



*Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet*

## *USS CORVINA (SS 226)*

### *November 16, 1943 - 82 Men Lost*

Venturing into enemy waters for her first time, CORVINA (Cmdr. R.S. Rooney) departed from Pearl Harbor on 4 November 1943. After topping off with fuel at Johnston Island she proceeded to an area south of Truk, there to attack enemy naval forces during our surface operations in the Gilbert Islands. She was to patrol as close to Truk as enemy antisubmarine measures would permit. On 14 December, she was to pass to command of Commander Task Force Seventy-Two and proceed to an eastern Australian port for refit and duty in SubSoWestPac.



When the major surface force operations in the Gilberts were finished, CORVINA was directed by dispatch on 30 November to pass to command of Commander Task Force Seventy-Two, despite her failure to acknowledge. She was directed to proceed to Tulagi and rendezvous with a surface escort, but she did not appear. Again transmissions directing answer were repeatedly sent, but were not fruitful. Since she had not appeared or been heard from since her departure from Johnston Island on 6 November, CORVINA was reported as presumed lost on 23 December 1943.

Enemy records indicate that CORVINA met her doom on 16 November 1943, by enemy action. An enemy submarine reported having sighted a surfaced submarine and torpedoed her. Three torpedoes were fired and two were reported to have hit, causing "a great explosion sound."

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*Sailors Lost On USS CORVINA (SS-226) 11-16-1943*

Allison, D. QM3  
Asher, J. M. II MM3  
Atwood, J. D. ENS  
Baran, S. S1  
Beaudette, L. W. CQMA  
Britt, H. N. F1  
Brooks, R. A. STM1  
Busby, M. J. QM2  
Busch, W. R. FC3  
Chewning, W. M. LT  
Clark, J. G., Jr. SC2  
Curtiss, G. R. MM3  
Dalton, E. A. SC1  
Daugherty, G. W., Jr. AS  
EK, J. R. S2  
Emerick, J. W. EM1  
Ennis, R. "E", Jr. MM1  
Fahey, J. M. F1  
Finske, R. W. RM3  
Fiorot, E. B. TM3  
Floyd, R. L. S1  
Foster, E. L. CMOMM  
Foster, N. B. RM3  
Gabel, G. F. EM3  
Ghent, C. C., Jr. MOMM1  
Green, D. L., Jr. CRMA  
Grisham, S. E. CTM  
Hale, B. D. CMOMM  
Hall, D. K. MOMM2  
Halpin, J. E. EM3  
Hasty, A. W. S1  
Havrilecz, M. MOMM1  
Hazel, L. P. S1  
Hemphill, W. P., Jr. RM1  
Hotz, F. D. SM2  
Jackson, E. CK2  
Jones, E. E. MM3  
Jordan, C. F., Jr. EM3  
Lense, L. N. ENS  
Lloyd, R. D. TM2  
Loken, W. E. MOMM2  
Madison, G. O. MOMM2  
Maier, M. I. F1  
Maloney, T. J. TM3  
Manning, J. R. S1

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Mautner, M. PHM1  
[Meizlik, M. H. GM3](#)  
Micha, M. F. MOMM1  
Miller, V. A. EM1  
McHolland, F. O. MOMM2  
Murphy, D. F., Jr. S2  
Nesbitt, H. L. EM1  
Ocumpaugh, E., IV LT  
Oliver, P. C. TM3  
Osburn, R. W. EM3  
Pitarys, S. J. COX  
Reardon, R. J. F2  
Redman, J. L. MM3  
Roak, J. B. LT  
Robb, A. F. TM1  
Roberts, M. H. Y1  
Rooney, R. S. CDR  
Rosta, J. TM3  
Ryder, E.M. RT2  
Schladensky, P. EM3  
Schless, L. L. EM1  
Schuldt, G. M. S1  
Schulz, W. K. TM1  
Simunaci, F. W. MOMM1  
Slagle, W. R. S1  
Sloan, D. K., Jr. LT  
Smith, B. F. CEMA  
Smith, J. D. LTJG  
St. Aubin, R. J. GM2  
Sumners, R. E. TM1  
Thoben, F. A. SC3  
Thomas, J. L. RM3  
Toms, T. MOMM1  
Trojan, C. A. TM2  
Wade, L. R., Jr. MM3  
Williams, B. E. MOMM2  
Wood, E. E. CEMA