

TANK LANDING SHIP USS FREDERICK LST-1184

> October 5, 2002 Pearl Harbor, HI



THE COMMISSIONING PENNANT

The commissioning pennant is the distinct symbol of a man-ofwar. The moment the commissioning pennant is broken at the masthead, a ship becomes a Navy command in her own right, and takes her place alongside the other active ships of the fleet. It is said that during the first of three 17th-century Anglo-Dutch naval wars (1652-54), the Dutch Admiral Maarten Tromp put a broom at his masthead after defeating his enemy, symbolizing he had swept the English from the sea. When the positions reversed the following year, the British Admiral Robert Blake hoisted a long streamer from his masthead to show that he had whipped his adversary. Thus, the narrow "coachwhip" pennant has been adopted by all nations as the distinctive mark of a ship of war.



The Insignia

The insignia of USS FREDERICK is composed of distinguishable symbols of the sea, the amphibious fleet, and the sponsoring city and county. The Danforth anchor has symbolized the LST ship since its origin because of its use as a stem anchor during beaching operations. It is included in our insignia to signify the LST mission. The parted waves present a nautical theme and illustrate the bow wake caused by the shape of the hull. The eagle encircled by a partial circle of stars is the seal of the city of Frederick, Maryland. Diagonally opposite the eagle are the framed "Clustered Spires" of the city. The remainder of the crest is a portion of the coat of arms of Frederick Calvert, Sixth Lord of Baltimore. This design is also part of the Maryland State Seal and the Maryland State Flag.



Rear Admiral ROBERT T. CONWAY JR.

Commander, Naval Surface Group,

Middle Pacific

RADM Conway was born in Wilkes-Barre, PA, on 1 July 1950. He graduated from St. Francis College Loretto, PA. in 1972, with a bachelor of arts degree and was commissioned an Ensign through Officer Candidate School the same year.

RADM Conway's sea duty assignments commenced on board USS VESOLE (DD 878), where he served as Main Propulsion Assistant and Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer. Subsequent sea duty tours included: USS TOWERS (DDG 9), Chief Engineer; USS BAINBRIDGE (CGN 25), Combat Systems Officer; and Executive Officer of USS GRIDLEY (CG 21), RADM Conway served as Chief Staff Officer for Commander, Destroyer Squadron SEVENTEEN and on the staff of Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet Propulsion Examination Board, where he served as a senior examiner for steam propulsion. RADM Conway commanded USS JOHN YOUNG (DD) 973) from April 1992 to January 1994. During his command tour, USS JOHN YOUNG was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation for Operation Desert Storm and the Battle Efficiency "E". RADM Conway's most recent sea duty assignment was as Commander, Destroyer Squadron SEVEN from January 1996 to July 1997. During this command tour he deployed as the "Sea Combat Commander" for the CONSTELLATION Battle Group in the Western Pacific and Arabian Gulf.

Duties ashore included Naval Facility Cape Hatteras (SOUSS), where he qualified as one of the first Oceanographic Research Watch Officers; Officer Candidate School, Newport, RI, as a tactics instructor and educational curriculum/programs officer; Deputy Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force Pacific, as the senior test director for the Tomahawk Cruise Missile Project; Head, Surface Commander Assignment Branch, Bureau of Naval Personnel (PERS 410) and Deputy to Assistant Chief of Naval Operations for Distribution (PERS 4), Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, DC; Chief, Simulations and Analysis Management Division, J-8 directorate, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, DC; Director, Surface Officer Distribution, Bureau of Naval Personnel (PERS 41), Millington, TN.

RADM Conway received his master's degree in education from Providence College, Providence, RI, in May 1979. Additionally he graduated from National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces in May 1990.

Personal decorations include Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), and various service medals and unit awards.

RADM Conway is married to the former Carole Daubert of Wilkes-Barre, PA. The Conways have two grown children; Robert III and Kerry Ann.



Rear Admiral JOHN P. DEBBOUT

Deputy Commander, Naval Reserve Forces

Command

Rear Admiral Debbout is a native of Green Bay, Wisconsin. He attended Indiana University, earning his Bachelor of Science Degree in 1972, and later achieved his Masters of Business Administration Degree from Golden Gate University. He entered the United States Navy and received his commission in 1975.

His sea tours include division officer assignments USS MACDONOUGH (DDG 39); Operations Officer onboard USS JULIUS A. FURER (FFG 6); OPS/Plans Officer on the staff of Commander, Destroyer Squadron Six; Executive Officer, USS OLIVER HAZARD PERRY (FFG 7); Commanding Officer, USS ESTOCIN (FFG 15); and Commander, Destroyer Squadron SIX.

Shore tours include assignments as Commander, Naval Surface Reserve Force, on the staff of Chief of Naval Operations as Deputy Director of the Naval Reserve; Commander Naval Surface Reserve Force as the Chief of Staff: the staff of Chief of Naval Operations as the Division Director for Surface Programs Management Division (OP-0953); in the Bureau of Naval Personnel where he served as the Surface Training and Administration (TAR) Placement and Detailing Officer (PERS-4417C); duty as the Manpower, Personnel and Training Officer for Commander, Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region Six in Washington, DC; duty as the TAR Officer Community Manager (OP-130R), and Surface Programs Action Officer on the staff of the Director of Naval Reserve (OP-095). In addition, Rear Admiral Debbout was the Commanding Officer of Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center, Green Bay, Wisconsin, with additional duties as Commanding Officer, Naval Reserve Centers, Oshkosh and Sheboygan, Wisconsin. His present assignment is Deputy Commander, Naval Reserve Forces Command.

Rear Admiral Debbout's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit(four awards), Meritorious Service Medal(two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal(five awards), the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal(two awards), the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and other service and campaign awards.



Brigadier General _{SERRY} C. MCABEE

Commanding General Marine Corps

Base, Hawaii

Brigadier General McAbee graduated from Jacksonville State University in Alabama in 1970 where he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, U. S. Marine Corps through the Platoon Leaders Course.

After completing The Basic School and the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, he was assigned to the 4th Battalion, 10th Marines in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina where he served as a forward observer, fire direction officer, battery executive officer, assistant battalion operations officer, and headquarters battery commander.

In July 1973, he was transferred to Alameda, California, for duty as the Executive Officer of the Marine Detachment aboard the USS Ranger (CVA-61). After completing this tour in October 1974, he was transferred to Parris Island, South Carolina, where he served in 2d Recruit Training Battalion as a series commander, company commander, and as S-4/headquarters company commander.

During 1978 he was transferred to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he completed the Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course. In October 1978, he was transferred to Twentynine Palms, California, where he served as the Commanding Officer of 4th 155mm Howitzer Battery (Self Propelled) and S-3, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines.

During academic year 1981 - 1982, he attended the Marine Corps Command and Staff College at Quantico, Virginia, and was subsequently assigned to Casablanca, Morocco, where he served as Commanding Officer, Company B, Marine Security Guard Battalion from July 1982 - July 1984. In August 1984, he was assigned to an air/ground exchange tour with the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in Okinawa, Japan, where he served as the Wing Training Officer, Assistant Plans Officer, and Plans Officer.

From July 1985 to July 1988, he was assigned as Operations Officer, Assistant Chief of Staff G-3, 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade in Twentynine Palms, California. After attending the National War College during academic year 1988-1989, he was assigned to U. S. Central Command where he served as Chief of the Ground Operation Branch of the Current Division during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm, and subsequently as Deputy Chief of the Exercise Division, both of the Operations Directorate.

From June 1992 to April 1994, he commanded the 11th Marine Regiment at Camp Pendleton, California, and from December 1992 to March 1993, he was assigned as the Commander 1st Marine Division while the Commanding General was deployed to Somalia for Operation Restore Hope.

From June 1994 to May 1997, he was assigned as the Chief of Staff, Marine Corps Combat Development Command at Quantico, Virginia. From June 1997 to May 1998, he was assigned as the Chief of Staff, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendelton, California. From June 1998 to July 1999, he was assigned as the Chief of Staff, Marine Forces Pacific. From July 1999 to June 2001 he served as the Chief of Staff, United States Southern Command, Miami, Florida.

Brigadier General McAbee's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit with three Gold Stars, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with Gold Star, Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Brigadier General McAbee is currently serving as the Commanding General Marine Corps Base Hawaii/Deputy Commanding General III Marine Expeditionary Force Hawaii.



<u>Commander Brian T. Smith</u> Commanding Officer USS Frederick



Commander Smith is a native of Mount Holly, North Carolina. While serving as an enlisted Marine, he received a Reserve Officer Training Corps scholarship to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he received his Bachelor's of Arts in History.

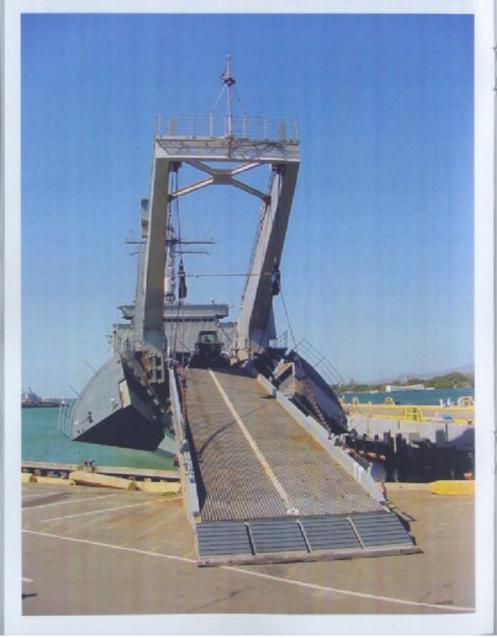
Upon commissioning, he completed junior officer tours at Naval Security Group Activity Philippines, aboard USS DARTER (SS 576) where he qualified in submarines and aboard USS CURTS (FFG 38) during Operation DESERT STORM. Following a tour as a Combat Systems Instructor at Fleet Combat Training Center Pacific, he served as Operations Officer aboard USS RENTZ (FFG 46), Combat Systems Officer with Commander, Destroyer Squadron THIRTEEN, and Future Operations Officer with Commander, U.S. THIRD Fleet. During his tour at THIRD Fleet he completed his Master of Arts in Management through the University of Redlands.

Commander Smith next served as Executive Officer aboard USS GARY (FFG 51), then as Operations Officer aboard USS ESSEX (LHD 2) which included a Hull Swap with USS BELLEAU WOOD (LHA 3).

Prior to taking command of USS FREDERICK (LST 1184), he was Commanding Officer of Naval Reserve Center Watertown New York.

His personal awards include the Bronze Star (with combat distinguishing device), Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (three awards) and Combat Action Ribbon, as well as various campaign and service ribbons.

LAST OF THE CLASS



Tank Landing Ship Frederick

LST-1184



The USS FREDERICK is the second ship of the fleet to honor the city of Frederick, Maryland. A city and a county in Maryland, Frederick is located in the west central portion of the state, near the Potomac and Monacacy Rivers. It was first settled by the Germans and was named in honor of Frederick Calvert, Sixth Lord Baltimore, Proprietor of the Colony of Maryland.

The city of Frederick has featured significantly in American history. In 1755, it was the staging point for General Braddock's disastrous expedition against the French at Fort Duquesne. During the Revolution, the city was an active center for the patriotic cause. Held alternately by the Union and Confederate forces during the civil war, the city became famous through John Greenleaf Whittier's poem, "Barbara Frietchie."

The first USS FREDERICK, Armored Craiser 8, had a length of 503 feet, a beam of 69 feet, and a displacement of 13,680 tons. She was armed with eight, six and three inch guns, had two 18 inch torpedo tubes, and a design speed of 22 knots. She served in World War I on patrol duty in the South Atlantic, and was placed out of commission on February 14, 1922.

The Tank Landing Ship Frederick was built at National Steel and Shipbuilding Company in San Diego, California. Her keel was laid on April 13, 1968. Launched on March 8, 1969 she was commissioned on April 11, 1970 at Long Beach Naval Shipyard, California. FREDERICK is the sixth of the Newport class of fast Tank Landing Ships and represents a complete departure from the previous concept of Amphibious Tank Landing Ships. The traditional bow doors, which have characterized LST construction since the first vessels of this type were built during World War II, have been replaced by a 40-ton bow ramp supported by two distinctive derrick arms. The conventional flat bottom hull was redesigned to include a destroyer-type bow enabling Frederick to attain speeds in excess of 20 knots. This feature enables her to operate with modern high-speed Amphibious Forces.

Upon commissioning, FREDERICK was homeported in San Diego, CA. FREDERICK has made over thirteen major deployments to the Western Pacific and Far East. She participated in the Vietnam Withdrawal Operation in 1970, the South Vietnam Refugee Evacuation of 1974, and deployed in support of Operation DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM. FREDERICK also conducted Operation SEA ANGEL, Humanitarian Assistance to Bangladesh, and in 1994, she deployed to Somalia in support of Operation RESTORE HOPE.

In January 1995, FREDERICK transferred to the Naval Reserve Force (NRF) and then she changed homeports to Pearl Harbor, HI in November 1995, FREDERICK is the only Amphibious and NRF ship in Pearl Harbor. Today, FREDERICK conducts bilateral exercises with South East Asian Navies and is on standby to conduct humanitarian assistance and disaster relief missions throughout the Pacific.



THE REPORT OF THE PARTY OF THE

Arrival of Official Party

Parade the Colors

National Anthem

Post the Colors

Invocation

LCDR Cynthia K. Bye, USN, Staff Chaplain Commander Navy Region, Hawaii

Welcome and Introduction

Commander Brian T. Smith, USN Commanding Officer

Principal Speakers

Mr. Milan M. Gunjak President of the U.S. LST Association

Brigadier General Jerry C. McAbee Commanding General Marine Corps Base Hawaii

Rear Admiral John P. Debbout Deputy Commander, Naval Reserve Forces Command

Rear Admiral Robert T. Conway Commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific Commanding Officer Remarks

Debarking the Ship
Officers and crew of the USS FREDERICK

Decommissioning

Lowering the National Ensign, Union Jack and Commissioning pennant

Presentation of the Commission Pennant CMDCM(SW) David Pennington, USNR

Benediction

LCDR Cynthia K. Bye, USN, Staff Chaplain Commander Navy Region, Hawaii

Navy Hymn

Reception

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13 APR 68	Keel was laid at National Steel and Shipbuilding Company at San Diego, CA.	18 JUN 87	Deployed for six months to Western Pacific. Participated in Exercise VALIANT BLITZ/ VALIANT USHER '88.
11 APR 70	Commissioning Ceremony was held at Long Beach Naval Shipyard, CA.	01 FEB 88	Participated in Exercise KERNAL BLITZ '88-1.
15 SEP 70	Deployed for three months to the Western Pacific as a part of the Vietnam withdrawal operations.	08 OCT 88	Participated in Exercise KERNAL USHER '89-1.
30 MAR 71	Deployed for two months to the Western Pacific with PHIBRON ONE embarked under COMSEVENTHFLT operational command.	12 JAN 89	Deployed for five months to the Western Pacific. Participated in Exercises VALIANT USHER and TEAM SPIRIT '89.
30 JUL 71	Deployed for six months to the Western Pacific with Det "B" of UDT 12.	28 AUG 89	Participated in Law Enforcement and Drug Operations with U.S. Coast Guard.
03 APR 72	Deployed to Pearl Harbor, HI for two months to transport Marines for participation in PHIBLEX 3-72.	01 DEC 90	Deployed to the Persian Gulf in support of Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM.
05 MAR 73	Deployed to the Western Pacific for seven months to conduct Operations PAGASA I and II.	22 JAN 91	Participated in Exercise SEA SOLDIER IV in preparation for Operation DESERT STORM.
19 NOV 74	Deployed to the Western Pacific for seven months and participated in Operation FREQUENT WIND, the South Vietnamese refugee evacuation.	15 MAY 91	Participated in Operation SEA ANGEL providing humanitarian assistance in Bangladesh.
13 APR 76	Deployed to the Western Pacific for eight months.	07 JUL 92	Participated in Exercise TANDEM THRUST '92.
08 MAR 77	Participated in Operation VERSATILE EAGLE.	01 JAN 94	Deployed to the Western Pacific for six months accompanied by 2nd Battalion 5 Marine Division.
05 JUL 77	Participated in Operation OPPORTUNE LIFT in Enewetak Atoll.		Battalion 5 Marine Division.
02 FEB 78	Participated in Operation READIEX 2-78 with over thirty other ships.	20 FEB 94	Participated in Operation RESTORE HOPE in Mogadishu, Somalia.
	Deployed for seven months to the Western Pacific with Amphibious Squadron Three embarked.	17 APR 94	Participated in Exercise RED REEF V in the Arabian Gulf.
		15 JAN 95	Transferred to the Naval Reserve Force.
04 MAR 80	Participated in PHIBLEX/MAULEX 1-80 with 1st Force Service Support Group, USMC.	28 MAR 95	Participated in Exercise KERNAL BLITZ.
23 MAY 80	Deployed for six months to the Western Pacific. Participated in Operation ZAMEX 1980, PHIBLEX/MAULEX 7-1-80.	14 NOV 95	Changed homeports to Pearl Harbor, HI.
		14 MAY 97	Deployed for six months to Western Pacific for CARAT '97.
12 JAN 81	Participated in CNO Project 251, testing of the Tomahawk Cruise Missile.	21 OCT 97	Participated in Exercise VALIANT MARK with 3rd Marine Battalion of
28 SEP 81	Participated in Exercise KERNAL USHER 3-81 with other units of Amphibious Squadron One.	02 FFFF 00	Kaneohe, HI and the Royal Singapore Navy.
12 NOV 81	Deployed to Western Pacific with Amphibious Squadron One embarked.	02 FEB 98	Participated in Exercise PHIBTRAEX '98 with Third Marine Regiment of Kaneohe, HI.
22 MAR 83	Participated in Exercise KERNAL USHER '83 with other ships of Amphibious Squadron One.	21 FEB 99	Rescued 12 people stranded off the coast of Kawaihae, HI.
Amp		01 JUN 99	Deployed to Western Pacific for five months and participated in CARAT 99 and CROCODILE '99.
04 MAY 83	Deployed for six months to the Western Pacific. Participated in Exercise VALIANT BLITZ '83. Participated in Exercise COBRA GOLD '83.	28 MAR 01	99 and CROCODILE '99, Deployed to the Western Pacific for six months and participated in Exercises COBRA GOLD '01 in Thailand and BALIKATAN '01 in the Philippines.
22 JUN 85	Participated in Exercise KERNEL USHER '85.		
09 NOV 85	Deployed for six months to Western Pacific. Participated in Exercise TEAM SPIRIT '86.	28 FEB 02	Deployed for two months to San Diego, CA in support of Marine Exercise DESERT FIREX-02.
21 APR 87	Participated in Exercise KERNAL USHER '87-3.	28 MAY 02	Participated in Portland Rose Festival 2002.
		05 OCT 02	Decommissioned in Pearl Harbor, HI.

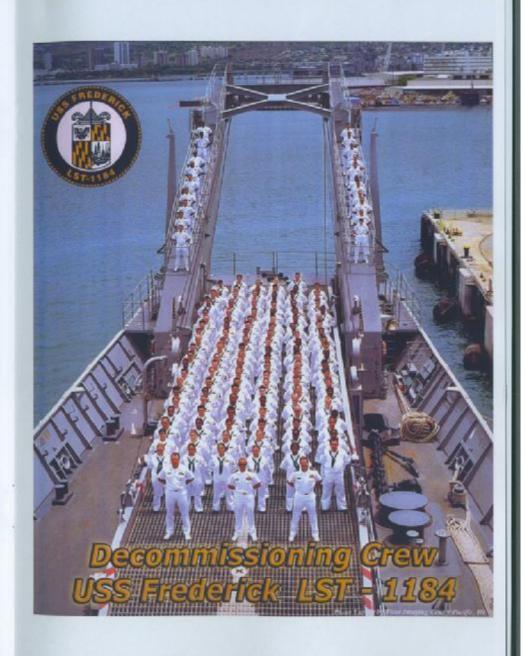
SHIP'S HISTORY

Commissioned April 11, 1970





Decommissioned October 5, 2002





CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF COMMANDING OFFICERS

The responsibility of the commanding officer for his or her command is absolute, except when, and to the extent of which, he or she has been relieved therefrom by competent authority or as provided otherwise in these regulations — U. S. Navy Regulations, 2002

CDR Robert A. Shaid, USN 11 Apr 1970 -29 May 1971 CDR James H. Connelly Jr., USN 29 May 1971 -04 Jun 1973 04 Jun 1973 -CDR Kenneth E. Nider, USN 15 Jul 1974 CDR Roger M. Daily, USN 15 Jul 1974 -06 Jul 1976 CDR Stephen G. Young, USN 06 Jul 1976 -06 Jul 1978 CDR Stephen W. Lombardo, USN 06 Jul 1978 -08 Jul 1980 28 May 1982 CDR Wirt R. Fladd, USN 08 Jul 1980 -CDR Frederick K. Smallwood, USN 28 May 1982 -27 Jul 1984 CDR Harold C. Gastler, USN 27 Jul 1984 03 Jul 1986 CDR Frank W. Hudson Jr., USN 03 Jul 1986 -09 Dec 1988 CDR Stephen E. Donlon, USN 09 Dec 1988 -29 Nov 1990 29 Nov 1990 -CDR Thomas W. Thiesse, USN 18 Mar 1993 CDR Philip Briscoe VI, USN 18 Mar 1993 -14 Jul 1995 14 Jul 1995 -CDR Michael M. Moore, USN 09 Jul 1997 CDR Thomas E. Johnston, USN 09 Jul 1997 -26 Jan 1999 26 Jan 1999 -08 Aug 2000 CDR Alan, R. Moore, USN CDR Roger D. Perkins, USNR 08 Aug 2000 -15 Feb 2002 CDR Brian T. Smith, USNR 15 Feb 2002 -05 Oct 2002

Wardroom

"In my officers I look for quickness of perception, accuracy of judgement, and rapidity of decision, followed by strong and instant action-tenaciously pursued to an ultimate conclusion."

-Admiral Claude Ricketts

CDR BRIAN SMITH
LCDR MICHAEL TURNAGE
LCDR CHARLES COLBERT
LT GREGORY HAYNES
LT ROLANDO SALVATIERRA
LT CRAIG WORTHAM
LT RANDY ZAMORA
LTJG ERIN BAILEY
LTJG STEPHEN CHAPMAN
LTJG EDWARD EBERT
LTJG COREY FULLER
LTJG ROBERT SCATLIFFE
LTJG JASON WALLACE
CWO2 RONALD HERB

COMMANDING OFFICER
EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SUPPLY OFFICER
FIRST LIEUTENANT
COMBAT INFORMATION OFFICER
ADMINISTRATION OFFICER
OPERATIONS OFFICER
DAMAGE CONTROL ASSISTANT
DECK DIVISION OFFICER
NAVIGATOR
A & E DIVISION OFFICER
DISBURSING OFFICER
CHIEF ENGINEER
SHIP'S BOS'N

Chief Petty Officers

"If you think these Battleships float on water you are mistaken...they are carried to sea on the back of the Chief Petty Officers."
-Admiral Bull Halsey

CMDCM (SW) DAVID PENNINGTON
MSCS (SW) ARTHUR PECK
ENCS (SW) ANTHONY LARANGEIRA
OSCS (SW) WILLIAM REED
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MS2 (SW) SHERWIN SUPNET, MS3 ABEL CONTRERAS
MS3 MARCUS NICHOLSON, PC2 (SW) MARCUS WEBB
SH1 (SW) RODOLFO CANOS, SH2 (SW) LEO BERGERON
SH3 ATHENA WASBOTTEN, SK1 (SW) SALLY FANN
SK2 (SW) MICHAEL WHITEHURST, SK3 (SW) RAYMON DAVISON
SK3 (SW) TROY HENDERSON, SKSN (SW) AMANDA BOYD



Tank Landing Ships were originally designed during WWII to offloaded troops and equipment directly onto the beachhead in support of an amphibious invasion. The first mass-produced American LST, USS LST-1, was commissioned on December 14, 1942. One thousand fifty-one LST(2)s were produced in American shipyards during World War II. As construction time declined, it took approximately two months to construct an LST by 1945, half the time it took in 1943. LSTs served a major role in the success of the two most famous amphibious landings, the Invasion of Normandy and the Inchon Landing during the Korean War. Commonly called a "Large Slow Target" due to its slow speed and large cargo capacity, LSTs were armed minimally and relied heavily on escort ships for defense. Pictured above is USS LST-173 in the height of World War II. Between April 22, 1944 and June 25, 1944, the crew completed approximately fifteen successful beaching evolutions on Anzio Beach in support of allied troops along the Italian coast.

In Memory of

Information Technician (SW) Chief Petty Officer Robert Earl Heath, Jr.

February 2, 1972- August 25, 2002

"Fair winds and following seas to a true Navy Chief.
Your memory lives on, shipmate."

"A powerful Navy we have always regarded as our proper and natural means of defense; and it has always been of defense that we have thought, never of aggression or of conquest. But who shall tell us now what sort of Navy to build? We shall take leave to be strong upon the seas, in the future as in the past; and there will be no thought of offense or provocation in that. Our ships are our natural bulwarks."

-President Woodrow Wilson

