USS Samuel B. Roberts DE 413 Newsletter

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Dedicated in Memory of Shipmates Whit Felt and Dick Rohde

Survivor Glenn Huffman Featured in Tulsa World







A wonderful article written by Tim Stanley was featured in the November 13th issue of the Tulsa World News about our own Glenn Huffman. Since the article was published, Glenn has become somewhat of a celebrity at the Country Club of Woodland Hills in Tulsa where he and his wife, JoAnn reside.

The entire article can be found at http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/ww2veterans/veterans-remember-glenn-huffman-survived-sinking-of-the-uss-samuel/article

Pictured above is Glenn Huffman (taken by Tulsa world photographer Stephen Pingtry), Glenn as a young sailor with his original ID card inset, and Glenn receiving the Purple Heart

We mourn the loss of:

Herbert Eskins of Chicago, IL passed away on March 29, 2017

James F. "Bud" Comet of Everett, WA passed away on August 10, 2017. Bud was instrumental in starting our Survivors' Association back in the early 1980's. He and his wife, Lil, along with many others worked tirelessly looking through phone books from every state in the union to locate fellow survivors from the DE-413.

May these two heroes rest in peace

Roll Call

To the best of our knowledge, the following is a list of the living survivors of the USS Samuel B. Roberts DE 413. If we have made any errors or omissions, please let us know.

E. Glenn Huffman age 92, lives with his wife JoAnn in Tulsa OK

Adred C. Lenoir age 94, lives in Clanton, AL and spoke with John today on the phone. Adred keeps busy and remembers many details of his life on board the DE413.

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Treasury Report

Starting Balance 1-5-1/		\$2,335.08
Dues, Donations Received and Deposited		225.00
Total		\$2,560.08
Expenses:	Newsletter Printing Jan 2017	(157.24)
	Postage	(96.00)
	Flowers, Bud Comet	(179.55)
Total Expenses		(432.79)



Balance \$2,127.29

******************************* With Sympathy.....

Leona Harden, wife of the late Mel Harden passed away on February 8, 2017. Leona was a smiling and friendly face at most every reunion standing alongside her beloved Mel. Leona is survived by her daughter Karen (Dennis) McGowan, two grandsons and three great-grandchildren.

Rest in peace, dear lady.

Taffy III Reunion Plans for October of 2018

We received an e-mail from **Marlene Hughes** who is the reunion coordinator for the USS Gambier Bay. She extended an invitation to our organization for a reunion next year. Her message reads as follows:

Hi Everyone,

The Gambier Bay and the Kitkun Bay just finished up their reunion in Seattle and we wanted to reach out to the other Taffy 3 ships about next years reunion.

We have decided to have a Taffy 3 reunion in San Antonio hosted by Gambier Bay and Kitkun Bay. So with that said you are all invited to attend.

We are working on getting the hotel and the dates will be either Oct. 18-22nd or Oct. 25-29th.(2018) There will be one tour and that will be to the Pacific War Museum in Fredericksburg, Texas.

Please let me know if you see it possible to join us so we are able to pick the right hotel for the number of people.

If you have other contacts with the other ships please let me know so I can send the invite.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Marlene Hughes

Reunion Coordinator

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Sons and Daughters of WWII Veterans Hereditary Society

"Live worthy of the sacrifices made" is the motto of the Sons & Daughters of World War II Hereditary Society. The purpose of the society according to its brochure is:

To enable individuals to prove family ancestry and lineage from an American veteran of World War II.

To perpetuate the story of the sacrifices and achievements of the generation of Americans that fought and won World War II.

To create a public database of military records from individual World War II veterans accessible to future historians, authors and students of the war for researching the legacy of World War II.

This society has been formed as part of the Nimitz Foundation in Fredericksburg, Texas. To obtain further information the website is

www.SonsandDaughtersofWW2Veterans.com or

www.SonsandDaughtersofWW2Veterans.org

Please consider joining this worthy organization to keep our father's stories alive!

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Phone, write or e-mail us with any news or information for the next Newsletter

Thank you!

