — our Sailors.”

Crozier was fired by former Acting Secretary of the Navy Thomas Modly within 48 hours of the captain’s letter being leaked to the San Francisco Chronicle.

Modly then resigned following his infamous speech — the audio of the speech was obtained by Military Times — onboard Roosevelt in which he told sailors that their commanding officer was either “too naïve or too stupid to be a commanding officer of a ship like this.”

As of Tuesday, 589 Roosevelt crew members have tested positive and moved into quarantine in Guam, Navy officials said.

The sailor who died Monday was initially discovered to be unresponsive on the morning of April 9 by other quarantined sailors. The individual passed away four days after being moved to an intensive care unit.

Speaking to reporters last week, Air Force Gen. John Hyten, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said that in addition to medical professionals checking on Roosevelt sailors twice a day, crew members continue to use a buddy system to monitor one another’s health.

“It’s not just waiting for the medical folks to come out every 12 hours. They’ve got buddies that are around all the time,” Hyten said.

Concern has spread throughout the fleet, meanwhile, that similar outbreaks could be festering in the close confines of other ships.

Hyten told reporters that “it’s not a good idea to think that the Teddy Roosevelt is a one-of-a-kind issue. To think that it will never happen again is not a good way to plan.”

Along with the Roosevelt, at least one sailor each from the aircraft carriers Ronald Reagan, Nimitz, and Carl Vinson have tested positive for the coronavirus.

As a precaution, Navy officials ordered the Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group, which just completed a deployment to U.S. 5th and 6th Fleet areas of operation, to remain at sea in an effort to keep sailors protected from exposure to COVID-19.

“After completing a successful deployment we would love nothing more than to be reunited with our friends and families,” said Rear Adm. Andrew Loiselle, commander of Carrier Strike Group 8.

“We recognize that these are unique circumstances and the responsible thing to do is to ensure we are able to answer our nation’s call while ensuring the health and safety of our Sailors.”

## Veterans groups step up efforts to help with coronavirus financial challenges and isolation

Leo Shane III (Navy TIMES 4-14-2020)



As veterans across the country cope with the ongoing effects of the coronavirus outbreak, veterans organizations are scrambling to find ways to help.

On Tuesday, officials from [Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America](#) announced an expansion of their Quick Reaction Force program, designed to connect veterans with local resources who can answer

benefits questions, job issues and other challenges. The move was originally planned for later this summer, but the coronavirus crisis moved those plans up.

“We saw a big increase in use in the first quarter, and we imagine that need is going to continue to rise,” said Sean Ullman, chief development officer for IAVA. “Right now our biggest issues are job loss and navigating benefits, related to coronavirus.”

Similarly, this week officials from the [American Legion](#) reconfigured their Buddy Check program launched last year to refocus on the current pandemic. Local posts are being tasked with outreach to veterans throughout their communities, to ensure individuals are healthy and still connected despite illness-mandated isolation.

“Legionnaires are using the phone, email and social media to safely find out how these veterans are doing and what we can do to help them,” American Legion National Commander James W. “Bill” Oxford said in a statement.

“They might need something from the store or pharmacy. Sometimes, for a veteran who is alone and on orders to stay home, the most important thing is a phone call.”

Other groups have adopted a direct financial assistance approach to the current crisis. Last week, officials from [Wounded Warrior Project](#) announced they will award grants up to \$1,000 for groceries, rent payments, and other essential expenses to injured veterans hurt by the ongoing pandemic. Individuals must be members of the group to apply for the money.

On Monday, officials from [Disabled American Veterans](#) followed suit, offering \$250 grants to struggling veterans. Any veteran with a service-connected disability can apply for the assistance, through the group’s web site.

The [PenFed Foundation](#) has announced its own \$1,500 grant for active-duty service members, Guard and Reserve troops, and veterans. Priority for that program will be families who have lost their primary income in the last few weeks. Officials at [Semper Fi Fund](#) have been providing gift cards and food baskets to military families in addition to direct financial aid.

Various state agencies have also begun their own outreach programs. Late last month, the [Minnesota State Legislature](#) approved special funding for veterans hurt by business closings and employment changes due to coronavirus. The \$1,000 one-time emergency payments are available to state residents who are veterans or a surviving spouse of a deceased veteran.

Indiana has expanded its rules for the state’s [Military Family Relief Fund](#), which is normally open only to veterans who served during war time. In light of recent events, the program is now open to all veterans affected by the virus’ impact, and veterans who previously received financial assistance may be able to get additional funds.

And the [New York City Veterans Alliance](#) has been providing direct assistance to veterans and families in NYC since mid-March, thanks to direct funding from the New York State Health Foundation. But Ullman said sometimes the best help assistance veterans can receive is assistance navigating already existing benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

VA officials have said that benefits payments will continue as normal through the pandemic response, and by direction of the White House the department has extended a host of deadlines for submitting and revising claims.

To mitigate the need to visit department offices, VA has waived the need for ink signatures on documents and promised relaxed rules for submitting some paperwork.

Veterans can review those changes and other benefits adjustments at [the VA web site](#).

# US Navy: New fast-attack submarine commissioned



[zoom](#) Photo: US Navy

The US Navy has commissioned its newest fast-attack submarine, USS Delaware (SSN 791).

Built at Huntington Ingalls Industries' Newport News Shipbuilding and delivered to the navy in October 2019, Delaware is the 18th Virginia-class attack submarine.

Although the traditional public commissioning ceremony was canceled for public health safety and due to restrictions on large public gatherings, the US Navy commissioned USS Delaware administratively on April 4 and transitioned the ship to normal operations.

*"The U.S. Navy ... will look for a future opportunity to commemorate this special event,"* Vice Adm. Daryl Caudle, commander, Submarine Forces, said.

Delaware's commanding officer, Cmdr. Matthew Horton, said today marks the culmination of six years of hard work by the men and women who constructed the submarine and are preparing her to become a warship.

This is the first time in nearly 100 years the name Delaware has been used for a US Navy vessel. It is the seventh US Navy ship, and first submarine, to bear the name of the state of Delaware.

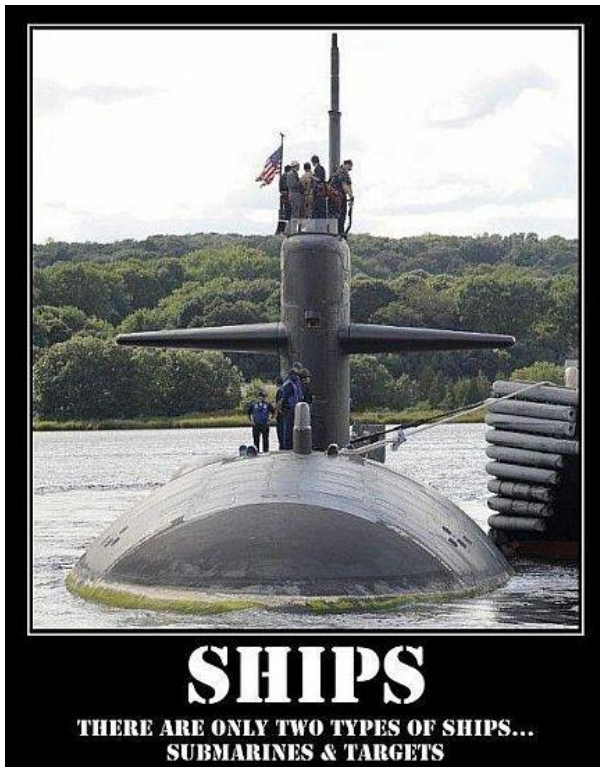
Delaware is a flexible, multi-mission platform designed to carry out the seven core competencies of the submarine force — anti-submarine warfare; anti-surface warfare; delivery of special operations forces; strike warfare; irregular warfare; intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; and mine warfare.

The submarine is 377 feet long, has a 34-foot beam, and will be able to dive to depths greater than 800 feet and operate at speeds in excess of 25 knots submerged. It will operate for over 30 years without ever refueling.

Delaware's keel was laid April 30, 2016, and was christened during a ceremony in October 2018.

It is the final Block III Virginia-class submarine, before the next wave of Block IV deliveries.

(<https://navaltoday.com/2020/04/07/us-navy-new-fast-attack-submarine-commissioned/>)



## Submarines Lost/Damaged During the Month of April

USS S 49 (SS 160) 20 April 1926. Four men lost.

USS Pickerel (SS-177) 3 April 1943. All hands lost (74).

USS Gudgeon (SS-211) 18 April 1944. All hands lost (80).

USS Grenadier (SS-210) 22 April 1943. 61 were taken prisoner, 57 survived the war.

USS Snook (SS-279) 8 April 1945. All hands lost (84).

USS THRESHER (SSN 593) 10 Apr 1963. All hands lost (129) including 22 shipyard workers.

USS BONEFISH (SS 582) 24 Apr 1988. Three personnel lost.

### USS THRESHER (SSN 593) April 10, 1963 – All Hands Lost - 129

The second Thresher (SSN-593) was laid down on 28 May 1958 by the Portsmouth (N.H.) Naval Shipyard; launched on 9 July 1960; sponsored by Mrs. Frederick B. Warder; and commissioned on 3 August 1961, Comdr. Dean W. Axene in command.

Following trials the nuclear attack submarine took part in Nuclear submarine Exercise (NUSUBEX) 3-61 off the northeastern coast of the United States from 18 to 24 September.

On 18 October; the submarine headed south along the east coast. After calling at San Juan, Puerto Rico, she conducted further trials and test-fired her torpedo system before returning to Portsmouth on 29 November. The ship remained in port through the end of the year and spent the first two months of 1962 evaluating her sonar system and her Submarine Rocket (SUBROC) system. In March, the submarine participated in NUSUBEX 2-62, an exercise designed to improve the tactical capabilities of nuclear submarines, and in antisubmarine warfare training with Task Group ALPHA.

Off Charleston, the ship undertook operations observed by the Naval Antisubmarine Warfare Council, before she returned briefly to New England waters from whence she proceeded to Florida for SUBROC tests. However, while mooring at Port Canaveral, the submarine was accidentally struck by a tug which damaged one of her ballast tanks. After repairs at Groton, Conn., by the Electric Boat Company, the ship returned south for more tests and trials off Key West. Thresher then returned northward and remained in dockyard hands through the early spring of 1963.

In company with Skylark (ASR-20), Thresher put to sea on 10 April 1963 for deep-diving exercises. In addition to her 16 officers and 96 enlisted men, the submarine carried 17 civilian technicians to observe her performance during the deepdiving tests.

Fifteen minutes after reaching her assigned test depth, the submarine communicated with Skylark by underwater telephone, apprising the submarine rescue ship of difficulties. Garbled transmissions indicated that--far below the surface--things were going wrong. Suddenly, listeners in Skylark heard a noise "like air rushing into an air tank"--then, silence.

Efforts to reestablish contact with Thresher failed and a search group was formed in an attempt to locate the submarine.

Rescue ship Recovery (ASR-43) subsequently recovered bits of debris, including gloves and bits of internal insulation. Photographs taken by bathyscaph Trieste proved that the submarine had broken up, taking all hands on board to their deaths in 5,500 of water, some 220 miles east of Boston. Thresher was officially declared lost in April 1963.

Subsequently, a Court of Inquiry was convened and, after studying pictures and other data, opined that the loss of Thresher was in all probability due to a casting, piping, or welding failure that flooded the engine room with water. This water probably caused electrical failures that automatically shutdown the nuclear reactor, causing an initial power loss and the eventual loss of the boat.

Thresher is in six major sections on the ocean floor, with the majority in a single debris field about 400 yards square. The major sections are the sail, sonar dome, bow section, engineering spaces, operations spaces, and the tail section.

Owing to the pressurized-water nuclear reactor in the engine room, deep ocean radiological monitoring operations were conducted in August 1983 and August 1986. The site had been previously monitored in 1965 and 1977 and none of the samples obtained showed any evidence of release of radioactivity from the reactor fuel elements. Fission products were not detected above concentrations typical of worldwide background levels in sediment, water, or marine life samples.



## Submarines Lost During the Month of May

[USS Squalus \(SS-192\)](#) **23-May-1939**. 26 men lost with 33 rescued.

[USS Lagarto \(SS-371\)](#) **4-May-1945**. All hands lost (88).

USS STICKLEBACK (SS 415) **30-May-1958**. No loss of life.

USS SCORPION (SSN 589) **22-May-1968**. All hands lost (99).

### *USS LAGARTO (SS 371) May 3, 1945 - 86 Men Lost*

LAGARTO, under CDR F.D. Latta, departed Subic Bay, Philippine Islands, on April 12, 1945, for her second patrol in the South China Sea. On April 27, she was directed to the outer part of Siam Gulf.

LAGARTO contacted BAYA, already patrolling in Siam Gulf on May 2, 1945, and exchanged calls with her by SJ radar. Later that day BAYA sent LAGARTO a contact report on a convoy she had contacted consisting of one tanker, one auxiliary and two destroyers. LAGARTO soon reported being in contact with the convoy, and began coming in for an attack with BAYA. However, the enemy escorts were equipped with 10cm radar, and detected BAYA and drove her off with gunfire, whereupon the two submarines decided to wait and plan a subsequent attack.



Early on the morning of May 3, 1945, LAGARTO and BAYA made a rendezvous and discussed plans. LAGARTO was to dive on the convoy's track to make a contact at 1400, while BAYA was to be ten to fifteen miles further along the track. During the day, numerous contact reports were exchanged. At 0010 on May 4, after a prolonged but unsuccessful attack, BAYA was finally driven off by the alert escorts, and no further contact was ever made with LAGARTO.



Japanese information available now records an attack on a U.S. submarine made by the minelayer HATSUTAKA, believed to be one of the two radar-equipped escorts of the convoy attacked. The attack was made in about 30 fathoms of water, and in view of the information presented above, the attack here described must be presumed to be the one which sank LAGARTO.

This vessel's first patrol was in the Nansei Shoto chain as part of an anti-picket-boat sweep made by submarines to aid Admiral Halsey's Task Force 38 in getting carrier planes to Japan undetected. She sank the Japanese submarine RO-49 on February 24, 1945, and participated in several surface gun attacks with HADDOCK and SENNET. Two small vessels were sunk and two more damaged in those attacks, and LAGARTO shared credit for the results with these submarines. Commander Latta had previously made seven patrols as Commanding Officer of NARWHAL. Every patrol made by this officer was designated successful for the award of combat insignia, a record surpassed by no commanding officer in the Submarine Force.

## Submarines Lost/Damaged During the Month of June

**USS O-9 (SS-70)** 20-Jun-1941. 34 men lost.

**USS S-27 (SS-132)** 19-Jun-1942. No loss of crew.

**USS R-12 (SS-89)** 12-Jun-1943. 6 survivors 42 crewmen lost (42).

**USS Herring (SS-233)** 1-Jun-1944. All hands lost (80).

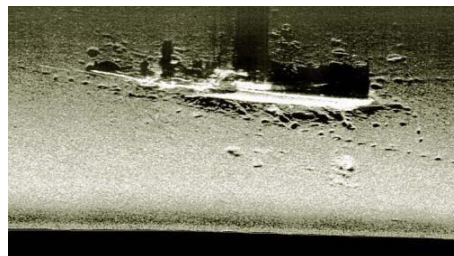
**USS Golet (SS-361)** 14-Jun-1944. All hands lost (82).

**USS Bonefish (SS-223)** 18-Jun-1945. All hands lost (86).

### USS O-9 (SS-70) June 20, 1941 – 34 Men Lost



The keel for USS O-9 (SS-70) was laid at the Fore River Shipbuilding Co., in Quincy, MA on 15 February 1917. She was christened on 27 January, 1918 and commissioned just 6 months later, on 27 July, 1918. After performing coastal patrols for several months, she departed for a Great Britain, in order to conduct her first WWI war patrol. However the end of the war came before O-9 reached Europe. She performed training duties and travelled as far as the Panama Canal before being decommissioned on 25 June, 1931. With World War II looming on the horizon, the U.S. Navy began a massive construction program. The 12 submarines of the Tambor-class were already nearing completion, and 73 Gato-class boats had been already been ordered, when O-9 was recommissioned on 14 April, 1941. O-9 and her sisters were returned to service in order to provide training platforms for a submarine force that was certain to grow by leaps and bounds. In all, nine O-class boats were recommissioned to serve as training submarines (O-1 through O-10, except for O-5, which had been sunk after a collision in 1923.) O-9, in particular, required extensive work, and still suffered mechanical problems even after being returned to service. On the morning of 20 June, 1941, O-9 and two of her sisters, O-6 (SS-67) and O-10 (SS-71) left as a group from the submarine base in New London, CT for the submarine test depth diving area east of the Isle of Shoals. Upon reaching their designated training area, O-6 made the first dive, followed by O-10. Finally, at 8:37, O-9 began her dive and slid beneath the surface of the Atlantic. By 10:32 O-9 had still not re-appeared, and the Navy began to fear the worst. That evening, their fears were confirmed when pieces of debris with the markings of the O-9 were recovered. With a water depth of 450 feet, O-9 was thought to be crushed, since her hull was only designed to withstand depths of around 200 feet. Rescue operations were discontinued on 22 June, 1941, just two days later. O-9 was never located. Thirty three officers and crew were lost. No survivors. On September 20, 1997 O-9 was finally located. Salem, NH based L-3 Klein Associates (then known as Klein Sonar Co.) provided a vessel and sonar equipment which were used to discover O-9's final resting place. With their kind permission, I have included graphics from their web site and placed copies of some of their sonar scans here. Many more sonar scans are available at the L-3 Klein Associates web page.



This image is a 500 kHz sonar scan, which clearly shows the submarine (shadows are light, hard targets are dark). The bow is to the right with the stern to the left. It appears that the hull is crushed from just abaft the conning tower all the way to the stern. However, the forward hull appears intact: (Graphic File Copyright 1997 L-3 Klein Associates (formerly Klein Sonar Co.) - All Rights Reserved) (Used with permission - 229K JPG File) There are no plans to salvage the O-9. Her exact location is a closely guarded secret, and the area has been designated an official Naval burial ground. Based on the information available on the O-9's poor material condition, as well as the condition of the wreckage, it is this author's opinion that the O-9 probably suffered an accident very different from most others researched here. O-9 probably began to flood somewhere forward of the engine room. The hatch between the engine room and the rest of the submarine was secured immediately upon discovery of the flooding. However, this flooding resulted in O-9 being pulled below her crush depth, and the engine room section, which had remained watertight, was crushed. The forward section filled with water and thus fell to the ocean floor intact, still attached to the flattened engine room section.

## Honoring Our Members on Eternal Patrol

*At present, we have listed 166 former USS  
Tullibee (SSN 597) sailors on Eternal patrol:*

Acaín, Emmanuel  
Ackerman, William H.  
Adams, Michael 1/1/72  
Adams, Rockwood F. 12/12/00  
Adler, Leonard, 3/1/11  
Alford, Zeb D. 8/4/09  
Angelo, Jr., Michael 6/29/17  
Ash, James R. 9/29/99  
Bible, George 9/1/12  
Bickford, Lewie M. 3/10/13  
Birk, George A.  
Bogges, Layne Forrest 10/6/08  
Bracy, Timothy Ford 12/19/14  
Bradley, Richard  
Bratley, Melton 7/9/08  
Brigham, Paul 4/8/06  
Broderick, Thomas Powell 12/16/12  
Brown, Rowland 8/12/12  
Bugarin, Ely Manglicmot 12/1/87  
Bullough, Bruce 4/28/03  
Bunting, Charles M. 3/13/17  
Chumney, Larry Joe 8/23/13  
Clark, Mark William 10/10/18  
Cloke, Paul R. 7/2/07  
Compton, Gregory Steven 12/14/09  
Conley, Steve 8/11/19  
Coons, Bard S. 12/27/2006  
Corcoran, William 7/17/18  
Cozad, Duane Everett 12/27/15  
Cremin, Raymond J. 1/23/05  
Davis, Webster C. 7/20/00  
DeNicola, Vincent J. 2/12/07  
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Dizdul, Mike 3/1/86  
Dodson, G. Carol 12/7/07  
Dollison, Larry L. 7/19/01  
Donnell, Richard Stover 7/10/15  
Eck, William S. 2/21/07  
Eldridge, Peter L. 6/26/13



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Fisher, Daniel Hough 5/20/11  
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Forsythe, James Perry 5/6/11  
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Gainley, Henry F. 12/19/17  
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Gilbert, Clyde 1/14/15  
Gladd, Adrian D. 9/12/99  
Griffiths, Rodney D. 8/7/10  
Grove, David  
Hager, Danny 7/8/18  
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Hall, Gareld Edward 5/20/09  
Hammond, Larry R. 10/15/12  
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Harvey, John W. 4/10/63  
Hinkle, David R. 4/27/09  
Hogeland, Gary H. 5/18/15  
Holstrom, Anton 7/29/19  
Hudson, Dennis 01/2011  
Huffaker, Douglas Dean  
Ingraham, Collin 5/16/17  
Ingram, Grover 9/27/12  
Irvin, Dennis L. 5/7/99  
Jamison, Hugh  
Jeffcoat, A. Bruce 7/29/07  
Jortberg, Richard E.  
Kalata, Emil R.  
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Neiswonger, James W. 12/24/10  
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VanNostrand, Carl 1/29/17  
Vincente, Jose 3/19/11  
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Weaver, John 8/11/13  
Weisensee, William J. 8/11/18  
Whitcomb III, Allison H. 5/11/10  
Whitcomb, Robert  
Wigley, Lawrence S. 9/25/13  
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Wolf, Brent 12/21/09  
Wood, Richard 4/19/88  
Yates, Paul David 12/16/14  
Young, John

*There is a port of no return, where ships  
May lie at anchor for a little space.  
And then, some starless night, the cable slips,  
Leaving only an eddy at the mooring place...  
Gulls, veer no longer,  
Sailor rest your oar.  
No tangled wreckage will be washed ashore.*

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