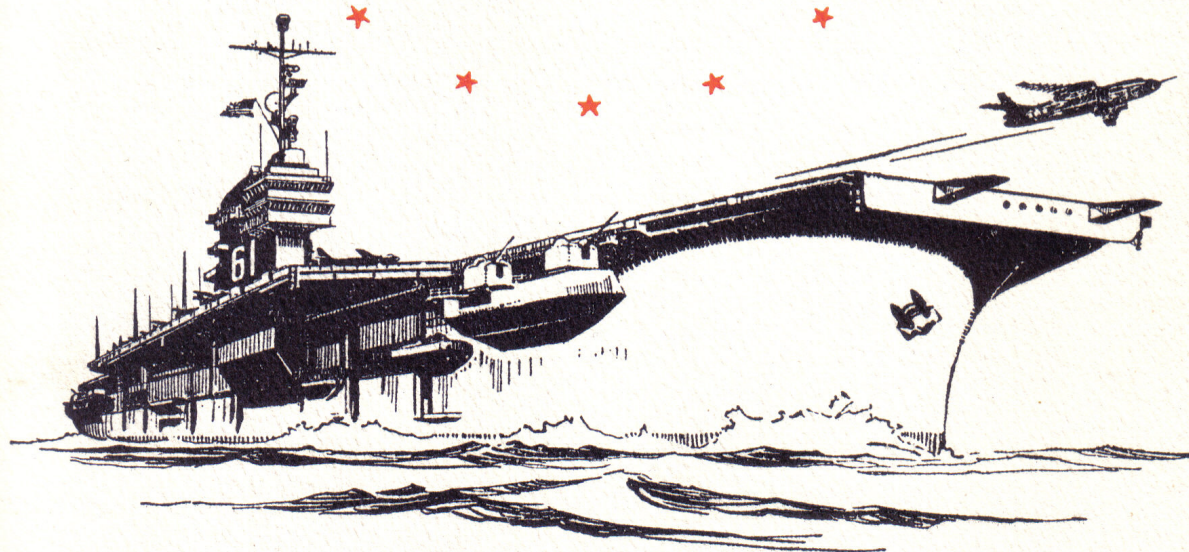


# U. S. S. RANGER

CVA 61

COMMISSIONING  
NORFOLK NAVAL SHIPYARD

10 AUGUST 1957





Arrival of the Official Party

Invocation by the Chaplain of the RANGER,  
Commander E. E. Bosserman (CHC), U. S. Navy

Delivery of the ship by the President of the Newport News Shipbuilding and  
Dry Dock Company, Mr. W. E. Blewett, Jr.

Acceptance of the ship for the Navy by the Commandant,  
Fifth Naval District, Rear Admiral F. M. Hughes, U. S. Navy

The Commandant reads the commissioning directive and orders that  
RANGER be placed in commission

Playing of the National Anthem and hoisting of Colors,  
Jack, and Commission Pennant

Rendering of Honors

The Prospective Commanding Officer, Captain C. T. Booth, U. S. Navy,  
reads his orders and assumes command

Setting the first watch

Introduction of the Chief of Naval Operations,  
Admiral Arleigh A. Burke, U. S. Navy

Introduction of the Secretary of the Navy,  
The Honorable T. S. Gates, Jr.

Introduction of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff,  
Admiral Arthur W. Radford, U. S. Navy

Address by Admiral Radford

Address by the Commanding Officer

Benediction by Lieutenant Commander J. F. Cloonan (CHC), U. S. Navy

Introduction of Mrs. Arthur W. Radford, Ship's Sponsor,  
by the Commanding Officer

Cake Cutting Ceremony

Departure of the Official Party

Reception on the Hangar Deck

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Choral selections during ceremony by the Naval Aviation Cadet Choir