



# PLANK OWNER'S *Certificate*

TO ALL SAILORS AND AVIATORS, WHEREVER YE MAY BE...  
GREETINGS; KNOW YE BY THESE PRESENTS THAT...

GARDELLA, Paul Richard Jr. MME3c  
WAS A MEMBER OF THE ORIGINAL CREW WHICH COMMISSIONED THE USS  
MATANIKAU, AND IS THEREFORE ENTITLED TO ALL THE RIGHTS & PRIVILEGES  
OF A PLANK OWNER ON SAID SHIP, INCLUDING A CLEAR AND UNENCUMBERED  
TITLE TO ONE PLANK IN THE FLIGHT DECK.

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## USS MATANIKAU

JUN 24 1944

DATE OF COMMISSIONING

*W. L. Edmann*  
CAPT. U.S. NAVY, COMMANDING