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## ENSIGN HUNTER MARSHALL, III, U. S. NAVAL RESERVE

Ensign HUNTER MARSHALL, III, was born in Charlotte, North Carolina, on October 6, 1917, and was killed in enemy action in the Atlantic Area, the presumptive date of his death being June 10, 1943. He was officially reported missing in action as of June 9, 1942, when the vessel to which he was attached was torpedoed and sunk in the Caribbean Sea.

Ensign Marshall enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve as an Apprentice Seaman at Charlotte, North Carolina, on July 12, 1941, and was discharged with a Special Order Discharge to accept appointment as Midshipman in the United States Naval Reserve, which appointment he accepted on October 11, 1941. On January 16, 1942, he accepted appointment and executed the oath of office as Ensign in the United States Naval Reserve, to rank from January 16, 1942.

On September 2, 1941, Ensign Marshall reported for active duty and transferred to the U. S. Naval Reserve Midshipman's School at New York City, (from which he was detached on January 16, 1942.) He was transferred to Headquarters, Sixth Naval District, Charleston, South Carolina, for active duty in the District Intelligence Office, January 31, 1942, and was discharged March 22, 1942. On March 12, 1942, he was ordered to Armed Guard School, Section Base, Little Creek, Virginia, for Temporary duty under instruction, being detached April 10, and ordered to the Naval Operating Base at Norfolk, Virginia, for duty as officer-in-charge, Armed Guard Unit of a U. S. Army Transport, attached to Armed Guard Center, South Brooklyn, New York.

Ensign Marshall was awarded the American Defense Service Medal, 1939-1941, and the SILVER STAR MEDAL, with the following citation:

"For gallant and intrepid conduct as Commanding Officer of the United States Navy Armed Guard aboard a U. S. Army Transport on the occasion of the torpedoing of that vessel by an enemy submarine. Immediately following the explosion, the Armed Guard, under the resolute leadership of Ensign Marshall, promptly manned their guns and despite the hazards of further imminent torpedo attacks, remained at their battle stations until the forward part of the ship was awash and the order 'Abandon Ship' was given. Because of his loyal and determined fighting spirit, Ensign Marshall was one of the last to leave the ship. His courage and exemplary devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

## Commissioning Order of Events

- 1. The ship's company takes parade stations on stern of ship.
- 2. The Supervisor of Shipbuilding arrives on Board.
- 3. The bugler sounds attention.
- 4. The Supervisor of Shipbuilding reads the orders to place the ship in commission.
- 5. The crew faces forward. The bugler sounds "Attention." The band plays "The Star Spangled Banner". The salute is rendered.
- 6. The Ensign, the Jack and Commission Pennant are hoisted smartly at the first note of the National Anthem.
- 7. The Crew faces inboard.
- 8. The Supervisor of Shipbuilding delivers the ship to the Commanding Officer.
- 9. The Commanding Officer reads his orders and assumes command of the ship.
- 10. The Commanding Officer gives the order to set the watch.
- 11. The Supervisor of Shipbuilding is invited to address the ship's company.
- 12. The Chaplain offers a Benediction.
- 13. The Commanding Officer dismisses the crew, and the guests are invited aboard to inspect the ship.
- 14. The Supervisor of Shipbuilding leaves the ship at his pleasure, with side honors.

Commander ALBERT A. CAMPBELL, USNR	Commanding Officer
Lieutenant ROBERT L. McVAY, USNR.	Executive Officer
Lieutenant RICHARD L. YOKEN, USNR.	First Lieutenant
Lieutenant PHILIP E. MILLER, USN.	Engineer Officer
Lieutenant JOSEPH FLANAGAN, USNR.	Gunnery Officer
Lieutenant (jg) AUSTIN H. NORTON, USNR.	Communications Officer
Lieutenant (jg) EDWARD C. MOORE, USNR.	CIC Officer
Lieutenant (jg) HARPER K. HELLEMS, USNR	Medical Officer
Ensign THOMAS A. MAHER, USNR.	Supply Officer
Ensign MELVIN UDELEWITZ, USNR.	Boat Officer
Ensign GERALD V. WOOTTON, USNR.	Assistant Engineer Officer
Ensign IDDO PITTMAN, Jr., USNR.	ASW Officer
Ensign ROBERT E. ORTEN, USNR.	Recognition Officer