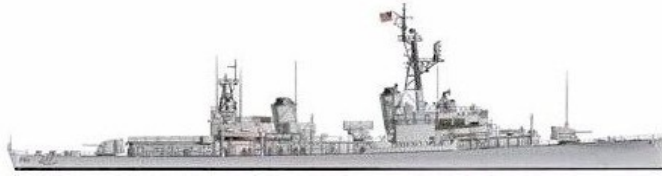


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New Commemorative Medals available for Servicemen & women who served during the Cold War!

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE COLD WAR MEDAL— Congress did not specifically authorize a medal for Federal service during the cold war, but limited its official recognition to the Cold War Recognition Certificate. This medal is intended for use by State Guard organizations, military and patriotic societies, and by private citizens who served during the Cold War. It has been adopted as an official medal of the Military Order of Foreign Wars. The medal recognizes honorable service between the dates of September 2, 1945 and December 26, 1991.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE HONORABLE SERVICE MEDAL—It has been adopted by the Military Order of

Foreign Wars and is offered as a purely civilian device to commemorate honorable military service. Its central motif is the famous "ruptured duck," adapted from the Honorable Service lapel pin used during the interim period between the First World War and following the Second World War. The cross represents the military services: the Army, Navy (including the Coast Guard), the Marine Corps and the Air Force. The laurel wreath represents honor and achievement. The colors of the ribbon are suggested by the American Defense Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal. The blue, white and red are the national colors, and the gold represents the golden opportunity of American youth to serve the National Colors. Both medals are available from Foxfall

Medals (www.foxfall.com). They look great in a shadow box.



2012 Johnston Reunion headed to Georgia

Save the dates Thursday, May 17 through Sunday, May 20th for the 2012 Johnston Reunion in Savannah Georgia. Your Association board has made special arrangements with the Four Points by Sheraton hotel in the downtown area of historic Savannah. It is located on the main strip and is close to restaurants, shopping and museums (several are within walking distance). Our special price is \$89 per night plus taxes and is good for 3 days both prior and after the reunion. The phone number is 888-627-7811. The hotel charges a parking fee, however there is public parking nearby. Please mention the USS Johnston reunion when making your reservations. More information on the reunion events is included with this newsletter.



TAPS

The following is a list of the known fallen USS Johnston DD-821 shipmates. Please understand the list is based upon the best information we have available to us. If you see an error, please report it to your board immediately. They are listed in order of the passing date. In future newsletters, we may or may not include the entire list. We will most likely only post newly deceased shipmates.

Mr.	Donald	Schaffer	M.		12/1/1976
Mr.	Floyd	Guinn			1/1/1977
Mr.	Morrow "Gary"	Garrison		Trudy	5/2/1995
Mr.	William	Hanson			9/16/1995
Mr.	Dick	Lawrentz			4/1/1996
Mr.	Charles (John)	Turner			12/18/1999
Mr.	David	Whitcomb			6/22/2000
Mr.	James	Conroy	T.	Margaret	1/1/2002
Mr.	Martin	Bender			11/1/2002
Mr.	Robert	Brown	L.		1/1/2003
Mr.	Richard	Gurnick			1/25/2004
Mr.	Kenneth	Mizov			3/12/2004
Mr.	Richard	Lanagan	T.		4/21/2004
Mr.	Robert	Klippert			6/7/2004
Mr.	Jim	Minicozzi			9/1/2004
Mr.	Andrew	Napolitano			10/1/2004
Mr.	Rosser	Parker			10/1/2004
Mr.	Jim	Gerren			1/1/2005
Mr.	Robert	Tietjen			1/5/2005
Mr.	James	Reynolds			4/8/2005
Mr.	Donald	Werling			6/1/2005
Mr.	Bill	Litaker			6/23/2005
Mr.	Robert	Nopper	J.		6/25/2005
Mr.	Eugene	Bolduc			6/26/2005
Mr.	Raymond	Morrill		Constance	7/1/2005

Mr.	Dick	Wieland			9/1/2005
Mr.	John	Fedora		Toni	11/1/2005
Captain	John	Putnam	G.	Thekla	11/1/2005
Mr.	Howard	Kreffft			12/24/2005
Mr.	William	Bullock			1/1/2006
Mr.	Evertt	Stoner	D.	Mary	5/18/2006
Mr.	Raymond	Killian		Anne	6/1/2006
Mr.	Robert	Millet			6/1/2006
Mr.	Charles	Hemming	R.		8/3/2006
Mr.	William	Kriebel			10/2/2006
Mr.	John	Jordan		Roberta	10/22/2006
Mr.	P.J.	Redmond		Joyce	11/1/2006
Mr.	James	Stelly	C.		12/1/2006
Mr.	Charles	Bruce		Jane	3/1/2007
Mr.	Wesley	Elkins	S.	Pauline	3/15/2007
Mr.	William	McSwain			4/7/2007
Mr.	Barry	Knott	W.	Anne	4/28/2007
Mr.	Elmer	Wagner		Emma	8/25/2007
Mr.	Peter	Winters	J.	Sherrie	10/13.2007
Mr.	James	Brosey			1/1/2008
Mr.	William	Calvert			1/1/2008
Captain	Vincent	Colan	J.		1/1/2008
Mr.	Paul	DeCosta	R.		1/1/2008
Mr.	Melvin	Dunston			1/1/2008
Mr.	Stanley	Eckert	R.		1/1/2008
Mr.	Frank	Fletcher			2/1/2008
Mr.	John	Flynn	P.	Phyllis	4/1/2008
Captain	Ralph	Turner, Jr.	A.	June	6/1/2008
Mr.	Noli	Sungtao	P.		7/1/2008
Mr.	Howard	Werling		Jeanette	8/1/2008

Mr.	John	McGrath		Janet	11/1/2008
Mr.	Morris	Stomackin		Joanne	11/1/2008
CDR	Edward	Sheehy	J.	Rosemary	12/1/2008
CDR	Darrel	Stevens			12/1/2008
Mr.	Joseph	Wojtas			1/8/2009
Mr.	Arthur	Smith			3/9/2009
Mr.	Eugene	McCann	P.	Michaelene	3/23/2009
Mr.	David	Buesing		Frieda	6/6/2009
LTJG	Richard	Lamontagne			7/8/2009
Mr.	Raymond	Pac	H.	Faye	7/9/2009
Mr.	Jim	Capper			8/9/2009
Mr.	Dick	Nebelle		Helen	8/9/2009
Mr.	Lawrence	Costa			9/9/2009
Mr.	David	Tipton			12/8/2009
Mr.	Charles	Fertig		Patricia	12/19/2009
Mr.	Dwayne	Heitzman			12/31/2009
Mr.	William	McCann		Mary	1/23/2010
Mr.	William	McSwain			10/1/2010
Mr.	Clayton	Hill			10/27/2011

The next volume of “The Real Story of the USS Johnston DD-821” is a possibility!

Most everyone who got a copy of “The Real Story of the USS Johnston DD-821” really enjoyed it and many of those have said they wish they had contributed a story or two for it. Recently, George Sites has been asked to make an additional volume of “The Real Story of the”. George has agreed to put it together but he will not be “begging” for stories this time around—he says it is simply too stressful. He currently has about twenty new stories that shipmates have sent in but needs many more. George says that once he has about 50 or so, he will start to work on it. It is a lot of work and will likely take up to a year to complete. If you did not contribute the first time around now is your chance. If you did, share some more of your stories. If you are interested in contributing your stories, please send them to George via email or snail mail.

Please include any photos you would like included. He says the format will be similar to the first book so please include the information that was required for the first book. George’s email address is: George.sites@gmail.com and his address is on the last page of the newsletter.

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THE PURPOSE OF THE USS JOHNSTON DD-821 ASSOCIATION IS TO PERPETUATE THE BONDS THAT WERE FORMED AMONG THE PERSONNEL WHO EXPERIENCED THE "TRADITION OF THE SEA" WHILE SERVING ABOARD THE USS JOHNSTON DD-821, IN PERPETUITY.

WE DO THIS BY PROVIDING SHIPMATES A WEBSITE SECOND TO NONE THAT WAS BUILT BY AND IS OPERATED BY FORMER SHIPMATE DUANE MALLAST, AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE USS JOHNSTON ASSOCIATION AS A MEANS TO MEMORIALIZE AND SHARE THE EXPERIENCES WE ALL HAD WHILE SERVING ABOARD THE U.S.S. JOHNSTON. IN ADDITION, THE ANNUAL JOHNSTON RE-UNION REINFORCES THESE BONDS AND BRINGS US ALL TOGETHER AGAIN.

THE ASSOCIATION IS A "NOT FOR PROFIT" ORGANIZATION FORMED BY AND OPERATED BY USS JOHNSTON DD-821 SHIPMATES.

In Color?

If you want to see the newsletter in color? Then visit the Johnston webpage at: www.ussjohnston.org and see your newsletter in full color.

USS Johnston DD-821 Newsletter

The Association Board hopes you are enjoying the USS Johnston DD-821 Newsletters. Over the past couple of years we have expanded the content, improved it's format and increased the number of newsletters from one to three per year. We would like to make it a quarterly newsletter, expand it's content even more and make it available to all of our known shipmates. However to do that, we need help from you our fellow shipmates in two ways.

First and foremost to keep the newsletter interesting, we need your help writing articles such as "my favorite Johnston port", "my scariest moment of the Johnston" or your biography. Basically any short story you feel our fellow shipmates will enjoy reading. Your photographs make the stories even more interesting. I don't know about you, but I really enjoy reading about all our shipmates. I'm sure you would especially enjoy reading about that favorite officer and/or sailor you served with. I find it interesting to know what my favorites have been doing in their lives all these years since I served on the Jolly J. Your story can be a few paragraphs to a page or more. The best length is one type written page. Please email them to George Sites at "george.sites@gmail.com". You can also mail them to: USS Johnston DD-821 Association, 5653 Haydens Reserve Way, Hilliard, OH 43026.

Secondly we would appreciate payment of the yearly dues (\$15/year) if at all possible. We do understand that not all can afford to pay and that is OK. At the time of this writing, we have only 157 paying members for 2011 or beyond. out of the 445 that are currently on our roster. All shipmates on the roster have been sent a dues payment form. The dues basically keep the Association afloat by not only paying for the printing of the newsletters but the cost of mailing them also. Dues also helps to defray the costs of maintaining the USS Johnston website (www.ussjohnston.org). Now I don't know about you but in my opinion, our website is second to none. Contact George Sites via email if you don't know your dues status.

We are including the 2012 dues payment forms with this newsletter in case you have misplaced yours.