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The Retiree Newsletter is a quarterly publication of the Director of Reserve and Military Personnel (CG-13), produced in alignment with the CG Retiree Services Program's mission to: Provide, support, and strengthen CG retiree communications and information services, as well as helping to sustain the life-long connection and mutually beneficial relationship between the Coast Guard and its military retiree community, the Long Blue Line. This publication shall not be considered authority and is non-record material.



Coast Guard Retiree Services Program Director

Rear Admiral Matthew Sibley, Director, Reserve & Military Personnel (CG-13)

I want to extend my sincere appreciation to RADM Ron Rábago and MCPO Kevin Isherwood (National Retiree Council Co-Chairs), Regional Retiree Councils, the National Retiree Help Desk, and CAPT Chris Hulser (CG-13D) for their tireless efforts in support of our retiree community during the recent partial federal government shutdown. My thanks to the retiree community at-large for your feedback — highlighting the importance of ensuring retirees receive and have access to timely, "official" information. I also want to thank RADM Rábago for his extraordinary service as CGNRC Co-Chair during the past three years, RADM Jeff Hathaway for stepping up to serve as the new CGNRC Co-Chair, and to MCPO Kevin Isherwood for extending his tenure as CGNRC Co-Chair for another year. I look forward to working with the CGNRC in continued service to the Coast Guard and our retiree community.

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READY ALL WAYS U.S. COAST GUARD

ACTION TODAY — READY ALL WAYS

THE RETIREE NEWSLETTER WILL TRANSITION TO ALL DIGITAL/E-MAIL DISTRIBUTION JANUARY 2020, with exception of paper mailing to those without internet access. Members who retired after 31 Dec 2018 will only receive by e-mail. Readers without internet access are asked to notify me ASAP and NLT 15 Nov 2019. Retiree/Annuitant e-mail/mailing addresses in *Direct Access (DA)* will be used to send the newsletter and other retiree communications. Please ensure your e-mail/mailing addresses and other information in DA are correct, as described on page 2. You may also verify your information in DA by contacting PPC Customer Care at: 866-772-8724 or 785-339-2200.

Coast Guard National Retiree Council (CGNRC) Co-Chairs

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Much has occurred since our last newsletter. Of course, front and center was the Lapse in Appropriations (partial government shutdown) that affected all of our Coast Guard. For retirees and annuitants, the February 1st check was at risk, but thankfully the partial shutdown ended, and checks went out on time. Your Retiree Council heard from many of you throughout this period of uncertainty. However, despite our best efforts, we were challenged to ensure everyone received timely information. Between the Pay and Personnel Center (PPC) and our Regional Retiree Councils, we have less than half of the email addresses required to communicate in a timely way with you. Thankfully, the Vice Commandant sent out an informational letter to all retirees and annuitants by regular mail as the shutdown persisted. Hopefully we will not go through a lapse of this duration in the future, but you can ensure you receive updates in the future by registering your email. Please encourage other retirees and annuitants to do the same. You can register your email address at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/subscriber/new?gop=CODE_RED It only takes 2-3 minutes and it will help us, help you!

Our Annual CGNRC meeting has been set for 14-15 May 2019 at CG Headquarters. Our primary focus will be strengthening our ability to communicate with you. Please share your ideas and concerns with your Regional Retiree Council representatives so they can also be addressed at the meeting.

A big Thank You goes out to CG Mutual Assistance for their financial assistance to our Coast Guard Family during the lapse. If your financial situation permits, please consider contributing to CG Mutual Assistance to help your fellow Coasties and their families (this includes retirees and annuitants).

CGMA website: http://www.cgmahq.org/

Our National Retiree Help Desk was an important link to many of you and can always be reached at (833) 224-6743, or NRHDesk@gmail.com should you have any questions about support and services available to you.

NEWSLETTER INPUT

Submit notices, articles, and items of interest for the newsletter to: Robert.C.Hinds@uscg.mil

The deadline for input for the July 2019 issue is

28 May 2019.

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CG Pay & Personnel Center, Retiree & Annuitant Services (CG PPC-RAS) https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/ppc/ras



We have seen over the last couple of months an increase in requests for updates to many retiree accounts and wanted to pass along some helpful reminders. These will help us to facilitate a speedy response and completion of requests that we receive.

- If you haven't done so, please set up your account in Direct Access Self-Service for USCG/PHS/NOAA Retirees, Annuitants, and Former Spouses. You can use Self-Service to: View/change EFT/Direct Deposit, Voluntary Deductions; Federal/State Taxes (W-4), Mailing and E-Mail addresses, and Phone Numbers; View/download Pay-slips and Year-End Tax documents (e.g. 1099, ACA form); View Final Pay Beneficiary; View/change delivery option for Retiree Newsletter and Pay-slip; and View/change your Password. Changes you make to your Self-Service account will be visible the next day. Requests to CG PPC-RAS for changes to your account may take up to two weeks.
- To ensure delivery of official, often time-critical, information, please ensure your mailing/e-mail addresses are correct.
- Please consider changing the delivery option for The Retiree Newsletter, electing to opt out of paper mailing.
- If you have moved to another state, please change your tax information as well.
- Please review your beneficiaries and let us know if any changes are needed.

FIRST TIME USER OF DIRECT ACCESS (DA) SELF-SERVICE? If you're new to Self Service here's how to get started.

- Retired prior to 1 April 2018 Send an email to ppc-dg-customercare@uscg.mil asking for your account to be established.
- Retired on or after 1 April 2018 Access https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Portals/10/CG-1/PPC/ras/gp/password.pdf and read First Time Logon Guide. It provides all the information you need to logon and setup your self service account.

Customer inquiries may be made to PPC Customer Care by calling 1-866-772-8724 or (785) 339-2200. All retiree and annuitant email customer inquiries to PPC should be sent to PPC-DG-CustomerCare@uscg.mil. The old RAS email address is no longer used. This change was made to streamline and improve customer service processes for all retirees and annuitants. Please include the following information in your email inquiry:

FULL NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST):	USCG EMPLOYEE ID (ON YOUR PAYSLIP):
PHONE NUMBER:	DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF YOUR REQUEST:

Current and past issues of *THE RETIREE NEWSETTER* are accessible at below link, where you can also subscribe for e-distribution of the newsletter and other important retiree communications. https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/ppc/ras/retnews/

INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT INTERNET ACCESS

If you are unable to access the internet and digital publications (e.g. The Retiree Newsletter), please contact Robert Hinds, CG Retiree Services Program Manager, at 202-475-5451 and provide your name, mailing address, and phone number (s). 22 individuals have notified me they don't have internet access. **Or mail to:**

Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard Retiree Services Program Manager(CG-13) U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7907 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave SE Washington, DC 20593-7907

HOW DO I RETRIEVE A COPY OF MY DD-214 OR OTHER COAST GUARD SERVICE RECORDS?

IF YOU RETIRED PRIOR TO 1 OCTOBER 2006

Make requests to obtain copies of DD-214's, Personnel Records, and Service Medals, etc. to the **National Personnel Records Center.** Requests may be made online by the veteran or next of kin of a deceased, former member of the military. Complete **Standard Form 180 (SF 180)** and send to:

NATIONAL PERSONNEL RECORDS CENTER 1 ARCHIVES DRIVE ST. LOUIS, MO 63138

Commercial: (314) 801-0800 NPRC website is accessible at:

https://www.archives.gov/personnel-records-center/military-personnel

IF YOU RETIRED ON OR AFTER 1 OCT 2006

Submit a **Standard Form 180 (SF 180)** to: ARL-PF-CGPSC-MR CustomerService@uscg.mil or fax to 202-372-8440 Attn: Military Records. Phone: 202-795-6375, Or Mail to:

COMMANDER (BOPS-C-MR)
PERSONNEL SERVICE CENTER
US COAST GUARD STOP 7200
2703 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR AVE SE
WASHINGTON DC 20593-7200

Standard Form -180 is accessible at: https://www.archives.gov/files/sf180-request-pertaining-to-military-records-exp-2021.pdf

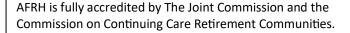
MEDICAL RECORDS

If you are filing a claim for medical benefits with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), you do not need to request a copy of your military records from the NPRC. The VA Regional Office (VARO) handling your case should petition for needed service and medical records, to adjudicate your claim, from the Coast Guard, NPRC, and VA Records Management Center.

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) – which offers affordable independent living to eligible veterans in its Washington, D.C., and Gulfport, Miss. locations, is now accepting applications for immediate residency.

The 2019 rate for independent living will be 46.7% of the resident's gross income or \$1,990.00, whichever is less.



Veterans must be able to live independently upon admission to the AFRH. This means being able to care for personal needs, attend a dining facility for meals, and keep all medical appointments.

For those accepted into independent living, we also offer higher levels of care – including assisted living, long-term care, and memory support.

85% of our residents spent a career in the military, retiring honorably in the enlisted ranks following 20 or more years of service to our Nation. Military veterans from each service branch live at the Home. The largest group represented served during the Korea and Vietnam eras.

In Washington, DC, AFRH offers residents a scenic, wooded campus just minutes from downtown - home to museums, monuments, and a host of entertainment, sports and other cultural options.

Amenities include a nine-hole golf course and driving range, walking paths, stocked fishing ponds, and modern recreation facilities.

In Gulfport, Miss. AFRH offers residents a beautiful view of the Gulf of Mexico, with an outdoor swimming pool, walking path to the beach, reflecting pool, art studio and modern media room.

Many veterans choose to live at AFRH for the superior medical, dental and vision care offered, with amenities that include: private rooms with a shower, cable TV, three delicious daily meals prepared by licensed nutritionists in our modern dining facility, a wellness program and deluxe fitness center, movie theater, bowling center and hobby shops.



Services include recreational activities and resident day trips, a full-service library, barber shop, 24 / 7 security, beauty salon, computer center, mailboxes, ATM, campus PX/BX and off-campus shuttle and public transportation.

Persons are eligible to become residents who:

Served as members of the Armed Forces, at least one-half of whose service was not active commissioned service (other than as a warrant officer or limited-duty officer)

The following categories will be considered. Veterans (male or female) who are

60 years of age or over; and were discharged or released under honorable conditions with 20 or more years of active service.

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Have a service-connected disability incurred in the line of duty in the Armed Forces.

or

Served in a war theater during a time of war declared by Congress or were eligible for hostile fire special pay and are suffering from injuries, disease or disability.

Those who served in a women's component of the Armed Forces before June 12, 1948 and are determined to be eligible for admission because of compelling personal circumstances will also be considered.

Married couples who meet eligibility requirements above are welcome, as are non-military spouses of career-retired applicants. Please call us for details!

Veterans who have been convicted of a felony or are not free of drug, alcohol, or psychiatric problems are ineligible to become a resident. For further information or to request an application, visit: https://www.afrh.gov/apply or contact the Office of Public Affairs at: admissions@afrh.gov 1-800-422- 9988.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) provides services to former members of the military, not just those who are retired from the military. If you are disabled, the VA establishes your level of disability compensation, and handles any changes or updates. These include: • Additional (tax-free) benefit for veterans injured while in the service; • Ratings for service-connected disability codes; • Ratings for Special Monthly Compensation; • Individual Unemployment ratings; Re-rating you if you feel your disability has increased. The VA also administers pensions, educational programs, home loans, life insurance, vocational rehabilitation, survivors' benefits (such as Dependency and Indemnity Compensation-DIC), medical benefits and burial benefits. If you have questions or concerns about any of these topics, please contact the VA at 800-827-1000 or visit their website at:

REUNIONS, NOTICES, ITEMS OF INTEREST



CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION 50th ANNIVERSARY GALA BANQUET

On April 6, 2019, the CPOA will celebrate 50 years of service to our fellow Chiefs, our Coast Guard Family, and our Communities. The Gala Banquet will be held at the Hyatt Regency Dulles, 2300 Dulles Corner Blvd Herndon, VA. Reception starts @ 6:30pm. RSVP to Jon Ostrowski (National President) at (703) 941-0395 or email: cpoa50th@gmail.com. See available sponsorships and more information at: www.uscgcpoa50.com

2019 COAST GUARD COMBAT VETERANS CONVENTION

The Coast Guard Combat Veterans will be having their 2019 Convention in North Charleston, SC, 15-18 April 2019. While all Tight Reign and COMSEASEC veterans are always invited, they have offered us the opportunity to have a separate day/ session for a Tight Reign/COMSEASEC reunion. It's been some time since we have gotten together. If you have an interest in joining us at this event, please send an email to COMSEASEC@gmail.com.

NCCGRC 28TH ALL SERVICES RETIREE SEMINAR

The Northern California Coast Guard Retiree Council announces the 28th All Services Retiree Seminar on May 4, 2019 from 0800-1200 in the Gresham Conference Center, Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA. Speakers and information tables will provide the latest information on TRICARE, current legislation, legal assistance, scams, fraud, Space-A travel and more. Additional information is available at: NCCGRC.org or contact: David.D.Swanson@Outlook.com or by phone at 510-390-6312.

CG TELEPHONE TECHNICIAN REUNION

Hear Ye - Hear Ye, all ye EMTel's – TT's – IT's. Our 2019 Reunion will be held on May 17-19, 2019 in Chincoteague, VA at the Pine Grove Camp Ground. So all ye ole pole climbers, cable splicers, frame room techs, cable boat crews and families make sure you place this event on your calendar. Contact the Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce for a list accommodations. RV parking at the camp ground. Bring your usual stories and expanded CG adventures. Good times, good food and good weather will prevail. Contact TTCS Bo Stapelton (Ret) at 757-340-3732 or TTCM Curtis Leary (Ret) at 919-270-2136 or curtleary@ieee.org.

PHS-IHS ENGINEER & SANITARIAN REUNION

Retired Engineer and Sanitarian (EHO) Officers who served with the Indian Health Service during their PHS career are invited to our 2019 Reunion in Laughlin, NV to be held May 21, 2019. Please contact CAPT Bruce Etchison, USPHS (Ret) for registration and hotel information at: bmetchison72@gmail.com

USCGC EASTWIND REUNION

USCGC Eastwind will have our reunion in Portland, ME June 12 - 15 2019. Former crew members and those interested are invited to attend. Contact Bill Morris (856) 768 3961, eastwindassociation@gmail.com

USCGC JARVIS REUNION (WHEC 725)

The next USCGC Jarvis Reunion will take place July 26-28 2019. Cape Charles VA. All former crew members are invited! Contact Andy Haddon for details. andy.haddon@comcast.net 267-864-6119

USCGC WESTWIND (WAGB 281) REUNION

SEPTEMBER 13-15 2019, HOLIDAY INN, 5032 MARKET ST., WILMINGTON, NC 28405, (910) 392-1101, COST: \$119.00 PR NIGHT. When making reservation, state that it is for the Westwind Association Reunion. The cost, which includes the buffet dinner on Saturday night is \$75 per person and is payable to: Gordon Sauer, Attn: Westwind Association, 1516 North State Parkway, Chicago, IL 60610. For more info: Alex Mavica, Email: amavica@optonline.net Phone: (845) 352-7040

COAST GUARD AVIATION ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REUNION

Calling all Pterodactyls – Fly South to gather at the #1 Beach in the USA – November 5-8, 2019. The Pforty-third Ptero Roost will convene on sunny Clearwater Beach, Florida, at the Sheraton Sand Key. Activities include a lunch cruise, golf outing, day trip to downtown St. Petersburg and social events each evening to connect with new friends and visit with old ones. As always, the annual business meeting will be capped off with an outstanding awards banquet where we will honor today's finest. To close out the event we'll rub elbows with the fine men and women of Air Station Clearwater, tour the unit and connect the past of CG Aviation with its future. For more information and to register for the 2019 Roost, visit the CGAA website at https://aoptero.org. All are welcome. More information: Mark D'Andrea (727) 288-6679

USCGC SHERMAN (720) PERSIAN GULF AND CIRCUMNAVIGATION DEPLOYMENT REUNION

If you were part of the pre-deployment crew in 2000 or historic Persian Gulf and Circumnavigation crew in 2001 and would like to attend our 20 year reunion, please contact Ed Semler at mkcm378@gmail.com or 240-305-9348

REUNIONS, NOTICES, ITEMS OF INTEREST

OPPORTUNITY TO HELP WITH NEW LONDON MARITIME MUSEUM PROJECT

New London Ledge Light's lens that guided mariners into the Thames River is now housed at the New London Maritime museum, Old Custom House, Bank Street New London, CT. It's been moved a few times and the Museum Director would like to place the movement in working order. I've volunteered to rework the gimbals so they can drop but could use some help to ensure the mechanism is in good working order. It will become an active display where visitors can enjoy seeing how it originally operated. If interested in helping out with the project, contact Capt David Lersch, USCG, (Ret) at grnwing@hotmail.com

You are Cordially Invited to

Honorary Chief Petty Officer Lois Bouton The Coast Guard Lady

100th Birthday Celebration

on Saturday, the twenty-first of September 1 - 5 pm Central Standard Time with presentations and cake at 3 pm

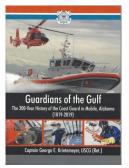
> First Presbyterian Church 901 NE J Street Bentonville, Arkansas

Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn Bentonville (479-464-7300) Special Rate: \$89 + tax per night w/full breakfast http://group.hiltongardeninn.com/CoastGuardEvent

Group Name: COAST GUARD EVENT

To RSVP or for additional information: Rick Trent at 830-980-8735 (voice) or MCPOCG7@satx.rr.com

RSVP & Hotel by September 5th Military: Tropical Blue Civilian: Smart Casual

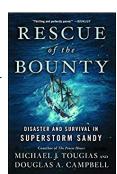


GUARDIAN'S OF THE GULF

The 200 year history of the CG in Mobile, AL has recently been published and is available at both CG Exchanges in Mobile, the Battleship ALABAMA Ships store, and GULF QUEST Museum. If you'd like to purchase a copy via USPS delivery, contact CAPT George Krietemeyer, USCG (Ret) at: georgekriet@gmail.com

RESCUE OF THE BOUNTY

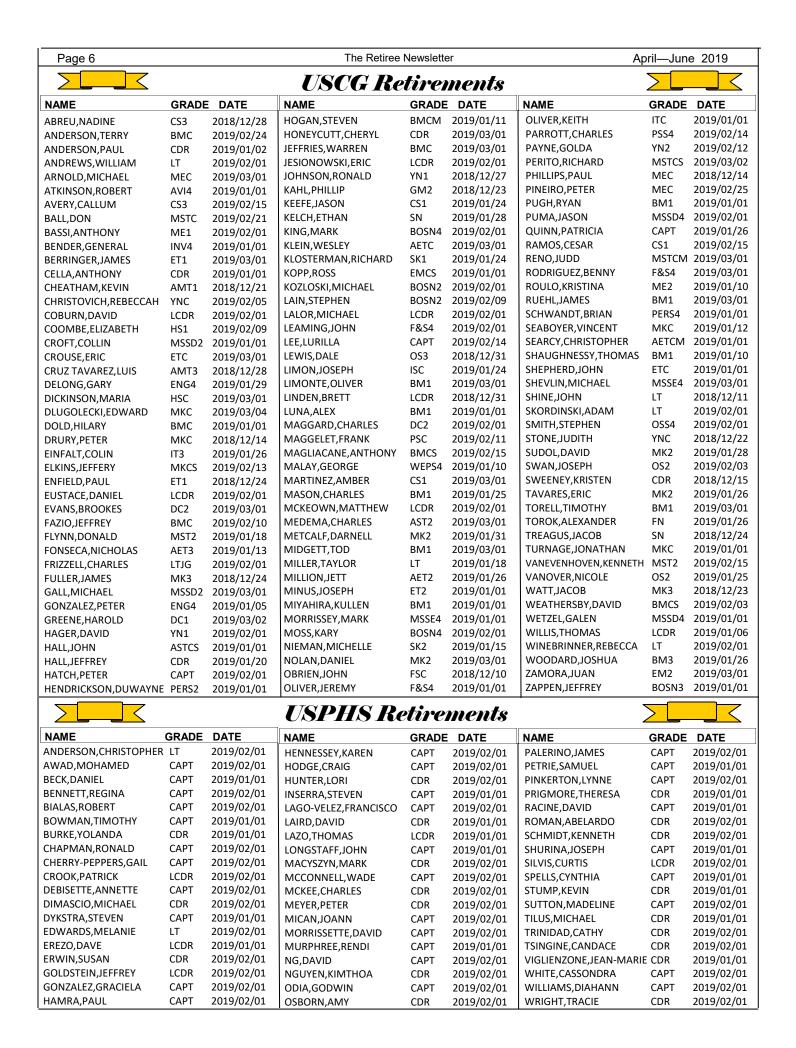
by Michael J. Tougias & Douglas A. Campbell An exciting story of the tall ship Bounty on the ill-fated journey from Connecticut to Florida in October 2012. The ship gets caught in Hurricane Sandy and the crew works together in a struggle for survival. The Coast Guard comes to their aid. This book reads like an action packed movie and is hard to put down! Best, Julie Havelka, wife of R. Neil Carter, USCG (Ret)



FROM ALCOAST 062/19 - USS TAMPA PURPLE HEART MEDAL CAMPAIGN

at: https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/2328fc3

The U.S. Coast Guard needs your help with locating and contacting descendants of the USS TAMPA, which was tragically sunk during World War I with all hands lost. The Service has yet to present 84 of the outstanding Purple Heart Medals awarded posthumously to the crew. We intend to recognize as many of the descendants as possible this Memorial Day. We need your help to do this. Background: USS TAMPA, a Coast Guard ship and crew serving under the Department of the Navy, was lost with all hands after being torpedoed by a German U-boat off Wales on 26 September 1918. This tragic loss occurred just weeks before the end of World War I. It was the single largest loss suffered by the Coast Guard during that conflict. At the time of TAMPA's loss, the Purple Heart Medal was not in use. In 1942, eligibility was extended to include the Coast Guard, but it was not until 1952 that the awarding of the Purple Heart Medal was made retroactive for actions after 5 April 1917. However, TAMPA was overlooked until 1999, when a retired Coast Guardsman submitted a proposal to award the Purple Heart to her crew. In 1999, then-Commandant Admiral James Loy authorized the posthumous awarding of the Purple Heart Medal to the crew of USS TAMPA. Today, over one hundred years after TAMPA was lost and twenty years after the first TAMPA Purple Heart was awarded, the Coast Guard is still attempting to identify those families who have yet to receive their ancestors' Purple Heart. The purpose of this ALCOAST is to raise awareness of the Purple Heart award program and to continue to identify those families who have yet to receive their ancestors' medals. You can help. Summary of USS TAMPA Purple Heart Medals awarded: There were 130 men on TAMPA, including 111 Coast Guardsmen and 4 Navy men. 26 TAMPA Purple Heart Medals have been claimed since 1999. 3 TAMPA Purple Heart Medals are presently in progress. 84 TAMPA Purple Heart Medals remain unclaimed. The names of the 84 TAMPA crew whose Purple Heart Medals remain unclaimed are listed at: https://www.history.uscg.mil/tampa/. To submit applications for TAMPA Purple Heart Medals, contact Ms. Nora Chidlow, Coast Guard Archivist, at Nora.L.Chidlow@uscg.mil or 202-559-5142. She has served as the primary point of contact between the Coast Guard and many TAMPA descendants, and also with the Medals & Awards branch. To apply for an ancestor's Purple Heart Medal, descendants are required to provide documentation showing the descendant's relationship to the TAMPA crew member, such as family trees, pages from family Bibles, birth/death certificates, and/or pages from Ancestry or other genealogical applications. Please expect about 4-6 weeks' time for processing.



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NAME	GRADE	DATE	CITY S	TATE	NAME	GRADE	DATE	CITY	STATE
ABRAHAMS,RICHARD	CAPT	2019/02/17	LAGUNA WOODS	CA	HOGUE,CHARLES	BM2	2019/02/15	MEMPHIS	TN
ADAMS,RANDALL	LCDR	2018/12/16	BOCA RATON	FL	HOLMES,JOHN		2018/12/10	CAMBRIDG SPGS	PA
ANDERSON,PAUL		2018/12/16	SOMERSET	KY	HUBERT,RICHARD	SN	2018/12/27	THE VILLAGES	FL
AVILES,ANGEL	BM1	2019/01/30	CARLSBAD	CA	HURD,BRUCE	RD1	2019/01/01	ROCKFORD	TN
BAKER, JAMES	GM1	2019/02/14	CYPRESS	TX	ISCHAR,HOWARD	QMC	2018/12/20	SANTEE	CA
BANNISTER,ADOLPH	TTC	2019/01/11	W COLUMBIA	SC	JARINA,SATURNINO	EM1	2019/01/26	LAS VEGAS	NV
BARNES,LLOYD	BMC LCDR	2019/03/06 2018/12/19	SCARBOROUGH NEW SMYRNA	ME FL	JENNINGS,PAUL	CAPT	2019/01/31 2019/01/28		NC NJ
BARNETT,LEROY BENSON,ROBERT		2018/12/19	JACKSONVILLE	FL	JOHNSON,ROBERT JOHNSON,ROBERT		2019/01/28	ANNANDALE GIG HARBOR	WA
BENTON,DON		2019/01/03	VALLEY VIEW	TX	JUDGE,JOHN		2018/12/15	MAGGIE VALLEY	NC
BERGADINE,EARL	CDR	2018/12/23	GAINESVILLE	FL	KEAO,LEROY	MK1	2018/12/21	MOBILE	AL
BICKEL,GEORGE	YN1	2019/02/21	CORPUS CHRISTI	TX	KELLEY,FREDERICK	CAPT	2018/12/09	FOSTER CITY	CA
BONKER,DANNY	RMCM	2018/12/29	VANCOUVER	WA	KINDELL,DOUGLAS	BMC	2018/12/18	CAMDEN	ME
BROWN,ALLEN	FA	2019/01/07	QUINCY	FL	KOEHLER,ROBERT	PSCS	2019/02/15	MILLS RIVER	NC
BRYANT,PAUL	GM1	2019/01/14	STATEN ISLAND	NY	KOWALSKI,JOHN	AM1	2019/01/19	CORAM	MT
BUCHTEL,FOSTER	CDR	2019/01/18	CUYAHOGA FALLS	ОН	LARGE,THOMAS	ET3	2019/01/25	BLACKSBURG	VA
CALABRO,MICHAEL	LT	2018/12/14	JACKSONVILLE	FL	LAWS,KENNETH	FS1	2019/01/12		ME
CARDENAS,ISMARO	BMC	2019/02/25	FLORESVILLE	TX	LAWSON,CLONNIE	ATCS	2018/12/09	MEADOWVIEW	VA
CARLSEN,ALAN	CDR	2018/12/27	SOUTH DENNIS	MA	LEAVENWORTH,STEPHEN		2018/12/21		NH
CARPENTER, SHEILA	YN1	2019/01/02		FL	LECAPTAIN,ALF	LCDR	2019/01/21	BILLINGS	MT
CASTRERC ANTHONY	CDR CAPT	2019/01/01 2019/01/05	PAWLEYS ISLAND HILO	SC HI	LETT,WILLIAM LEVY,GLENN	EMC	2018/12/12 2018/12/11	EVERETT OREGON	WA OH
CASTBERG,ANTHONY CAUDILL,JAMES		2019/01/05	GLADE VALLEY	NC	LEWARK,LARRY	CDR	2018/12/11	KITTY HAWK	NC
CHANDLER, CHARLES	BMC	2019/01/16	GREEN BAY	WI	LITTLEJOHN, JAMES	PSC	2018/12/16	ROWLETT	TX
CHAPMAN,PAUL	DC2	2018/12/08	SACRAMENTO	CA	LYNCH,JAMES	LT	2019/01/11	CARMAN ISL	WA
CHENEY, ARTHUR	BM1	2018/12/18	TOMS BROOK	VA	MACFEAT, DAVID	FSC	2018/12/17	PORT ANGELES	WA
COLLAZO,NERIUS	CWO4	2019/01/15	ORLANDO	FL	MADDOX,LARRY	BM2	2019/02/14	CASSELBERRY	FL
CONRAD,GEORGE	EMCM	2019/01/24	GRANDY	NC	MADES, DANIEL	LCDR	2019/01/18	HOLLISTON	MA
CRISS,ROBERT	AE1	2019/01/20	PORT ANGELES	WA	MARTICIO,PEDRO	BM1	2018/12/09	BELLINGHAM	MA
CUTLER,KENNETH	CDR	2019/02/15	ROCHESTER	MA	MASSEY,CAMMIE	SKC	2019/02/26	LORTON	VA
DANIELS,OSCAR	EMC	2019/02/15	BEND	OR	MCCARTY,JOHN	CAPT	2019/01/03	ALEXANDRIA	VA
DANNEMANN, LEONARD		2018/12/08	BIRMINGHAM	AL	MCCRAY,GEORGE	SK1	2018/12/08	GWYNN OAK	MD
DAUGHERTY,ROBERT	ETC ENCS	2018/12/08 2019/02/11	CLINTON	MO MA	MCDANIEL, DANIEL MCDEVITT, JAMES	ADCS	2019/01/07 2018/12/31	TUCSON MOBILE	AZ AL
DAUPHINAIS,ALFRED DAVIS,TED		2019/02/11	S VENICE SUN CITY	CA	MCGUIRE,CLIFFORD	LCDR	2018/12/31	GUILFORD	CT
DELONG,ELDO	CDR	2018/12/10	KIRKLAND	WA	MCKINNEY,ELBERT	LCDR	2019/01/15	SEATTLE	WA
DILL,ROBERT	RM1	2018/12/14	SHELBYVILLE	IN	MCMILLAN, PRESTON	CDR	2019/02/08	ABINGDON	VA
DRISCOLL,PAUL		2018/12/31		VA	MELHORN, JOHN		2019/02/03	EAST BERLIN	PA
DROWN,RODNEY	MKC		SOUTH PORTLANT	ГМЕ	MENDEZ,ANASTASIO	BMCM	2018/12/14	AUBURN	WA
DUGAN,ROBERT	CAPT	2019/01/06	MELBOURNE	FL	MESTLER,MERTON	ETC	2018/12/15	SHREVEPORT	LA
DURHAM,BRIAN	CDR	2019/01/19	SCARBOROUGH	ME	MILLER,RICHARD		2018/12/25	SPARKS	NV
EDWARDS,ROBERT		2019/01/30	ORCHARD	TX	MINKS,PETER		2019/01/04	HAVELOCK	NC
FONTANILLA,BENJAMIN	FS2	2018/12/20	ELK GROVE	CA	MINZY,LEON		2019/01/16	COUNTY CORK	
FONTANILLA, EUFEMIO	FSC	2019/02/02	SARATOGA	CA	MITCHELL, JAMES	SK1	2019/02/06	BRANDON	FL
FORSHEE,LOY FREEMAN,RALPH	TTC ETC	2019/01/07 2019/01/22	RIVERTON FT WALTON BCH	WY FL	MOON,MARION MOST,ROBERT	MKC CDR	2018/12/28 2019/01/14	WILMINGTON NEW OXFORD	NC PA
FRITZ,ROGER	DCC	2019/01/22	ARPIN	WI	MOZDY,CHRISTOPHER		2019/01/14	ERIE	PA
GABRIEL,PAUL	ELC4	2013/02/20	NORTH CAPE MAY		MUNCH, JOSEPH		2019/01/04	HILTON HEAD	SC
GALUSZEWSKI,STANLEY	GM2	2019/01/25	BILLERICA	MA	MURPHY,PATRICK	PS1	2019/02/18	ROCKVILLE CENTR	
GARMAN,ROBERT		2019/01/28	COPALIS BEACH	WA	NADEAU,JOSEPH		2019/01/05	SATSUMA	FL
GONSHOROWSKI,RICHARD		2019/02/07	KELSO	WA	NAEGEL,JAMES	F&S4	2019/01/14	WOODBURN	KY
GONZALES, MICHAEL	BM1	2019/01/07	PORT OCONNOR	TX	NEWBY,CHARLES	BMCM	2019/02/05	OTTAWA	KS
GRADY,RAJAH		2019/01/12	DEEP RUN	NC	NIELSEN,GALEN	LT	2019/01/13	SALEM	OR
GRAF,DAVID	SN	2018/12/31		OR	NORTHCUTT,BARRY		2018/12/27	CHERRYVILLE	NC
GRAHAM, JULIUS	BMC	2019/01/24	ST PETERSBURG	FL	OBRERO, WILSON	ET2	2019/02/06	ROCKY RIVER	ОН
GRIFFIN,RICHARD		2019/01/23	OREGON	OH	PETTY, MARSHALL		2019/02/16	AVONDALE	AZ
GUENTHER, JAMES	DC2	2018/12/09	HAPPY VALLEY	OR	PLEDGER,GEORGE	BMC	2018/12/25 2018/12/19	DORCHESTER	MA
HAGERT,RICHARD HALL,EUGENE		2019/01/09 2019/01/12	WILTON	CT	POST,HENRY PRESNAR,JOHN	LCDR ET1	2018/12/19 2018/12/16	SUNSET BCH HOMESTEAD	NC FL
HALL,EUGENE HAMILL,WILLIAM	DC1	2019/01/12	WEST MONROE WINTERVILLE	LA NC	PRUNEAU, ANDREW	EMC	2018/12/16	FAIRFIELD GLADE	TN
HARDIE, DOUGLAS	EN1	2018/12/23	ROBERTSDALE	AL	PULSIFER,MELVIN		2013/01/23	LAMOURE	ND
HARRELL,RONALD		2019/01/26	SEQUIM	WA	PURCELL, WILLIAM		2019/01/14	BROKEN ARROW	ОК
HECKEL, VERNON	HS1	2019/02/19	WAVERLY	NE	QUIDLEY,LENWOOD	LCDR	2019/02/09	KILL DEVIL HILLS	NC
HEIDINGER,THOMAS	MKC	2019/01/04	PEACH BOTTOM	PA	QUINTIN,NICANOR	FS1	2019/01/21	NEWPORT RICHEY	
		2018/12/12					2019/01/06	WOODBRIDGE	

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	USCG TAPS								
NAME	GRAD	E DATE	CITY	STATE	NAME	GRADE	DATE	CITY	STATE
ROSARIO,PEDRO	MKC	2019/01/21	CAROLINA	PR	TREJCHEL,PHILIP	PSC	2019/02/11	ERIE	PA
ROTT,ROBERT	BMCS		MIDDLETOWN	CA	TUPMAN,ALAN	FSCS	2019/01/29	SANTA ROSA	CA
SATOR,STEVEN	LT	2019/01/06	ENTERPRIZE	AL	WAELBROCK,BRUCE	MSTC	2019/02/04		CA
SCARBOROUGH, LEON	BMCS	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	HENDERSONVILL		WALKER, JAMES	RMC	2019/01/06		AK
SCHOLLENBERGER,THOI	MAS MATS FS1	2019/01/29 2019/01/12	PROCTORVILLE TAMPA	OH FL	WALTERS,ELMER WATERMAN,RICHARD		2018/12/31 2019/02/01		r AZ WA
SCOTT,WILLIAM SCURRIA,NORMAN	CAPT	2019/01/12		NC	WATERS,ROBERT	PSCS	2019/02/01		CA
SEAMAN, GEORGE	CAPT	2019/02/16	WILMINGTON	NC	WAZLAVEK,BRIAN	LT	2019/02/07		DE
SHERWOOD, JERRY		2018/12/21	SAN FRANCISCO	CA	WEBB,MILTON	BMC	2018/12/18	NANCOUVER	WA
SHIVERS,ROBERT	SA	2019/01/08	AUSTIN	TX	WEBSTER,LARRY	вмс	2018/12/29	WEST COLUMBIA	SC
SIMPSON,ROBERT	CWO3	3 2018/12/19	HUDSON	FL	WEISS, MARION	CAPT	2019/01/18		CA
SMITH,GLENN	CAPT	2018/12/15	PHOENIX	AZ	WELLS, GOVERNOR	SK1	2019/01/11		GA
SMITH,GEORGE	ETCM		VIRGINIA BCH	VA	WERNER, EDWARD	LCDR	2018/12/27		
SOSNA,CARL	LCDR	2018/12/11		AZ	WHEELER, RICHARD	CAPT	2018/12/11 2019/02/02		FL FL
ST ONGE,ROBERT STARR,ROLAND		2019/02/24 2 2019/02/15	HUNTINGTON BE	CA CA	WHITE,ALSTON WILSON,GERALD	ETC	2019/02/02		ID
STEWART, JAMES		1 2019/01/09	MILL CREEK	WA	WOLCOTT, CARL	CDR	2018/12/22		GA
SURGES, JOHN	PSCS	2019/01/07	KISSIMMEE	FL	WORKMAN,ROBERT	CAPT	2019/02/26		VA
SUTTON,LEE	BMC	2019/01/20	FT WORTH	TX	WRIGHT, WILLIAM	MMC	2019/02/04		SC
TAYLOR,JAMES		2018/12/08	WYOMING	RI	WRIGHT,EMMANUEL	AE2	2019/02/09		AL
TAYLOR,JIMMIE	PSCS	2018/12/30	BAY MINETTE	AL	YEAKLE,JOSEPH	-	2019/01/19	RANCHO SANTA FE	E CA
TERRELL,PHILLIP	SK1	2019/01/08	ANGELES CITY		YOUNG,ALAN	CDR	2019/01/30		CA
TIMMONS,EDWARD	BMCS		SLIDELL	LA	ZOLENDJUSKI,RAYMON	D MK2	2019/02/10	OOLTEWAH	TN
TRAHAN,LEO	MKC	2019/01/03	CHESAPEAKE	VA I					
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CHILD,DAVID	CAPT 2	019/01/03	PHOENIX	AZ	MOORE,MELINDA	CAPT	2019/01/	17 DARNESTOWN	MD
COBB,JAMES	CAPT 2	019/02/20	DURHAM	NC	NORTHINGTON,CHAR	LES CAPT	2018/12/	15 PLANO	TX
DUTTON,DAVID		019/02/02	BELLINGHAM	WA	ROMERO, ANTHONY	LT	2019/01/		NM
EDWARDS,REGINALD		019/01/03	SAN ANTONIO	TX	SLOOP,BARBARA	CAPT			IN
EWING,DAVID GARTEN,LARRY		019/02/11 019/01/02	CHANDLER GLENDALE	AZ AZ	TSCHUDY,DONALD	CAPT CAPT			MD
HINTON,DAVID		019/02/26	FUQUAY VARINA	NC	WARE,JOHN WEINHOFF,MARTIN	LCDR			NY
HUFFAKER,ROBERT		019/02/01	WEAVERVILLE	NC	WEISBURGER,ELIZABE				MD
KUBICA,GEORGE	CAPT 2	018/12/14	SPENCER	TN	WEST,ROBERT	CAPT			MD
LYMAN,ROLLIE	CAPT 2	019/01/22	MOBILE	AL	WHITE, CHARLES	CAPT	2019/01/0	04 SANDY SPRING	MD
MARTIN, WILLIAM	CAPT 2	019/02/11	CLEARWATER	FL					
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TERRI L. SALLNESS GRA			CWO4 DAVID E. GR)181215	DULUTH	MN
MISOOK GREGG			LCDR DOUGLAS E. (•	` '			TAMPA	FL
AIDA FAW			CWO2 JAMES E. FA	•	· ·			MADISON	AL
CORAZON D. JONES		WIFE OF	CWO3 LOUIE W. JC	NES, USCO	G (RET)	20)171205	HAMPTON	VA
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MARJORIE E. HINES			RADM ROBERT "RI	JBE" C. OLS	SEN, JR., USCG (RET)	20	190124	NOKOMIS	FL
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Pay & Personnel Center, Retiree & Annuitant Services (RAS) - Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance and Other Important Phone Numbers & Websites (Pgs 13-15) will only be published in the October editions of the newsletter and will be accessible at: www.dcms.uscg.mil/portals/10/cg-1/ppc/ras/rasdirectory.pdf

Questions, Address or Direct-Deposit Changes

If you need information or have questions about:

- Your retired or survivor benefit plan (SBP) annuity payments
- Your retired/annuitant statement
- ♦ IRS Form 1099-R (reporting taxable income)

or you need to change:

- Your and your dependents' home mailing address (for retired/annuitant statement, newsletter, 1099-R, correspondence)
- Your financial institution or account number for your direct deposit
- Report a change to your designation of beneficiary for payment of unpaid retired pay (Note: use Form *CG PPC-3600 Designation of Beneficiary for Payment of Unpaid Retired Pay)

You may make the requests listed above by **telephone**, by **fax** or in **writing**. The telephone and fax numbers are:

Toll free: 1-800-772-8724 Commercial: (785) 339-3415

Fax: (785) 339-3770

Allotments, SBP Coverage and Beneficiary Changes

If you need to:

- Start, stop or change an allotment (you may use Form *CG PPC-7221 Retired Allotment Authorization Form, fax in the form or a written request, call us or send us an email request).
- Report a change to your survivor benefit plan (SBP) coverage (must be in writing)

You may <u>fax</u> your request to (785) 339-3770 or mail to:

Commanding Officer (RAS) USCG Pay & Personnel Center 444 SE Quincy St Topeka, KS 66683-3591

(*) Note: Forms are available from the PPC website at: www.dcms.uscg.mil/ppc/pd/forms/ or directly from the IRS.

Income Tax Withholding Changes

If you need to:

- ♦ Start or change the amount of state tax withholding (retirees can call, e-mail, fax or use *IRS Form W-4, or state form. If using IRS form, indicate that the form is for state income tax withholding, not federal, which state it's for and the dollar amount to be withheld, (minimum amount is \$10.00, no cents)). We cannot withhold state tax for annuitants
- ◆ Change your federal income tax withholding (retirees use Form W-4, annuitants use Form W-4P)
- ♦ Change exemptions or additional withholding

Federal tax changes **must** be in writing. The original Form IRS W-4 or W-4P must be mailed to PPC (RAS) for action and filing, per IRS requirements. <u>PPC (RAS) cannot accept a faxed W-4 or W-4P.</u> Please mail to:

Commanding Officer (RAS) USCG Pay & Personnel Center 444 SE Quincy St Topeka, KS 66683-3591

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Report of Death

To report the death of a Coast Guard, NOAA or PHS retiree/ annuitant call:

> Toll free: 1-800-772-8724 Commercial: (785) 339-3415 Fax: (785) 339-3770

Or write:

Commanding Officer (RAS) USCG Pay & Personnel Center 444 SE Quincy St Topeka, KS 66683-3591

DEPENDENT TAPS: To place a Dependent TAPS notice in The Retiree Newsletter, provide the dependent's name, relationship to retiree, date of passing, and city/state to Robert Hinds at: **Robert.C.Hinds@uscg.mil** or phone: 202-475-5451.

RETIREE CUSTOMER SERVICE

Phone: 800-772-8724, E-mail: PPC-DG-CustomerCare@uscg.mil. Web: www.dcms.uscg.mil/ppc

MEDICARE PART B ENROLLMENT IS MANDATORY AT AGE 65

https://dcms.uscg.mil/Portals/10/CG-1/retiree/docs/pdf/Turning_65_with_MEDICARE.pdf?ver=2018-09-07-143218-930 When you turn 65, your medical benefits will change. MEDICARE will become your primary medical coverage and TRICARE pays secondary to MEDICARE. You MUST enroll in MEDICARE PART B to retain your TRICARE coverage. If you are within 90 days of your 65th birthday, you should log on to www.ssa.gov or www.medicare.gov to enroll in MEDICARE PART B. Additional information is accessible at: www.tricare.mil/Welcome/Eligibility/MedicareEligible.aspx?sc_database=web or by phone at 866-773-0404. You may also call the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) at 800-538-9552.

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Other Important Phone Numbers and Websites							
Medical/Dental Benefits	Phone	Websites/Notes					
	1-800-538-9552	www.tricare.mil/deers					
Eligibility (DEERS)/ID Cards	(TTY/TDD)	In CA: 1-800-334-4162;					
	1-866-363-2883	In AK & HI 1-800-527-5602					
Mail-Order Pharmacy	1-877-363-1303	www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/					
		Prescriptions/Filling Prescriptions/TMOP					
FEDVIP	1-877-888-3337	https://www.benefeds.com/					
TRICARE Overseas	1-888-777-8343	www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/					
		Regions/RegionsNonUS					
TRICARE East Region Contractor	1-800-444-5445	http://tricare.mil					
TRICARE West Region Contractor	1-844-866-9378						
TRICARE For Life	1-866-773-0404	www.tricare.mil/tfl/default.cfm					
		www.tricare.mil/LifeEvents/Retiring					
TRICARE Eligibility—Pharmacy	1-877-363-1303	www.tricare.mil/ CoveredServices/Pharmacy/					
(Medicare info)		Eligibility.aspx					
Federal Long-Term Health Insurance	1-800-582-3337	www.opm.gov/insure/ltc/					
CG Health Benefits Advisor	1-800-942-2422						
Veterans Benefits	Phone	Websites/Notes					
Department of Veterans Affairs	1-800-827-1000	www.va.gov					
Insurance Information	1-800-669-8477	www.insurance.va.gov					
Veteran's Group Life Insurance		www.insurance.va.gov/sglisite/vgli/vgli.htm					
veteran s droup life insurance							
	4 000 440 4470	Death and accelerated benefits claims only:					
New VGLI Applications and VGLI	1-800-419-1473	Fax: 1-877-832-4943.					
Reinstatements:	Overseas phone	All other fax inquiries: 1-800-236-6142 or e-mai					
OSGLI	(973) 548-5699	at: osgli.claims@prudential.com					
	Overseas fax#	All other inquiries: osgli.osgli@prudential.com					
	(072) 540 5200						
	(973) 548-5300	General Correspondence:					
	(973) 548-5300	Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance					
PO Box 41618 Philadelphia, PA 19176-9913	(973) 548-5300	Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance 80 Livingston Avenue					
Philadelphia, PA 19176-9913	(973) 548-5300	Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance 80 Livingston Avenue Roseland, NJ 07068-1733					
	(973) 548-5300 1-800-827-1000	Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance 80 Livingston Avenue					

Casualty & Decedent Affairs

A current CG "Master Decedent Affairs Officer (DAO) & Military Funeral Honors (MFH) Coordinator Roster" is accessible at: https://dcms.uscg.mil/Portals/10/CG-1/retiree/docs/DAO_%20MFH_Master_Roster_.xlsx?ver=2018-09-07-140443-903. CG MFH Guidance is accessible at: https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Portals/10/CG-1/psc/psd/docs/Military%20Funeral%20Honors%
https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Portals/10/CG-1/psc/psd/docs/Military%20Funeral%20Honors
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Other	Phone	Websites/Notes	
		www.dcms.uscg.mil/ppc/separations/finalpay/	
	1-866-772-8724	Commanding Officer (SEP)	
Final Active Duty Pay	Overseas	USCG Pay & Personnel Center	
	(785) 339-2200	444 SE Quincy St	
		Topeka, KS 66683-3591	
Contact PPC (SEP) for information on Seve	erance Pay, Separation Pay,	Disability Severance Pay, LES's, IRS Form W-2.	
		www.dcms.uscg.mil/ppc/travel/	
		Send final travel claim to:	
	1-866-772-8724	Commanding Officer (TVL)	
Travel Claims	Overseas	USCG Pay & Personnel Center	
Traver claims	(785) 339-2200	444 SE Quincy St.	
	(703) 333 2200	Topeka, KS 66683-3591	
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		www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-recor	ds
Service Records	(314) 801-0800	Write to: National Personnel Records Center	
	, ,	Military Personnel Records	
		1 Archives Drive	
		St. Louis, MO 63138-1002	
Veterans or next-of -kin of a deceased vet	teran can access www.archi	ves.gov/veterans/military-service-records to make requ	ests.
		, dates of service and date of birth of the veteran. DD-2	
are also available via the website.	, , , , ,	•	
Social Security	1-800-772-1213	www.ssa.gov	
		www.marad.dot.gov/mariners/mariner	
		Maritime Administration	
WWII U.S. Merchant Marine Awards		U.S. Department of Transportation	
and Decorations	(202) 366-2646	200 New Jersey Ave, SE	
and Decorations	(202) 300-2040	Washington, DC 20590	
		vvasiiiigtoii, DC 20330	
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