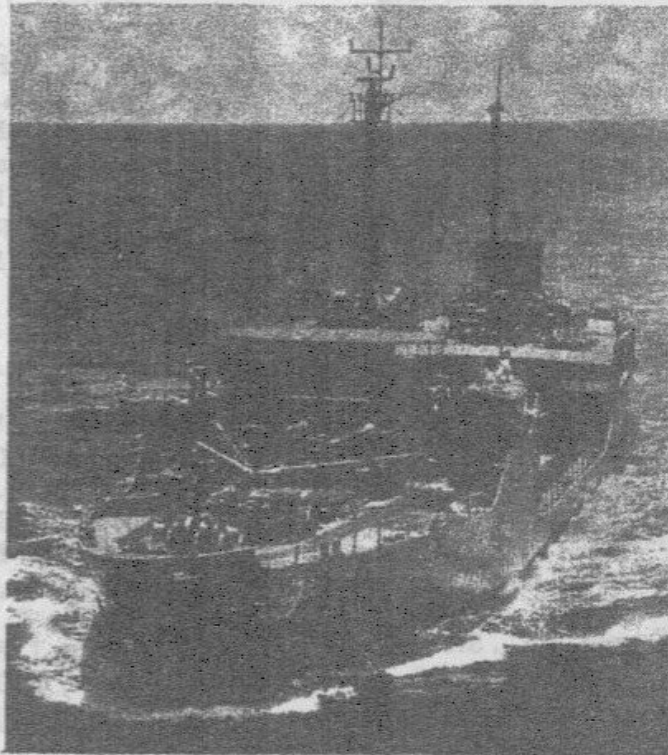


USS KISHWAUKEE (AOG-9)

Decommissioning Ceremony



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NAVAL SHIPYARD

DECOMMISSIONING CREW

15 October 1968 - 15 January 1970

LCDR Edward W. Brooks Commanding Officer
 LTJG Stephen J. Russ Executive Officer
 LTJG Stephen E. Chabot Damage Control Assistant
 LTJG Robert E. Nagel Operations Officer
 LTJG Eugene M. Ferguson First Lieutenant
 LTJG Eugenio N. Nepomuceno Engineering Officer
 LTJG John Q. Cobourn Supply Officer

QMC W. C. Piercy BMC F. O. Coley HMC R. J. Estabrooke

Barnhart, L. R., EN2	Leitzke, J. C., RM1
Betts, P. H., SN	Lemm, J. J., RD3
Carlson, S. E., SFM3	Lucia, P. H., YN3
Chase, K. J., ETN2	Lucido, A. J., SA
Compoc, J. S., SN	Lunn, O. E., SA
Copeland, R. D., Jr., SA	Macabante, B. C., SD2
Correa, G., EM3	Mannino, N., SA
Crawford, J. K., RM2	Marcum, R. K., EN3
Diaz, R. J., SD2	Martinez, E., EN1
Dozier, W. W., EM3	Marzilli, P. S., SN
Drenowatz, W. R., SK3	Mattia, T. L., SA
Eskola, M. D., CS1	Mendiola, J. C., SK1
Farnam, R. G., SN	Mercer, B. N., SN
Farrell, J. M., YN2	Meyer, R. W., SK1
Farwell, M. D., FN	Morey, J. C., SN
Faulkner, H. EM1	Nichols, R. L., GMG1
Flores, G. T., SK2	Osborne, E. T., Jr., EM3
Ford, C. D., ETR3	Patton, J. B., SN
Fowkes, D. J., SN	Person, W., FA
Gamilla, G. M., TA	Phillips, R. D., CS3
Garner, S. C., SA	Phipps, J. A., FA
Garrow, L. R., SK3	Pogue, E. O., FN
Gugino, D. M., SN	Robinson, J. G., SF1
Hicks, R. A., EM1	Roth, A. L., CS3
Huff, R., BM3	Ryan, T. D., SN
Hughes, W. J., SA	Schlichting, T., SN
Humes, H. L., EN2	Smith, J. W., SHL3
Hurt, L. L., SN	Somoskey, R. B., SN
Irby, R. L., SN	Spicer, W. F., Jr., SK3
Janiak, M. A., ETN3	Sulsona, M. A., RM3
Jipp, S. W., SN	Toler, J. A., EN1
Johnson, G. L., ETR3	Tom, D., Jr., RM3
Johnson, R. L., DC2	Turner, R. S., BT3
Katterheinrich, N. A., SFMFN	Wade, M. O., DC3
Kayga, H. E., FN	Wilson, R. A., QM2
Kerns, C. M., EM3	Wilson, R. A., SM3
Ledbetter, J. S., SN	Wind, R. F., BM3

Program

INVOCATION

Captain Ernest R. Lineberger
Chaplain, USN

REMARKS AND READING OF ORDERS

Lieutenant Commander Edward W. Brooks, USN

READING OF ORDERS TO DECOMMISSION

Lieutenant Commander Edward W. Brooks, USN

DECOMMISSIONING

HAULING DOWN OF ENSIGN, JACK,
AND COMMISSION PENNANT

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSION PENNANT

Quarter Master Chief William C. Piercy, USN

ACCEPTANCE OF CUSTODY

Lieutenant Commander Dwight G. Osborne, USN

BENEDICTION

Captain Ernest R. Lineberger
Chaplain, USN

HISTORY OF USS KISHWAUKEE (AOG 9)

USS KISHWAUKEE (AOG 9) is a gasoline tanker 310 feet in length capable of carrying more than 700,000 gallons of liquid cargo. Carrying petroleum products such as jet fuel, aviation gasoline and diesel oil, the ship has provided in the past few years of the Vietnam War, close-in support for the Army, Navy-Marine Corps Team. In addition to fuel, other types of liquid cargo such as water have been carried by AOGs as well as light freight and provisions.

The ship was named for the Kishwaukee River in Winnebago County, Illinois and built by Cargill, Incorporated at Savage, Minnesota. The name Kishwaukee comes from the Sioux Indian language and means "clear waters". Her keel was laid on 25 September 1942 and she was launched 24 July 1943.

The first commissioning of KISHWAUKEE took place at New Orleans, Louisiana, 27 May 1944. By July 1944, she had joined Service Squadron EIGHT and started making repeated supply runs to the advance bases on Johnston, Midway, Palmyra, and Canton Islands.

In October 1944, she participated in the Battle of Leyte Gulf where she repelled repeated air attacks and went on to refuel carriers and provide numerous other services.

After the end of hostilities KISHWAUKEE performed normal tasks until the outbreak of the Korean War in 1951, when once again the need for close-in logistics support developed. She was then transporting needed materials from the Mid-Pacific Islands. In June of 1953, she supplied the bases in Alaska and later made a voyage to Borneo, Guam, Formosa, and Indo-China (now Vietnam).

The ship was decommissioned in 1958 at Astoria, Oregon and remained there until October 1965. KISHWAUKEE was recommissioned 1 September 1966 at Northwest Marine and Iron Works in Portland.

Since her recommissioning KISHWAUKEE has made three deployments in support of the Vietnam War effort, delivering over 25 million gallons of fuel to the forces ashore in the I CORPS area.