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Seattle, Washington

U.S. Navy Submarine Tender MCKEE AS-41



Lockheed Shipbuilding and Construction Company
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The Ship

Ships Characteristics

	Length	644	feet
- 1	Beam	85	feet
	Full load displacement	23,000	tons
	Full load draft	26	feet
	Shaft horsepower	20,000	shp
1	Sustained speed	18	knots –
	Total complement	1,351	persons
	Deck levels	13	
(Compartment and spaces	875	

Third of the AS-39 class submarine tenders to be built by Lockheed, the MCKEE, will be delivered to the U.S. Navy in 1981. As an auxiliary ship, the AS-41 will provide mobile support to nuclear powered SSN-668 Los Angeles class attack submarines.

Submarine Pioneer

Rear Admiral Andrew Irwin McKee for whom the AS-41 is named, pioneered modern submarine design and development. Beginning in 1926 as Officer in Charge of Submarine Design, he later rendered service in building and repairing the highly successful WW II fleet submarines. By retirement in 1947, he had been awarded the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and Gold Star in lieu of Second Legion of Merit. His civilian work in design and engineering at Electric Boat - G. D. saw introduction of Trident—class submarines before his death in 1976 at the age of 80.

MCKEE AS-41 Keel Laying Program of Events

PRINCIPALS ASCEND PLATFORM AT SHIPWAY ONE

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