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## Anderson, Glen J

**Nickname** DT3/DT2                      **Rate** DT3/DT2                      **Division** Dental  
**Spouse** Ivy                                      **Hometown** Deville, WI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1951                      **Years To** 1952  
**Civilian Occupation** Real Estate Sales  
**Special Hobbies** Golf, Travel, Yard Work  
**Favorite Memory** Visiting the Med especially visit to Island of Capri  
**Worst Memory** Hurting my foot climbing down the side into P Boat  
**Children** 5                                      **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments** Hi to all Dental and Medical that served on board in 1951-52

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## Anderson, Lawrence

**Nickname** Andy                                      **Rate** SN                                      **Division** Boat  
**Spouse** Winnie                                      **Hometown** Monmouth, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1955-08                      **Years To** 1956-01  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired from Quality Control Dept, Gates Rubber Co, Galesburg, IL.  
**Special Hobbies** Golf, Garden, Bingo  
**Favorite Memory** Cruises to New York City (Statue of Liberty)  
**Worst Memory** Coxswain on Liberty runs on dark stormy night, with a rookie bow hook aboard  
**Children** 2                                      **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Anderson, Jr, Lloyd W

**Nickname** Andy                                      **Rate** PHM 2/c                                      **Division** Medical  
**Spouse**    **Hometown** Milan, MN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1945-06                      **Years To** 1945-11  
**Civilian Occupation** Accountant, Div Office Mgr, Ordained Minister  
**Special Hobbies** 44 Hobbies  
**Favorite Memory** Cleaning teeth of Robert Stack, but not allowed to so for Maxwell D Lapham who turned out to be Dean of Tulane Medical School to which I applied.  
**Worst Memory** The return of the CAMBRIA for trial of one crewman at Nagasaki for alleged murder, but missing the worst of the typhoon  
**Children** 0                                      **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments** Willing to correspond with anyone who remembers me.

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## Antolin, Julito M

**Nickname** Rate SD3 **Division**  
**Spouse** Lydia **Hometown** Philippines  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1965 **Years To** 1970

**Civilian Occupation**

**Special Hobbies**

**Favorite Memory** Captain Harkins was the CO and I was his steward when I turned 21. We were at anchor somewhere off the coast of Greece and I loaded the Captain's gig with a few cases of cold beers and we headed to the beach. I can't forget that memorable birthday.

**Worst Memory** The night when the USS Cambria and USS Shadwell collided during night maneuvers.

**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 1

**Special Comments**

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## Aronsohn, Robert H

**Nickname** Rate SN **Division** 3rd  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Lancaster, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958

**Civilian Occupation** Teacher

**Special Hobbies**

**Favorite Memory** Liberty in Greece, Barcelona, Naples, Sicily & Crete, and many, many other places like Panama Canal, FL, Havana. My final days aboard in the summer of '58 in dry-dock in NJ.

**Worst Memory** Three days in the brig for falling asleep on after-steering watch.

**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 4

**Special Comments**

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## Artus, Werner R

**Nickname** Art **Rate** SS Laundry **Division**  
**Spouse** None **Hometown** Poth, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** Comm **Years To** 1945

**Civilian Occupation** Worked in precision measurement lab

**Special Hobbies** Fishing, Photography

**Favorite Memory**

**Worst Memory**

**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**

**Special Comments**





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## Bartell, Richard G

**Nickname** Dick **Rate** F 1/C **Division** B  
**Spouse** Colene **Hometown** Curwensville, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1947 **Years To** 1947  
**Civilian Occupation** Construction  
**Special Hobbies** Traveling  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Bartlemay, Howard D

**Nickname** Bart **Rate** YN3 **Division** X  
**Spouse** Alicia **Hometown** Oblong, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956-05 **Years To** 1959-10  
**Civilian Occupation** Civil Service at COMNAVSURFLANT, Norfolk, VA  
**Special Hobbies** Stamp Collecting  
**Favorite Memory** 3 Med Cruises  
**Worst Memory** The heat in summer in the berthing compartments  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Bateman, John W

**Nickname** Bill **Rate** R 1/c **Division**  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Whittier, CA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944-04 **Years To** 1944-09  
**Civilian Occupation**  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**











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## Bryson, Clifford W

**Nickname** Rate FI/C Division FR  
**Spouse** Hometown Elkhart, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) Years From 1948 Years To 1950  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired  
**Special Hobbies** Riding my motorcycle, Auto & Motorcycle Races (Dirt Track)  
**Favorite Memory** Swimming in the Caribbean while the Marines were on Maneuvers  
**Worst Memory** Wire brushing the bilges putting the darn thing out of commission!!!  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Buchanan, Oscar L

**Nickname** Rate BM3 Division 1st  
**Spouse** Eva Hometown Guntown, MS  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) Years From 1961 Years To 1962  
**Civilian Occupation** Mechanic (Diesel)  
**Special Hobbies** Camping, Traveling, Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Bay of Pigs, Cuba  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Buchbinder, Irving J

**Nickname** Rate HM2 Division  
**Spouse** Brenda Hometown Willimantic, CT  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) Years From 1969 Years To 1970  
**Civilian Occupation** Podiatrist/Physician  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** I think one of my favorite times was after a heavy Eur/US crossing (mid-winter) with 90-100 foot swells (after the storm) going out onto the Foc'sle and watching the HUGE ship rise like a top atop the waves and plunge down through...  
A second was sitting on mess decks for movies with Nav, Cook, Yeoman and 6th Division having tea and having the Marines make noises about our "teapot". I made good friends. Some are still around.  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments** I think some of my happy youthful days were spent in the Navy. I remember being nominated for (and becoming) Sailor of the Month at PNH just after I'd had a very bad run-in with a double edged razor. The 'official picture' has my face in bandages, turned, but still visible.





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**Cartledge, George E**

**Nickname** Rate YN1 **Division** Admin  
**Spouse** Hazel **Hometown** North Augusta, SC  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Civil Service, The Virginia Pilot Newsletter  
**Special Hobbies** NBA Basketball, Major League Baseball  
**Favorite Memory** Taking the occupation Marines from Agena to Japan  
**Worst Memory** None. I went aboard after all combat engagements  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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**Cary, Reby**

**Nickname** Rate RM 1/c **Division** Radio  
**Spouse** Nadine **Hometown** Ft Worth, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944-04 **Years To** 1945-1111-4  
**Civilian Occupation** Real Estate Broker/Retired  
**Special Hobbies** RV'ing and Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Liberty in Shanghai, China  
**Worst Memory** Weather and Bombs at Okinawa  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments** Pleasant Memories and Best Wishes!

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**Castillo, Thomas**

**Nickname** Tom **Rate** SHC **Division** S-3  
**Spouse** Hope **Hometown** Austin, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1959 **Years To** 1962  
**Civilian Occupation** Barber  
**Special Hobbies** Golfing, Fishing, Softball  
**Favorite Memory** Lebone Support troops  
**Worst Memory** Hurricane returning from the Med.  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Cattelino, John J

**Nickname** Jack **Rate** Y 3/c **Division** Trans 24  
**Spouse** Loretta **Hometown** Pittsburg, KS  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952-05 **Years To** 1953-12  
**Civilian Occupation** Accounting  
**Special Hobbies** Wood working  
**Favorite Memory** Don't remember  
**Worst Memory** Don't remember  
**Children** 6 **Grandchildren** 6

**Special Comments** Although I was aboard the USS CAMBRIA I was not Ships Company. At the time, the CAMBRIA was the Flag Ship of Transport Division 24. I served on that staff as a Yeoman until discharged from active duty. When I reported for duty W O Floyd was Commodore followed by Commodore Speck and Mewhinney. We traveled to the Mediterranean Sea making various stops in France, Greece, Cyprus, and Northern Africa. We also exercised Marine Troops off the coast of Labrador. Later in Aug of '53 we traveled through the Panama Canal to Yokohama, Japan. There we picked up troops that served in Korea and returned them to the US.

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## Charlton, Sr, John D

**Nickname** **Rate** E3 **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** Mary Ann **Hometown** Sewell, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1967-11 **Years To** 1969-10  
**Civilian Occupation** Over the road Truck Driver  
**Special Hobbies** My family  
**Favorite Memory** I don't have a favorite memory, it was all great duty  
**Worst Memory** When we had a collision at sea. That scared the day light out of me.  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 1

**Special Comments**

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## Cherry, Henry R

**Nickname** **Rate** E8/CSCS **Division** S-3  
**Spouse** Carlene **Hometown** Lafayette, TN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1970  
**Civilian Occupation** Wal-Mart Door Greater  
**Special Hobbies** Gardening  
**Favorite Memory** Back home from deployment  
**Worst Memory** Officer hung himself in state room  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 4

**Special Comments**

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## Childress, Edward E

**Nickname** Chilly **Rate** SM3 **Division** Flag  
**Spouse** JoAnn **Hometown** Knoxville, TN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Credit Mgr for Knoxville Utilities Board  
**Special Hobbies** Watching TV and browsing on computer  
**Favorite Memory** Crossing the Equator  
**Worst Memory** A typhoon at sea  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Chishton, Eddie

**Nickname** **Rate** **Division**  
**Spouse** Bilie Jean **Hometown** Beckley, WV  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1951-08 **Years To** 1955-03  
**Civilian Occupation** Working in produce warehouse  
**Special Hobbies** Baseball, Football, Basketball, Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** All my trips over seas were very good  
**Worst Memory** When the ship was quarantined for yellow fever  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## Clark, Richard P

**Nickname** **Rate** Y3 **Division** N  
**Spouse** Marjorie "Midge" **Hometown** Los Angeles, CA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** Saipan **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired letter carrier-US Postal Service  
**Special Hobbies** Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Cambria in San Pedro, CA being refitted for invasion of Japan when we heard that Japan had surrendered.  
**Worst Memory** Sunday afternoon air raid by Japan with all the aircraft they could get together while anchored off Okinawa  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments** God bless and be with you at all times. I know our Chaplin Keating will be with you in spirit as he loved our ship and all who served on her.

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## Clauser, Jr, John W

**Nickname** DC3 **Division** R  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Coopersburg  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1964 **Years To** 1966  
**Civilian Occupation** Archaeologist  
**Special Hobbies** Motorcycling  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory** Steel Pike 1-all day on the boats and all night repairing the boats  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Cleary, Robert W

**Nickname** Bob **Rate** AG2 **Division** CPR-6  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Boston, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1963  
**Civilian Occupation** Economist BLS (Retired)  
**Special Hobbies** Sailing, Watching sports  
**Favorite Memory** After the Cuban Missile crisis was over and returning home after being at sea much of 1962  
**Worst Memory** Hurricane off NC keeping us from off-loading troops in Moorhead City.  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments** As I look back, the Navy was important to me in maturing, and helped me to focus on preparing for a career first as a meteorological technician and later graduating (in my forties) as an economist.

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## Coe, Kenneth

**Nickname** Ken **Rate** S 1/c **Division** Amphibious  
**Spouse** Marion **Hometown** Syracuse  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1945 **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation** Meat Cutter  
**Special Hobbies** Bicycling, Fishing, Bowling  
**Favorite Memory** Shipmates  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Cross, Norman P

**Nickname**    **Rate** ET2    **Division**  
**Spouse** Janet    **Hometown** Wilkes-Barre, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                          **Years From** 1954-08                          **Years To** 1957-08  
**Civilian Occupation** Lockheed Martin Program Manager  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** 1956 Naples, Italy ship party. I was the Emcee  
**Worst Memory** Losing two shipmates who jumped ship while at sea near Crete.  
**Children** 4    **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments**

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## Crossley, Robert

**Nickname** Bob    **Rate** LTJG    **Division** Deck/Comm  
**Spouse** Barbara    **Hometown** Webberville, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                          **Years From** 1953                          **Years To** 1955  
**Civilian Occupation** Sales, Business management, sole proprietor  
**Special Hobbies** Music, Golf, Bridge  
**Favorite Memory** Good Jr. Officer Friends  
**Worst Memory** "Mustang" officer dept. heads who were passed over and drank too much!  
**Children** 2    **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Culotta, Samuel A

**Nickname**    **Rate** PM 3/c    **Division** Naval Assault/Beach  
**Spouse** Leah    **Hometown** Baltimore, MD  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                          **Years From** 1943                          **Years To** 1944  
**Civilian Occupation** Lawyer  
**Special Hobbies** Political and fraternal activities  
**Favorite Memory** Caring for the wounded in sick bay and sharing time with shipmates  
**Worst Memory** Assault invasions; Marshall, Mariana's, Philippine Islands  
**Children** 5    **Grandchildren** 7  
**Special Comments**

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## Daigle, Vincent P

**Nickname** Daigle                                 **Rate** S 2/c                                 **Division** Beach  
**Spouse** Dorothy                                 **Hometown** Ball Club, MN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                 **Years From** 1943-01                 **Years To** 1945-08  
**Civilian Occupation** Owned and operated a cabinet shop  
**Special Hobbies** Gardening, furniture, basket making  
**Favorite Memory** Enjoyed seeing the war from signal bridge  
**Worst Memory** Sleeping topside when bomb just missed  
**Children** 12                                 **Grandchildren** 25  
**Special Comments** I would like to contact any of the Navy Beach Party that served in 1944 & 1945

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## Dalgan, Vernon Dean

**Nickname** Dog Wrench                                 **Rate** GM 3/c                                 **Division** F  
**Spouse** Marcella                                 **Hometown** Elkton, MD  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                 **Years From** 1952-04                 **Years To** 1952-09  
**Civilian Occupation** General Motors  
**Special Hobbies** Reading and Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Getting Off  
**Worst Memory** Getting On-I went to NOB for release from duties in April and was sent to Cambria by a glitch. 6 Months later I was told that I was supposed to have been discharged in April and this is September. (I hope this explains the getting on & getting off.)  
**Children** 2                                 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments**

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## Dashnaw, Raymond J

**Nickname**   **Rate** BM3   **Division** 2nd-Boat Gp  
**Spouse** Linda   **Hometown** Ogdensburg, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                 **Years From** 1963                                 **Years To** 1965  
**Civilian Occupation** Aluminum Worker (Alcoa) Oilery  
**Special Hobbies** Sports and travel  
**Favorite Memory** All good memories!  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 3   **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Davenport, Clyde R

**Nickname** Dav **Rate** QM3 **Division** N  
**Spouse** Esther **Hometown** Dartmouth, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1953  
**Civilian Occupation** Teacher/School Administrator/College Professor  
**Special Hobbies** Gardening, Nature Studies, Art, Music, Mediterranean Cooking  
**Favorite Memory** New Year Eve in Naples, Italy, 1952  
**Worst Memory** The Argentina "Whiskey War"  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## Davenport, John A

**Nickname** Port **Rate** DC3 **Division** R  
**Spouse** Gloria **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1967 **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** Owner, Rockets Sports Outlet, Firearms Supplies  
**Special Hobbies** Full time firearms specialist  
**Favorite Memory** Visiting all the ports that we did. A lifetime of memories.  
**Worst Memory** Collision at sea with USS Shadwell. Also will never miss some of the chiefs that we served under. Thank God for the chiefs mess so he little as could hide in there.  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments** It was a tough time during the Viet Nam War.

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## DeAngelis, Anthony F

**Nickname** Tony **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division**  
**Spouse** Louise **Hometown** Worcester, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1962  
**Civilian Occupation** Business Owner  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Dederich, Jerome F

**Nickname** Jerry  
**Rate** SN **Division** QM  
**Spouse** Doris **Hometown** St Clair Shores, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1948-07 **Years To** 1949-06  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired from US Navy 30 yrs plus rank EA Rate SMCM  
**Special Hobbies** Golf/woodworking  
**Favorite Memory** So long ago I can't remember  
**Worst Memory** (90 days restriction for 6 hour V/A)  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Del Pidio, Michael

**Nickname** Mike **Rate** BM3 **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** Eugenia Marie **Hometown** Camden, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Master Plumber  
**Special Hobbies** Work and Fleet Reserve Association Branch 57  
**Favorite Memory** Crazy work on amphibious landings  
**Worst Memory** The last skipper I had before my separation from the service.  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments**

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## Delp, Gay C

**Nickname** **Rate** SK-2 **Division** Supply  
**Spouse** Spouse Deceased **Hometown** Woodlawn, VA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1957  
**Civilian Occupation** Postmaster, Retired, Galax, VA  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Liberty in Havana, Cuba July 1956  
**Worst Memory** Gaza Strip 11-2-56 11-3-56  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** I would like to see and share my memories with my friends that served on the USS Cambria APA-36 from 1955 - Feb 1957



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## DiDonato, Charles Dominick

**Nickname** Chuck    **Rate** Coxwain    **Division** L  
**Spouse** Kathryn    **Hometown** Bethlehem, Pa  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)    **Years From** 1943-11    **Years To** 1945-10  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired Bethlehem Fire Dept and Local Hospital Security Officer  
**Special Hobbies** YMCA, Gardening, Walking, Cooking, Sports of all kinds  
**Favorite Memory** The 1st invasion I participated in. The Marshall Island Invasion showed me how all our training and preparation worked out as planned. The friendship among crew & Officers.  
**Worst Memory** While maneuvering in the water expecting to be hoisted aboard after the 2nd or 3rd day of the invasion of Okinawa, my boat crew and I were ordered to report to the Beach Commander. Our ship pulled up anchor and went straight to San Francisco. Did not get back aboard until 3 months later. A number of LCVB boats & crewmen were affected by this order. We had no extra clothing except what we were wearing at the time. We did various assignments for the 3 months we spent on the Island. Lt Stanhope, boat crew Officer was also left behind. After 3 months, we were flown to Guam and then picked up a transport and sailed to San Francisco and back to the Cambria.  
**Children** 6    **Grandchildren** 19  
**Special Comments**

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## Digan, Bob

**Nickname**    **Rate** L/Cpl. USMC    **Division** 2nd Mar  
**Spouse**    **Hometown** Boston, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)    **Years From** 1964    **Years To** 1965  
**Civilian Occupation** Ministry  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Many : Coming into port, Looking out at all the ships on the horizon, looking at the waves break at the bow, especially returning from a Med cruise (Steel Pike 1). We took the Northern route and encountered a huge storm that I was very impressed by. I especially hold a great admiration and appreciation of the sailors that had the watch on the fantail on the deck during the storm-that was very impressive and much appreciated of what they do.  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2    **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## DiLieto, Nicholas M

**Nickname** Nick    **Rate** S 1/C    **Division** S1  
**Spouse** Gloria    **Hometown** Queens, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)    **Years From** 1943    **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Supt of Metal Prep for Fedders Corp  
**Special Hobbies** Wood Crafts  
**Favorite Memory** Working together with all the guys  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3    **Grandchildren** 7  
**Special Comments**

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## Dodd, Eugene G

**Nickname** Gene **Rate** YN3 **Division** X  
**Spouse** DeAnn **Hometown** Cincinnati, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1961  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired from GE Aircraft Engines  
**Special Hobbies** Flying, Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Operation Inland Seas-We visited many major cities on the Great Lakes and conducted landings for show.  
**Worst Memory** Making a night practice landing in very bad weather, so bad it was called off after all the boats were in the water.  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 10  
**Special Comments**

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## Dommissie, Ed

**Nickname** **Rate** ME3 **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** Joyce **Hometown** Sheboygan, WI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Geography Professor in the U. of Wisconsin System  
**Special Hobbies** Weather Observation, Gardening, Rock Collecting, Travel  
**Favorite Memory** Rescue of a UN Party from the Gaza Strip  
**Worst Memory** Fire that broke out when in a New York Shipyard for repair  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Donathan, David L

**Nickname** Dave **Rate** E-2 **Division** Marines  
**Spouse** Denise **Hometown** Gary, IN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1968  
**Civilian Occupation** Computer Consulting  
**Special Hobbies** Travel  
**Favorite Memory** Due to the collision with the USS Shadwell, we had to put into Naples for repairs. My buddy and I took leave, he spoke Italian so we had a treat time. Spent it in a little town called Positano.  
**Worst Memory** The huge swells crossing the Atlantic getting to the MED and the night of the collision with the Shadwell.  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Donley, Earl M

**Nickname** Rate S 1/C **Division** L Barge  
**Spouse** Patricia **Hometown** Tenney, MN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946-03  
**Civilian Occupation** Farming-9 Yrs, Service Station-23 Yrs  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing and Hunting  
**Favorite Memory** Trip from Tokyo to Seattle, WA. I think it took us 31 days to come across there. A couple of storms didn't help, but I did not mind  
**Worst Memory** Got caught in a typhoon coming from Tokyo, Japan to Seattle  
**Children** 6 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Dowell, Joseph L

**Nickname** Joe **Rate** SC3 **Division** Supply  
**Spouse** Joan **Hometown** Seattle, WA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation** Cook  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing, Hunting, Scuba  
**Favorite Memory** VJ Day San Pedro  
**Worst Memory** Saipan Night Bombing, 1944  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Dreier, Wayne T

**Nickname** **Rate** ETN2 **Division** CE  
**Spouse** Darla **Hometown** Toledo, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1969 **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** Truck Driver  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Drucker, Herbert

**Nickname** Herb   **Rate** EN3   **Division** A  
**Spouse** Roslyn   **Hometown** Brooklyn, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                         **Years From** 1951   **Years To** 1955  
**Civilian Occupation** Auto Repair  
**Special Hobbies** Computers, Traveling  
**Favorite Memory** The ship was always going somewhere  
**Worst Memory** My boat being lowered into the water and the engine wouldn't start because it was freezing cold  
**Children** 3   **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## Dubites, Thomas

**Nickname** Tom   **Rate** E7   **Division** E  
**Spouse** Rosemarie   **Hometown** Vestaburg, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                         **Years From** 1947   **Years To** 1957  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired Electrician  
**Special Hobbies** Woodwork  
**Favorite Memory** 1st Trip to Virgin Islands  
**Worst Memory** Mess Cooking  
**Children** 4   **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Eason, Calvin Stuart

**Nickname** Jeb Stuart   **Rate** Sgt (USMC)   **Division** 1st BN 6th Marines  
**Spouse** Ex-Carol   **Hometown** Shreveport, LA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                         **Years From** 1951-09   **Years To** 1952-02  
**Civilian Occupation** Nuclear Physicist  
**Special Hobbies** Radio and Computers  
**Favorite Memory** Bringing orphans from Athens, Greece on board for the Thanksgiving dinner 11/51  
**Worst Memory** Storm in the Med which cracked the hull of the CAMBRIA. Had to go to abandon ship stations at night  
**Children** 1   **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Eldred, Al Groat

**Nickname** Al **Rate** IC3 **Division** Electrician  
**Spouse** Barbara **Hometown** Omaha, NE  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1959-08 **Years To** 1962-01  
**Civilian Occupation** Worked 31 years at Kellogg Cereal  
**Special Hobbies** Golf  
**Favorite Memory** All the great guys I met while on board  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## Farmer, Malon E

**Nickname** Gene **Rate** Engineman **Division** Engineering  
**Spouse** Helen **Hometown** Clermont, FL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1950-08 **Years To** 1952-06  
**Civilian Occupation** Diesel Engineer  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing and Wood Crafts  
**Favorite Memory** Racing the landing craft LCVP in calm weather  
**Worst Memory** Landing soldiers on the beach in stormy weather  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments** . I have tried to locate Daniel Blaine Williamson for several years. If anyone knows where he is, please contact me. Thanks

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## Faron, Walter G

**Nickname** Shorty the Cook **Rate** CSI **Division** S  
**Spouse** Mary **Hometown** Buffalo, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943-11-10 **Years To** 1946-02-15  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired now  
**Special Hobbies** Woodworking & enjoying life  
**Favorite Memory** Many, many--seven invasions Majuro, Eniwetok, Saipan, Tinian, Leyte, Suzon, Okinawa  
**Worst Memory** Taking the occupation of Nagasaki, Japan after 2nd atomic bomb.  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**



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## Francis, William Manuel

**Nickname** Bill **Rate** SM 3/c **Division** Navy Flag, Navy Brid  
**Spouse** Nina **Hometown** Martinez, CA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1945-02 **Years To** 1945-12  
**Civilian Occupation** Past 15 years, commercial real estate sales/marketing. Prior 19 years, sales & marketing administration, development of adult/retirement communities. 15 Yrs Chamber of Commerce CEO  
**Special Hobbies** Community service via non-profit organizations, Sports "junkie" and golf.  
**Favorite Memory** Reporting aboard in Ulithi Lagoon, climbing the ladder and seeing the master at arms. Next to the OD was an old high school buddy from our hometown. Also, the action at Okinawa. And, the Japanese surrender of the Nagasaki region in our wardroom . Aboard Cambria in Nagasaki. We were the 1st US ship at Nagasaki following the A-bomb.  
**Worst Memory** Originally being transferred to her from the USS Noble, APA-218, as she was my 1st ship, and I was a member of the Plank Crew. But, the Cambria experience turned out OK.  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments** Hello Shipmates, especially members of the Navy Flag unit on the Cambria. Hope that life has been good for you since WWII and that you have been blessed with good health, happiness, peace, and especially love. With all that, then you have had success. If you remember the Water King aboard ship, he was Art Andrews of Martinez, Ca. Art and I were high school buddies there, and a sad note is that Art passed away several years ago in Sacramento, CA. God give rest to him, and all of our departed shipmates. Anchors Aweigh!. If you have photos to share of the signal bridge, or of Okinawa, or the Japanese surrender of the Nagasaki region aboard the Cambria, in the wardroom, while anchored in Nagasaki harbor...I would truly welcome a contact from you.  
Bill Francis  
35 Grandview Pl  
Walnut Creek, CA 94595

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## French, James E

**Nickname** Bill **Rate** MV.M.M. 1C **Division** A  
**Spouse** Gertie **Hometown** San Antonio, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Air force Supply  
**Special Hobbies** Golf, hunting , fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Signing of Peace Treaty - NAGASAKI  
**Worst Memory** Okinawa  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments** HI

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## Fuchs, Leonard

**Nickname** Len **Rate** Ph M 2/C **Division** Beach  
**Spouse** Roberta **Hometown** White Plains, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945-11  
**Civilian Occupation** Sales Rep.  
**Special Hobbies** Scouting, Stamp collecting, Volunteer work in Children's Hosp, Veterans Affairs  
**Favorite Memory** Shanghai  
**Worst Memory** Nagasaki  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Garrett, Robert G

**Nickname** Bob **Rate** QM2 **Division** Staff, Trans Div 24  
**Spouse** Ellen **Hometown** Creston, IA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1953  
**Civilian Occupation** Trucker  
**Special Hobbies** Boating and Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Leaving Cambria  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 14  
**Special Comments**

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## Gates, Jack L

**Nickname** Gates **Rate** S 1/c **Division** L  
**Spouse** Carolyn **Hometown** Oakland, CA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944-05 **Years To** 1946-02  
**Civilian Occupation** Commercial Artist 1946-1989. 43 Yrs in San Francisco, CA  
**Special Hobbies** Sports, Travel, Fishing, Art Work, Reading History and American Politics and Etc  
**Favorite Memory** That it was a good Ship with a very fine crew. Capt Dean was a good man  
**Worst Memory** In 1945 when we were in a typhoon near Okinawa  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments** It was great to serve with a great group of American young men!! God Bless You All.

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## Gentile, Frank A

**Nickname**                                      **Rate** S 1/c                                      **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** Frances                                      **Hometown** Brooklyn, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                      **Years From** 1945                                      **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation** Newspaper  
**Special Hobbies** Gardening & Baseball  
**Favorite Memory** Good times.....  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 4                                      **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments**

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## Gilligan, Martin Harold

**Nickname** Gill                                      **Rate** Seaman E-3                                      **Division** Deck  
**Spouse** Joan                                      **Hometown** Wilkes Barre, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                      **Years From** 1956-07                                      **Years To** 1957-11  
**Civilian Occupation** Sales Engineering/Marketing  
**Special Hobbies** Travel (Domestic & Foreign)  
**Favorite Memory** Liberty in Havana, Cuba (Pre Castro 1956)  
**Worst Memory** Landing the Marines in stormy weather Porto Scudo, Sardinia  
**Children** 3                                      **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Giudice, Frank

**Nickname**                                      **Rate** S 1/C SM                                      **Division**  
**Spouse** Spouse Deceased                                      **Hometown** Brooklyn, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                      **Years From** 1944-11                                      **Years To** 1946-02  
**Civilian Occupation** City of NY Dispatcher (Retired) Part Time Maintenance Medical Building (Now)  
**Special Hobbies** All Sports  
**Favorite Memory** There are many  
**Worst Memory** The storm of October 1945 leaving Japan  
**Children** 2                                      **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Gossett, Charles

**Nickname** Chuck    **Rate** Signalman Chief    **Division** Comm  
**Spouse** Audrey    **Hometown** Atlanta, GA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)    **Years From** 1954-06    **Years To** 1955-03  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired  
**Special Hobbies** Travel  
**Favorite Memory** Med Cruise, 1954  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 2    **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Guido, Vincent

**Nickname** Vinnie    **Rate** S 1/C    **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** Theresa    **Hometown** New York, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)    **Years From** 1943    **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** High School at time of enlistment  
**Special Hobbies** Walking, Reading  
**Favorite Memory** Crossing the Equator  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 2    **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Guild, Richard L

**Nickname** Dick    **Rate** ETN-2    **Division** CE  
**Spouse** Johnette    **Hometown** Arlington, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)    **Years From** 1966    **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** Telephone Co technician  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Liberty in Las Palmas Grand Canary Island after Apollo 7 deployment  
**Worst Memory** I missed the worst possible memory when I left the Cambria just before the collision with the USS Sandoval  
**Children** 1    **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Gustafson, Richard

**Nickname** Dic, Gus                      **Rate** QM3                      **Division** Navi  
**Spouse** Betty                              **Hometown** Boston  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)              **Years From** 1946              **Years To** 1948  
**Civilian Occupation** Marketing, Retired from Xerox  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children**              2                      **Grandchildren**              5  
**Special Comments**

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## Gwozdz, Adam S

**Nickname**                                      **Rate** SC2/C                      **Division**  
**Spouse** Jane                              **Hometown** Enfield, CT  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)              **Years From** 1943-11              **Years To** 1945-05  
**Civilian Occupation** Meat Dept Head 37 Yrs A&P, Wichita, KS  
**Special Hobbies** All sports, Many town functions, Social Clubs Cooking, Politics  
**Favorite Memory** Bringing back all our crew  
**Worst Memory** Okinawa  
**Children**              3                      **Grandchildren**              2  
**Special Comments**

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## Hadley, Nelson

**Nickname** Hads                              **Rate** EMFN                      **Division** E  
**Spouse** Marilyn                              **Hometown** Suffern, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)              **Years From** 1962              **Years To** 1963  
**Civilian Occupation** Electrical Contractor  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Cuban Blockade  
**Worst Memory** Cuban Crisis  
**Children**              3                      **Grandchildren**              3  
**Special Comments**

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## Hale, Alfred B

**Nickname** Al **Rate** Seaman E-3 **Division** X  
**Spouse** Brenda **Hometown** Portsmouth, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1965-08 **Years To** 1966-12  
**Civilian Occupation** Transportation Officer for a major railroad  
**Special Hobbies** Collecting old railroad memorabilia  
**Favorite Memory** Being transferred off of it  
**Worst Memory** Seeing it for the first time  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments**

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## Halstead, Richard A

**Nickname** Rick **Rate** RM3 **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** Spouse Deceased **Hometown** Syracuse, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1952  
**Civilian Occupation** Sales-Used Car Dealer  
**Special Hobbies** Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Med Cruise  
**Worst Memory** Accident at sea. Loss of life in lowering an LCVP  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Hamby, Richmond P

**Nickname** **Rate** FA-BT2 **Division** B  
**Spouse** Janice **Hometown** Sarasota, FL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1965  
**Civilian Occupation** Paving, Grading, Drainage Contractor  
**Special Hobbies** Boating, Fishing, Diving  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory** Cuban Crisis  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Hamilton, Robert W

**Nickname**  
**Spouse**  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Deep sea salvage, part-time carpenter  
**Special Hobbies** Traveling, woodworking  
**Favorite Memory** Making a rate  
**Worst Memory** Working until 2100  
**Children** 2                      **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments** See you there

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## Hancox, Jack D

**Nickname**  
**Spouse** Doris  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired Clergyman (Pastor, Missionary) 30 Yrs overseas with a Mission Board  
**Special Hobbies** Mountain lore, Longtime Counselor  
**Favorite Memory** At Saipan two of our guys came bursting into the radio shack yelling "We are being strafed. Our Air Officer kept calmly twisting his red handlebar must ash "Straffing Hell, that was a 500 Lb bomb!"  
**Worst Memory** When men brought aboard who had been hit with flame throwers  
**Children** 4                      **Grandchildren** 15 GG 1& 1/2  
**Special Comments**

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## Harding, James E

**Nickname**  
**Spouse** Allene  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Maintenance Mechanic  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children**                      **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Harless, Charles W

**Nickname** Chuck **Rate** RM3 **Division** CR  
**Spouse** Christina **Hometown** New Cumberland, WV  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1966 **Years To** 1968  
**Civilian Occupation** Elect/Mech Technician (solar)  
**Special Hobbies** Cars, Motorcycles, Bicycles, Kayaks, RV, Private Pilot  
**Favorite Memory** Exploring different countries and local customs. Sight seeing wherever we ended up.  
All the good times in the Radio division getting to know other sailors.  
**Worst Memory** Time in mess cooking. Waste of my time, but had to be done  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments** This wasn't the place I wanted to be at this time in my life, but I will never be sorry  
for experiencing it. It changed my outlook on life. It kick started my future.

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## Harris, Arthur. B

**Nickname** Art **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division** Medical  
**Spouse** Bettie **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Dentist  
**Special Hobbies** Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Nagasaki-Aug 1945  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Harter, Perry R

**Nickname** **Rate** RMSN **Division** CR  
**Spouse** Sharon **Hometown** Ft Wayne, IN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** QC Inspection (wire mill), GE Co  
**Special Hobbies** Walking, Yard Work, Gardening, Travel, Watching Sports  
**Favorite Memory** Softball pitcher on ships team  
**Worst Memory** Mess cook  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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**Head, Craig**

**Nickname**   **Rate** E-3   **Division**  
**Spouse** Melody   **Hometown** Summitville, IN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                         **Years From** 1966-09                         **Years To** 1968-09  
**Civilian Occupation** Construction Management  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Making friends and seeing the world. How other people lived.  
**Worst Memory** Hangovers.  
**Children** 2   **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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**Hempel, Ronald**

**Nickname** Ron   **Rate** BMSN   **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** Sandra   **Hometown** Annadale, Staten Island, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                         **Years From** 1951-11                         **Years To** 1955-04  
**Civilian Occupation** Bus Driver  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 6   **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments** It will really be great seeing all you guy's again.

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**Henry, Jr, Andrew B**

**Nickname** Henry, Duke, Hank                         **Rate** EM3   **Division** E  
**Spouse** Donna   **Hometown** Alexandria, VA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                         **Years From** 1963   **Years To** 1966  
**Civilian Occupation** Supervisor of Substations, Virginia Power Electric Utility  
**Special Hobbies** Car Racing, Travel, Military History  
**Favorite Memory** 1st Med Cruise  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 2   **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments** Looking forward to seeing everyone - crewmen I served with and the one before and after me!

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## Herman, Richard W

**Nickname** Herm **Rate** RM2 **Division** CR  
**Spouse** Shirley **Hometown** Minneapolis, MN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1966-12 **Years To** 1969-12  
**Civilian Occupation** Social Worker  
**Special Hobbies** Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Friendships made  
**Worst Memory** Collision at sea with USS SHADWELL (LSD-15)  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Hernday, Raymond

**Nickname** Ray **Rate** RMC **Division**  
**Spouse** Loretta **Hometown** Jefferson, WI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943-09 **Years To** 1945-08  
**Civilian Occupation** 39 years TV/Radio broadcast engineering-Milwaukee WTMJ-TV CH 4, WTMJ-AM  
WGTI-FM  
Retired July 1986  
**Special Hobbies** Sailing, canoe, cross country ski, ham radio, camping, music  
**Favorite Memory** Heading back to States from Pacific operations to San Francisco where my wife was  
working  
**Worst Memory** Japanese suicide planes diving at us, wounded Marines coming aboard from Saipan  
landing  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments** I was on the commissioning crew of the Cambria at Hoboken, NJ and we took a load  
of African American soldiers around through the canal and out to Pearl Harbor. After  
that we took part in the Marshall Island campaign followed by Saipan/Tinian Islands,  
Leyte Gulf & Lingayen Gulf in the Philippines, then Okinawa after which the ship  
came back to the states for some retrofitting and I was transferred ashore to a CG  
radio station at Pointe Vicente, Ca until I shipped out. I was a Chief Radioman  
throughout the Pacific campaign. I am 86 as of Sept 2nd and still going strong.

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## Heyder, William R

**Nickname** Bill **Rate** E-5 **Division** Marine Engineer  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Sarasota, FL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1969 **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** SAMI, Firearms Instructor  
**Special Hobbies** Guns  
**Favorite Memory** The ship's candy store, where I worked both day and night!  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Heyn, Donald R

**Nickname** Lt **Division** M  
**Spouse** Spouse Deceased **Hometown** New York City  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1945 **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation** Boiler and Machinery Inspection for legal and insurance purposes  
**Special Hobbies** Golf, model railroad, renovating old houses for the homeless  
**Favorite Memory** Landing Marines at Nagasaki  
**Worst Memory** Escapade of two seamen at Nagasaki, committing rape and murder  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 15  
**Special Comments** I am not interested in reunions--what's done is done--it's over.

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## Hilliard, John H

**Nickname** Jack **Rate** BM3 **Division** 3rd  
**Spouse** Mary Ann **Hometown** Lowell, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Machinist & Mechanical Inspector  
**Special Hobbies** Genealogy  
**Favorite Memory** Liked being at sea. The Med. Liked my short time on USS Shanador, a small PC ship for 2 weeks, DDE Ship for two weeks. At the helm coming in a port, Movies on board, refueling at sea and receiving movies at sea.  
**Worst Memory** Norfolk, VA  
**Children** 6 **Grandchildren** 13  
**Special Comments**

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## Hodges, David

**Nickname** Ensign **Division** Disbursing  
**Spouse** Linda **Hometown** Jacksonville, FL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** Business Owner  
**Special Hobbies** Sports fan  
**Favorite Memory** Seeing Dentist wearing Bos'n's uniform with sword  
**Worst Memory** Collision at sea near Malta  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 9  
**Special Comments**

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## Holder, Alvin

**Nickname** Slim **Rate** Boat Cox Swain **Division** L  
**Spouse** Judy **Hometown** Hawthorne, CA  
**Ship** USCG CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** **Years To**  
**Civilian Occupation** Truck Driver  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Going to Pearl after the Okinawa invasion- The state side  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Holliday, Robert

**Nickname** Bob **Rate** Cox **Division** Boat Crew  
**Spouse** Pat **Hometown** Poland, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1946-03 **Years To** 1946-06  
**Civilian Occupation** Professor  
**Special Hobbies** Boating  
**Favorite Memory** Putting to good use my LCM-handling experience at Okinawa and South Pacific  
**Worst Memory** 4 hours in the Norfolk jail after an unintentional beach party  
**Children** 4+4 Step **Grandchildren** 14  
**Special Comments**

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## Hopkins, Charles F

**Nickname** Hoppie **Rate** SK I/C **Division** Supply  
**Spouse** Dixie **Hometown** Marble Hill, MO  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation** Operated our family owned Retail Stores, Furniture, Appliances, Hardware & Super Market  
**Special Hobbies** Antique Retailing and Appraisal  
**Favorite Memory** Mostly the friendships we made and have continued with some. Returning safe and sound was a grateful experience. Seeing and being a part of all the activity was priceless.  
**Worst Memory** One special attack by the Japanese planes when we had been targeted for destruction, but luckily they failed again.  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Houston, Richard W

**Nickname** Rate RM3/E4 **Division**  
**Spouse** Lucy **Hometown** Bronx, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1967-12 **Years To** 1970-09  
**Civilian Occupation** UBS Financial Services-Sr. Associate-IRS Reporting Dept.

### Special Hobbies

**Favorite Memory** Traveling to the Med, and other parts of the world. Seeing close up and personal how the world lives. Meeting all kinds of people, their customs. This also showed me how important our country is, and how proud and lucky I am to be an American. God Bless the USA!!! We also participated in the making of the movie "Patton" with George C. Scott, landing the troops on the beaches and providing support.

**Worst Memory** Collision in the Mediterranean Sea after departing the Island of Malta. Underway, about 2 AM that same evening, an incorrect maneuver by another transport in our task force, crossed our bow at an unsafe distance and caused us to collide with them. No casualties, but had various injuries on both ships. We penetrated their hull in one of their berthing compartments and it was a miracle that the section breeched had all their personnel in this section standing the mid-watch. We returned to Malta for repairs to the crushed bow, and had great libs.

**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0

### Special Comments

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## Huff, John C

**Nickname** Rate SN **Division**  
**Spouse** Helen **Hometown** Houston, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1970  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired

### Special Hobbies

### Favorite Memory

### Worst Memory

**Children** 6 **Grandchildren** 1

### Special Comments

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## Huff, Ronald L

**Nickname** Ron **Rate** GMG2 **Division** G  
**Spouse** Roylene **Hometown** Anahuac, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1967 **Years To** 1968  
**Civilian Occupation** Oil Field

**Special Hobbies** Golf, Fishing, Hiking, Biking, Motorcycling, Traveling

**Favorite Memory** Apollo 7 assignment

**Worst Memory** Ship filming movie Patton

**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 4

### Special Comments

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## Jackson, Richard L

**Nickname** Jack **Rate** SN-EN3 **Division** A  
**Spouse** Mary **Hometown** Pittsfield, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1957-08 **Years To** 1960-09  
**Civilian Occupation** Draftsman  
**Special Hobbies** Computer, Photography, Woodcarving  
**Favorite Memory** I elected to stay on mess cooking as long as I could. Almost a year until I made EN3. I didn't like the boat shop, loved cooking. Would love to hear from any of the crew and get my hands on the 1956 Cruise book that came out just before I went aboard in Nov 1957 in Sicily. Made 2 Med Cruises and the St. Lawrence Seaway trip. Love all of the memories. God Bless us all. RIP Darryl Buckner.  
**Worst Memory** Losing SN Miller overboard on that cruise  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments** I was the guy who hated working on engines and volunteered for Mess Cooking PT almost 2 years straight. The best years of my life. I am thrilled that some still feel the same way. Also, I am looking for a 1956 Cruise Book, if any still exists.

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## Jacobs, Morton

**Nickname** **Rate** Lt/Lcdr **Division** Dental  
**Spouse** Masaku **Hometown** Brooklyn, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1965  
**Civilian Occupation** Dentist  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** 2 Med Cruises  
**Worst Memory** Not enough time in home port  
**Children** **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## James, Charles Eugene

**Nickname** Chuck **Rate** PN2 **Division** X  
**Spouse** Bernice **Hometown** Rockhill Furnace, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1957 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Commercial bank employee  
**Special Hobbies** Sports, music, and stage plays  
**Favorite Memory** Howard Bartlemy and someone else taught Vernon Gaskill and me how to play pinochle. The first couple times Bartlemy and the other person beat us but after that we beat them "all the time."  
**Worst Memory** A Supply Division Officer on a weekend made me do a chore (under threat of being put on report) that should have been done by someone from the Supply Department. The Executive Officer said on Monday that the Supply Officer was in the wrong. I decided after that incident that I would never reenlist.  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**



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## Jernigan, Charlie F

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| <b>Nickname</b>  | <b>Rate</b> EM2          | <b>Division</b> |
| <b>Spouse</b> Sally                                      | <b>Hometown</b> Dunn, NC |                 |
| <b>Ship</b> USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                         | <b>Years From</b>        | <b>Years To</b> |
| <b>Civilian Occupation</b> US Government Printing Office |                          |                 |

### Special Hobbies

**Favorite Memory** I fixed an oven in the galley that had not worked for years, according to the cooks. When it worked, the cooks gave me a bucket of peanut butter ice cream. I took it back to the electric shop and everyone dug in for all the ice cream they could eat. I just wish they would have given me chocolate.

**Worst Memory** Getting shots when we left Norfolk for the Med. Then having GQ called, my GQ station was the Emergency Generator room. When the EG was fired up, it got hot and noisy and I proceeded to get sick. And it was only the second day of the cruise.

**Children** 4                      **Grandchildren** 2

**Special Comments** Six Months in 1962

In May, 1962, I was stationed at the Harbor Entrance Control Base at Fort Story, VA. I had only six months left on my four year tour of duty. I was fully expecting to have spent four years of service to my country on shore duty. The only ship I had been on was a barracks ship in Charleston, SC and a destroyer that a friend of mine was stationed on. After seeing the living conditions on a destroyer, I was really grateful to have been assigned shore duty. Destroyers are hot, cramped and smell like fuel oil.

Anyway, out of the blue I received orders to report for duty on the USS Cambria APA 36 in Norfolk for the duration of my enlistment. To say I was shocked was a bit of an understatement. I had been living in a converted ammunition bunker on an Army base for three years. I didn't know anything about the Navy, I wasn't sure I even had a complete uniform. There were only

15 sailors attached to HECB, a 1st class Bosun's mate was the ranking officer. We ate in the Army chow hall. Uniform of the day was what ever you had that was clean, generally dungarees, chambray shirt, Army combat boots and field jacket. In the summer uniform of the day was cut off dungarees, a tee shirt and sneakers. We exercised by running the Army obstacle course, usually faster than the soldiers. All in all it was pretty good duty. Then this transfer bomb was dropped on me. I borrowed parts and pieces of a uniform to make me acceptable and went to Little Creek, VA to fill out my sea bag to the point of acceptability, first I had to buy a sea bag, long ago I had traded mine for an almost new Army field jacket with liner and two pair of winter socks.

Back at Fort Story I began to read my Blue Jackets Manual to see what I should do to prepare myself for sea duty. Little items like how do you pack a sea bag, what you do when you walk up the gangplank of a ship, which end of the ship is the flag on so I know which way to salute. It was a dramatic awakening. I was a 2nd Class electrician that only knew about shipboard electrical systems what I had learned from books and Electricians school. I had spent three years changing light bulbs, maintaining emergency diesel generators, running new circuits for lights, standing radar watches and installing the PO's lounge stereo system. I was not prepared for this sea duty stuff. I had some serious studying to do before I would be ready for this "Down to the sea in ships" adventure.

In May I appeared on the quarterdeck of the Cambria in my freshly purchased dress blues, with a sea bag that still had creases in it and a white hat that had no shape at all. To say I was apprehensive would be a gross understatement, I was a nervous wreck. I saluted the Flag, the OD and asked permission to come aboard.

I was welcomed aboard by the OD and escorted to the Bosun's office. I don't remember to much about him except he was short, had a bushy mustache, was overweight, had a star tattooed on his ear lobe, a dotted line around his neck with the words "Cut Here" and a naked woman on his left forearm. This did not seem to be a

good omen. He introduced himself then led me back to the Electricians sleeping compartment. It was located at the stern of the ship, just forward of the laundry and almost directly above the ships propeller.

It was mid afternoon; there was no one in the compartment except the compartment cleaner, a fireman apprentice named "Tick". A short, skinny, sweaty, dirty person from West Virginia. He showed me the empty bunks I could choose from and where my sea locker was located. After I unpacked he said he would take me to the Electrician's work shop and introduce me to the crew.

The "Crew" consisted of a Chief Electrician, a 1st Class electrician, a 2nd Class electrician, two 3rd class electricians and three "Strikers". The chief was called "Chief", I don't recall the 1st class name, the 2nd class was "Keys" the 3rd class was "Barry" and "Scoop", the "Strikers" were "Tick", the other names elude me. I wondered what Nom de plume would be given me.

I settled into shipboard life as well as could be expected of a sailor that had never been to sea. There was a great steel ship I needed to learn.

Important things like, where was the galley, what "Water Hours" meant, which way do I go on a ladder, up/forward, down/aft. Then there was this port and starboard thing that was constantly being referred to. I had this uneasy feeling this was not going to be a walk in the park.

Then it was the dawning of the second day, I awoke to the blare of screeching sounds that jolted me into consciousness, heart pounding, ear drum bursting intensity that I would learn to dread with each new day, "Reveille, reveille, all hands on deck, sweepers man your brooms, give a clean sweep down fore and aft"; the screeching went on and on and on for what seemed like hours. This was not the way I was accustomed to starting my day, I assumed this is just the way it is at sea, I would have to cope.

I received my assignments for the fundamental duties aboard ship, Abandon Ship Station, General Quarters Station, and watch section.

On day two I learned we were departing for the Mediterranean for a six months cruise. Now cruise I could relate to, setting on the fantail, soaking up some sun, exotic ports of call in the blue Mediterranean, cool drinks on a hot afternoon, dropping a line for some recreational late afternoon fishing. Alas, the U.S. Navy and I do not share the same interpretation of the phrase "Cruise the Mediterranean".

The Marines started coming on board, and they came, and they came and they came, there must have been 1,000s of them. They were everywhere. You had to step over them in the passageways, they perched on the lifelines, they clogged up the showers, they exercised on the decks, they would fight just for the fun of it, they were like ants attacking a picnic. Rude, crude, lewd, mean and ugly, so this was the few, the proud, the Marines. Little did I know they were going through the same anxiety that I was. Two days later we cast off our lines and headed east across the Atlantic, the skies clear, the sea smooth as glass. I was ordered to Sickbay for shots. When I left Sickbay, inoculated against every disease known to man, some not known and some yet to be discovered, I was sure no germ would come within a mile of me.

Six hours later we had our first "General Quarters". I was feeling a little woozy from my shots as I headed for my "GQ" station, the "Emergency Generator Room". Room is an exaggeration, it was a eight by fourteen foot grey steel box with a six by twelve foot diesel motor/generator set in the middle of it. The engineman assigned with me told me to shut the watertight door as he fired up the behemoth diesel. As the temperature in the box went up, so did my lunch. The engineman began discussing in no uncertain terms, the legitimacy of my birth and number of parents legally married. He was not pleased with my attempt at masking the odor of diesel fuel with disgorged liver and onions. No sooner had I regained my sense of sight (my head was out of the bucket) and was able to breathe than the "Abandon Ship" alarm was sounded. Pale as a ghost, sick as a dog and dizzy as frog on bad mushrooms, topside I go to my "Abandon Ship" station. As soon as I opened the watertight door on the main deck, I'm hit by a blast of fresh, cool ocean air. Two steps and I am outside and rounding the corner of the superstructure, I see the decks covered with sailors and Marines, scurrying for their stations, dressed in life jackets in ways a life jacket was never designed to be worn or could be worn. Then I saw light reflecting from a sheen on the deck, men where slipping on this sheen, sliding in all directions, tripping other sailors

and Marines as they hurried to their station. It was then I saw a Marine make a contribution to the sheen, then I lost my breakfast and a couple of meals I ate the day before. No hands were lost, the ship did not sink, it was only a drill.

The rest of the trip east was uneventful with one exception. We were near the Sargasso Sea when the electrical shop was notified the Masthead light was out. "Chief" asked for a volunteer to change the light, no one seemed interested in this rare opportunity. It should be noted the Masthead light is on top of the tallest piece of metal on the Cambria, a steel tube about 8 inches in diameter, with steps welded to each side. The light must be close to 100 feet above the waterline. To change the light you needed two light bulbs, a safety belt, a six inch spanner, no fear of height and no regard for your life. I volunteered; I concluded if my peers would witness this act of unabashed bravery, I would certainly be elevated to God status. Up the steel spire I go, holding on for dear life and not daring to look down. As I scale the precipice, I can see inside the landing craft, cradled on top the hatch covers, then I am level with the bridge, I wave nervously at the helmsman (he doesn't wave back), I cross over the spar, I have an unimpeded view of the entire ship, bow to stern. The view from the Masthead is something you never forget, you look over the ocean and can see all ships in the fleet, including the Destroyer that crossed your bow about a mile ahead. You can see the wake of the Destroyer as it approaches the bow of the Cambria, then you see the bow of the Cambria as it gently rises, then as it crosses the wake, the Cambria pitches ever so gently to port. 100 feet above the waterline, the pitch is amplified, anyone on top of the mast at this point should be holding on for dear life. I wet my pants, my God status was reduced to a level of whale poop. I stayed on top of the mast, pretending to have difficulty removing the Masthead light lens, until my pants dried enough to be presentable. "Chief" wanted to know what took so long, was I sight seeing? I told him I was just enjoying the view. I didn't get God status, it was suggested I was somewhat nuts.

The "Cruise" stopped at Valencia and Barcelona, Spain; Naples and Livorno, Italy; Cannes, France; Valletta, Malta; Messina and Palermo, Sicily; Athens, Greece and Izmir, Turkey, If there had ever been a more perfect cruise for a shore duty sailor, I just don't know where it could have been.

We left the "Med" in October. Except for running through a hurricane on the way back it was an uneventful trip. During the hurricane, I could look out the port hole in the film storage room on the port side of the ship (now that makes sense, but shouldn't holes on the starboard side of the ship be starboard holes?). You haven't lived until you look across a storm tossed sea and watch a Destroyer hit a wave, go completely out of sight under the water then bob back up to the top like a cork. I slept like a baby, grateful I was not aboard a Destroyer, lulled to sleep by the shoop, shoop, shoop of the propeller as it came out of the water as the ship passed over the crest of a wave. The Cambria, sturdy lady that she was, only lost a landing craft.

The Cambria was supposed to go to Morehead City to drop off the Marines, we went directly to Norfolk to start replenishment and load live ammunition. After all, it was October 23, 1962, the Cuban Missile crisis was on, the great war lady was heading for picket duty on the coast of Cuba. I was discharged on the 23rd so I went home and missed out on a great adventure aboard a great ship, of all I have done in my life, this I regret the most.

A picture of the Cambria is on my office wall.

Chuck Jernigan EM2  
USS Cambria APA 36  
May 1962 through October 1962

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## Kaufman, Lawrence E

**Nickname** Bud   **Rate** HM   **Division** Marines  
**Spouse** Virginia   **Hometown** Rochester, Pa  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1951   **Years To** 1952  
**Civilian Occupation** Waste Water treatment, Plant Operator 24 Yrs  
**Special Hobbies** Reading, Wood Projects, Grandchildren, Great Grandson, Walking my dog, Green Bay Packer football  
**Favorite Memory** Naples, Italy-1951 Orphans on board for Christmas party.  
**Worst Memory** Putting drunk Marines to bed when they left sick bay  
**Children** 4   **Grandchildren** 5 GG1  
**Special Comments**

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## Keifer, Frank E

**Nickname**   **Rate** FN (PNSN)   **Division**  
**Spouse** Margaret   **Hometown** Adrian, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1948   **Years To** 1949  
**Civilian Occupation** Self-employed licensed tax consultant--income tax preparation service  
**Special Hobbies** Outdoor activities  
**Favorite Memory** My brother and I were stationed aboard Cambria together--Decommissioning of Cambria 6-30-49 in Portsmouth Navy Yard.  
**Worst Memory** It's decommissioning and reassignment of all crew members; losing track of old shipmates--crew was like family members  
**Children** 1   **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Keller, Thuril G

**Nickname**   **Rate** BM3   **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** Margaret   **Hometown** Alexandria, VA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1960   **Years To** 1962  
**Civilian Occupation** Crane Operator  
**Special Hobbies** Gardening, Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Med. Cruises  
**Worst Memory** Death of Shipmate, Larry Hutton  
**Children** 6   **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Kester, Raymond D

**Nickname** Rate CWO2 **Division** COM  
**Spouse** Spouse Deceased **Hometown** Portland, OR  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952  
**Civilian Occupation** Tele Communications/Electronics  
**Special Hobbies** Radio, Reading, Travel  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 7  
**Special Comments**

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## Kidd, Wayne E

**Nickname** Rate **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Galloway, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1953  
**Civilian Occupation**  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Kiley, Thomas C

**Nickname** Tom **Rate** SN **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** Kristine **Hometown** Downers Grove, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1960  
**Civilian Occupation** Machinist/Set up Man and Inspector  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing, Video Taping, Traveling to new places, and I am an avid reader  
**Favorite Memory** My first Cruise to the Caribbean (Havana)  
**Worst Memory** 1958 Asian Flu out break in the North Atlantic on the way to the Mediterranean.  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Kinsel, Charles A

**Nickname** Rate BT3 **Division** B  
**Spouse** Joan **Hometown** Linden, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1955  
**Civilian Occupation** Insurance and construction  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Kirk, Charles (Chuck) E

**Nickname** Chuck **Rate** BM3 **Division** Boat Gp  
**Spouse** Karen **Hometown** Dayton, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1966  
**Civilian Occupation** Security Supervisor @ DOE Site  
**Special Hobbies** Singing, Crafts, Genealogy  
**Favorite Memory** Boat Group Department  
**Worst Memory** Carrying an additional mooring line from forward to aft to Med moor in the winter in Genoa, Italy  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## Kistner, Gary R

**Nickname** **Rate** RM2 **Division** CR  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Zelienople, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1959 **Years To** 1962  
**Civilian Occupation** Realtor  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Klein, Henry A

**Nickname** Rate SN **Division**  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Sarasota, FL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1959  
**Civilian Occupation** Funeral Director  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Getting to see the world.  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Kowalewski, Robert

**Nickname** Ski **Rate** EN3 **Division** A  
**Spouse** Ann **Hometown** Newark, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Buyer for Sherwin Williams Paint Co  
**Special Hobbies** Sports  
**Favorite Memory** Meeting all new friends  
**Worst Memory** Getting sea sick for the first time  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments** If the Good Lord spares, would like to see everyone next year and every year thereafter.

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## Kruger, David S

**Nickname** **Rate** LTJG **Division** F and 3rd  
**Spouse** Marilyn **Hometown** Niagara Falls, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Many different ones--EMT, Police Officer, Cabinet maker, electrician  
**Special Hobbies** None  
**Favorite Memory** Hitting the beach in Italy  
**Worst Memory** Refresher training at GTMO  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 17  
**Special Comments**

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## **Kulibert, Donald I**

**Nickname** Bert/Koolie                                      **Rate** SK3                                      **Division** Supply  
**Spouse** Marcia    **Hometown** Fond du Lac, WI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                              **Years From** 1966                              **Years To** 1968  
**Civilian Occupation** United Parcel Service Driver  
**Special Hobbies** Camping, Photography  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4    **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## **Kurnath, Kenneth**

**Nickname** Ken    **Rate** 3rd S.S.                                      **Division** S  
**Spouse** Marianne    **Hometown** Clifton  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                              **Years From** 1950-08                              **Years To** 1954-06  
**Civilian Occupation** Elementary School Principal  
**Special Hobbies** Officiating High School Sports  
**Favorite Memory** Med. Cruise  
**Worst Memory** Nel Landon's Death aboard ship  
**Children** 2    **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## **Lang, Carroll L**

**Nickname** Chips    **Rate** Lt (jg)                                      **Division** Land  
**Spouse** Jane    **Hometown** Downey, CA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                              **Years From** 1943                              **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Assist Professor Administration/Supervisor Higher education, School Personnel  
Administrator  
**Special Hobbies** Gardening, Reading  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2    **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**



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## Laurent, Jr, Raoul J

**Nickname** Frenchie   **Rate** FP2   **Division** R  
**Spouse** Carolyn   **Hometown** Gramercy, LA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1955   **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Fitter/Welder, Equipment Inspector  
**Special Hobbies** Wood Working, Hunting, Fishing Genealogy  
**Favorite Memory** Sneaking a bottle to the SF Shop New Years Eve 1955  
**Worst Memory** Anchored off of Little Creek and no liberty  
**Children** 4   **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Lawrence, Robert J

**Nickname** Bob   **Rate** RM3   **Division** OR  
**Spouse** Paula   **Hometown** Dryden, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1963-11   **Years To** 1965-09  
**Civilian Occupation** Telecommunications  
**Special Hobbies** Playing a part time farmer  
**Favorite Memory** Navy life in general  
**Worst Memory** Early hour handing drills  
**Children** 4   **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## LeDoux, P.G.

**Nickname**   **Rate** CQM   **Division** Bridge  
**Spouse** Anna   **Hometown** Newport, RI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1943-11   **Years To** 1945-06  
**Civilian Occupation** Purchasing Agent at private shipyard after retirement  
**Special Hobbies** Sports, traveling  
**Favorite Memory** Commissioning ceremony--Nov, 1943, Todd's Shipyard, Hoboken, NJ  
**Worst Memory** D-Day Okinawa--Sunday April 1, 1945 and the ten following days of kamikazes  
**Children** 3   **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**



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## Mackiewicz, William

**Nickname** Mack **Rate** S 1/C **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Center Moriches, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** Comm **Years To**  
**Civilian Occupation** Plumber, Retired  
**Special Hobbies** Keeping Grandkids happy  
**Favorite Memory** The way we got things done  
**Worst Memory** Broken Leg (Luzon)  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Macomber, Francis X

**Nickname** Frank **Rate** S 1/c **Division** Boat  
**Spouse** Lillian **Hometown** Medford, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943 **Years To** 1944  
**Civilian Occupation** Mechanical Inspector  
**Special Hobbies** Sports  
**Favorite Memory** Going through Panama Canal  
**Worst Memory** 1st day loading boats  
**Children** 9 **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments**

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## Mantell, Jr., Henry S

**Nickname** Hank **Rate** S 3/c **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Troy, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Salesman  
**Special Hobbies** Music  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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### Markajani, William J

**Nickname** Mark   **Rate** SN   **Division** 3rd  
**Spouse** Yolanda   **Hometown** Rochester, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                 **Years From** 1953                                 **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Machine wiring electrician  
**Special Hobbies** Bowling, golf  
**Favorite Memory** The 1954 Med Cruise  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 6   **Grandchildren** 7  
**Special Comments**

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### Marzolla, Anthony M.

**Nickname** Tony   **Rate** LTJG   **Division** M  
**Spouse** Jeanne   **Hometown** Ft Lee, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                 **Years From** 1943-12-04                                 **Years To** 1945-08-21  
**Civilian Occupation** Petroleum Industry Mgr/Exec  
**Special Hobbies** Volunteer work/Business Consultant  
**Favorite Memory** Entering Golden Gate at dawn, 1944  
**Worst Memory** Under air/surface attack, South Pacific  
**Children** 2   **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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### Mason, Darrell R

**Nickname**   **Rate** BM2   **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** Velma   **Hometown** Fairfield, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                 **Years From** 1954                                 **Years To** 1955  
**Civilian Occupation** Fire Dept. - Retired  
**Special Hobbies** Travel, coins collecting  
**Favorite Memory** My first trip to Med. was on this ship  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2   **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** Looking forward to seeing some of my old shipmates after 40 years.

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## Massarini, Arthur J

**Nickname** Maz **Rate** RD2 **Division** RADAR  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Jersey City, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1951-06 **Years To** 1955-02  
**Civilian Occupation** Accountant  
**Special Hobbies** Sports, Reading  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## Mauboules, John David

**Nickname** MO **Rate** MMC **Division** M  
**Spouse** Margaret **Hometown** San Antonio, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1970 **Years To** 1971  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired HVAC  
**Special Hobbies** Bowling, Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Serving onboard  
**Worst Memory** Decommissioning  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Mazzeo, Michael S

**Nickname** **Rate** SK2 **Division**  
**Spouse** Judy C. **Hometown** Hammonton, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1963  
**Civilian Occupation** Life Insurance CLU, CHFC  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** November 1962: We were returning from a Med cruise. We were suppose to disembark Marines at Morehead City, NC. We were told that the weather was to rough & we were headed to Norfolk VA. We got to Norfolk, and dependents were waiting on the pier, but no-one was allowed to leave the ship. We loaded provisions, ammunication, armored vests etc. Next morning we were in the middle of the Cuban blockade. I went on deck and couldn't count all the ships around us. Most of the crew didn't know what was going on until that morning.  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments**

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## McAdoo, Hosea W

**Nickname** Mickey   **Rate** LT   **Division** H&D  
**Spouse** Shirley   **Hometown** No Little Rock AR  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1967   **Years To** 1968  
**Civilian Occupation** Physician  
**Special Hobbies** R/C Models  
**Favorite Memory** The truly hard working, dedicated people I served with. They were the best I ever met  
**Worst Memory** Ruptured eardrums, both, on the descent to Palermo airport just before I reported to the Cambria.  
**Children** 3   **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** My time in the Navy molded my life. I grew up. I wouldn't trade it for anything.

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## McGhee, Vaughn H

**Nickname** Sam   **Rate** RM   **Division** 24  
**Spouse** Nancy   **Hometown** Jefferson City, TN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1952   **Years To** 1954  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired School Principal  
**Special Hobbies** Reading, Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Med Cruise  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3   **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments**

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## McKeon, James C

**Nickname** Jim   **Rate** RM2   **Division** CR  
**Spouse** Kim   **Hometown** Norristown, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1958-11   **Years To** 1961-10  
**Civilian Occupation** General Motors Auto Dealerships  
**Special Hobbies** Golf, Travel, Granddaughters  
**Favorite Memory** Operation "Inland Seas" when opened the St Lawrence Seaway  
**Worst Memory** 2 Hours in bilges for taking donut to Radio room while crossing Atlantic on way to Med Sea  
**Children** 3   **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## McKeown, Daniel J

**Nickname** Dan **Rate** FTG3 **Division**  
**Spouse** Sharon **Hometown** Muskegon, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1964  
**Civilian Occupation** Superintendent/Operations CM Energy (Consumers Power)  
**Special Hobbies** Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Nights at sea  
**Worst Memory** Hurricane, the day we left for the Med- Arlene?  
**Children** 8 **Grandchildren** 11  
**Special Comments**

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## McMillan, Jr, James R

**Nickname** **Rate** **Division**  
**Spouse** **Hometown**  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** **Years To**  
**Civilian Occupation**  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments** Son of deceased crewman James McMillan. SK1 1962-1963.

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## McVey, Larry Joe

**Nickname** Mac **Rate** SM3 **Division** Oper  
**Spouse** Laurel **Hometown** Larned, KS  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1966 **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** Navy Exchange Security, Private Security, Now working at Wal-Mart on night maintenance crew  
**Special Hobbies** Coin Collecting, Bowling, Fishing, Writing Poetry  
**Favorite Memory** When we arrived in Malta  
**Worst Memory** Can recall none  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments** May you all have continued happiness and prosperous lives.

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## Meigs, Philip R

**Nickname**   **Rate** HM3   **Division** Hospital  
**Spouse** Nancy   **Hometown** Warren, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1953   **Years To** 1954  
**Civilian Occupation** Banker 30 Yrs  
**Special Hobbies** Missionary Work (Camps, Construction, renovation, remodeling) Fishing, Golf, Gardening  
**Favorite Memory** Cruises to Caribbean and Mediterranean  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children**                 4   **Grandchildren**         11  
**Special Comments**

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## Meyer, Charles J

**Nickname** Buddy   **Rate** MM2   **Division** M  
**Spouse** Bettye   **Hometown** Smith Mills, KY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1954   **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Engineering  
**Special Hobbies** Woodworking, Fishing, Camping  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children**                 2   **Grandchildren**         2  
**Special Comments**

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## Mlinscek, Nicholas L

**Nickname** Nick   **Rate** GM 1/c   **Division** Gunnery  
**Spouse** Vicky   **Hometown** Bronx, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)   **Years From** 1944   **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation** Businessman  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Being aboard and witnessing firsthand the destruction by atomic bombing the city of Nagasaki and the official surrender by the city officials.  
**Worst Memory** Okinawa  
**Children**                 3   **Grandchildren**         7  
**Special Comments**

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## Monson, Charles G

**Nickname** Chuck **Rate** CMM **Division** BLKGang  
**Spouse** Thelma **Hometown** L'Anse, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Greyhound driver, retired  
**Special Hobbies** Traveling, photography  
**Favorite Memory** When we got back to states at San Francisco and stayed there for over a month  
**Worst Memory** The 59 days we were at Saipan  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments** Just seeing old shipmates would be special

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## Morris, Lloyd Charles

**Nickname** Chuck **Rate** CDR **Division** XO  
**Spouse** Rae **Hometown** Kingsville, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1960-06 **Years To** 1961-08  
**Civilian Occupation** Marine Management  
**Special Hobbies** Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Bob Hope entertaining crews in San Juan  
**Worst Memory** No bad memories  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments** Regret that I cannot attend. Wife is in Nursing Home on Ventilation Machines.

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## Murden, Frank L

**Nickname** **Rate** QM3 **Division** N  
**Spouse** Dolores **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954  
**Civilian Occupation** Telecommunications Mgr ATT  
**Special Hobbies** None  
**Favorite Memory** None  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 10  
**Special Comments**

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## Murphy, Robert E

**Nickname** Murf **Rate** EN3 **Division** A  
**Spouse** Mary **Hometown** Albany, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1953  
**Civilian Occupation** Mechanic  
**Special Hobbies** Hunting, Motorcycles  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments** Would like to hear from old shipmates

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## Neal, Olin L.

**Nickname** **Rate** ET2 **Division** OE  
**Spouse** Carol **Hometown** Buffalo, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1959-12 **Years To** 1960-10  
**Civilian Occupation** Electrical Eng  
**Special Hobbies** Family History Research  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Neff, Charles Owen

**Nickname** Charlie **Rate** SN **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Stephens City, VA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1961-09 **Years To** 1965-02  
**Civilian Occupation** Dept of Transportation, VA  
**Special Hobbies** Boating  
**Favorite Memory** Canes, France  
**Worst Memory** Nov 1963, Cuba  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Nelson, Teddy L

**Nickname** Rate PN3 **Division** X  
**Spouse** Julia **Hometown** Cass, WV  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Shipping Terminal Supervisor  
**Special Hobbies** Bowling, Coin Collecting  
**Favorite Memory** USS Stribling DD-867 trip to Med  
**Worst Memory** USS America CVA-66 trip to Vietnam  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments** Always enjoyed meeting old shipmates from Cambria

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## Neufeld, Eddie L

**Nickname** Rate SKSN **Division** Supply  
**Spouse** Alice **Hometown** Hutchinson, KS  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1955  
**Civilian Occupation** Meat Packing Salesman  
**Special Hobbies** Travel  
**Favorite Memory** Shipmates  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments**

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## Neumann, Michael (Mike) J

**Nickname** Rate F I/C **Division** M  
**Spouse** Kay **Hometown**  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1945 **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation**  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Meeting my best hometown buddy when he came to the CAMBRIA Sunday morning at Saipan for Father Keatings church services.  
**Worst Memory** The typhoon off of Okinawa, thought the Cambria was going to sink  
**Children** **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**



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## Nixon, Ira Merill

**Nickname** Rate BMSN **Division** 2nd/1st  
**Spouse** Nancy **Hometown** Anderson, SC  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1957-01 **Years To** 1959-10  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired-Owens Corning  
**Special Hobbies** Playing Golf, Repairing old furniture  
**Favorite Memory** Being the only seaman who could stand the BM of the watch in port  
**Worst Memory** Loss of SN Miller, 3rd Division overboard. A very good shipmate  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments** If I can find my BM pipe, I will show them how I can still pipe all the calls. They will remember.

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## Nowack, Rinold R

**Nickname** Riney **Rate** FP2 **Division** R  
**Spouse** Carol **Hometown** Milwaukee, WI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1954  
**Civilian Occupation** Carpenter  
**Special Hobbies** Wood Working  
**Favorite Memory** All the nice guys I met  
**Worst Memory** When I got sick with hepatitis while in the Mediterranean Sea and left the CAMBRIA for the last time  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## O'Connor, Terry L

**Nickname** **Rate** SN **Division** 1st  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Brookfield, CT  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1962  
**Civilian Occupation** Information Technology  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** First and only Med Cruise  
**Worst Memory** Time the Captain's gig hit me while we were unloading it. Luckily it just bruised me.  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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**O'Hara, John**

**Nickname** Jack                                      **Rate** HM3                                      **Division** H  
**Spouse** Frances                                      **Hometown** Glendale, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                      **Years From** 1954                                      **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Student-Present-Sr Program Analyst  
**Special Hobbies** Collector of Military Memorabilia  
**Favorite Memory** Med Cruise Aug '54-Feb '55  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2                                      **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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**Olson, Samuel C**

**Nickname**                                      **Rate** EMT3/c                                      **Division**  
**Spouse** Carol                                      **Hometown** Jamestown, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                      **Years From** 1945                                      **Years To** 1947  
**Civilian Occupation** Director of Marketing  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Orphan kids at Christmas  
**Worst Memory** None  
**Children** 4                                      **Grandchildren** 8+  
**Special Comments**

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**Ostler, Orval L**

**Nickname**                                      **Rate**                                      **Division** Y 1/c  
**Spouse**                                      **Hometown** Salt Lake City, UT  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                                      **Years From** 1943                                      **Years To** 1946  
**Civilian Occupation** Certified Public Accountant  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Tying up at DeJima Packs in Nagasaki in 1945  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 5                                      **Grandchildren** 18  
**Special Comments**



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## Parks, William H

**Nickname** PH mate 1st C                      **Rate** PH mate 1st C                      **Division**  
**Spouse** Margaret                              **Hometown** Yonkers, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1944                      **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Sales and marketing  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Meeting so many good shipmates while aboard.  
**Worst Memory** In landing barge for invasion of Okinawa, circling for hours, and being 4th wave in after marines. We walked in water up to our waists. Lucky not one shore was fired as we set up a first aid station to take care of the wounds.  
**Children** 3                                      **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments**

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## Partin, John W

**Nickname**                                      **Rate** YN3                                      **Division** X  
**Spouse** Divorced                              **Hometown** Pittsburg, KS  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1960                      **Years To** 1963  
**Civilian Occupation** Parole Officer, State of Missouri  
**Special Hobbies** Veteran's activities  
**Favorite Memory** The Med Cruise of 1962 (I was attached to COMPHIBRON SIX during the cruise). Cuban blockade in late 1962 was exciting. I didn't realize there were that many ships in the whole Navy until all I could see from horizon to horizon was haze gray USN ships.  
**Worst Memory** While still on the deck force and in a yard period at Portsmouth, VA, I had to carry a bunch of life jackets from storage aft, to a forward storage area to allow for painting of the storage spaces. I dropped one of them overboard, and as soon as it hit the water...it sank like a stone. I never felt safe with a "Mae West" again, during my first enlistment  
**Children** 1                                      **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments** Let's all make a special effort to invite any CAMBRIA shipmates that we can contact to come join in the fun of a reunion with us.

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## Patterson, Leland V

**Nickname** Lee                                      **Rate** IC2                                      **Division** E  
**Spouse** Sally                                      **Hometown** Clinton, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1966                      **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** Switching equipment technician, Bell Atlantic  
**Special Hobbies** Amateur Radio, boating, living life fully!  
**Favorite Memory** Being promoted to IC3, spending weekends with my wife in the IC Room  
**Worst Memory** Riding through a hurricane off North Carolina  
**Children** 2                                      **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments** "Liberty call"

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## Payne, Ronald L

**Nickname** Rate SM3 **Division** Commu  
**Spouse** Sue **Hometown** Farmington, MO  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1959-10 **Years To** 1961-01  
**Civilian Occupation** Worked as a Route Salesman. Have been on SS Disability since Jan 1991  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing, Camping, my wife and I are busy with Church related activities  
**Favorite Memory** I suppose my favorite time included our Med Cruise. A great sight seeing trip. Also we were sent to Cuba when Castro was missile minded.  
**Worst Memory** My "Sea Duty" was cut short by sickness. After a lengthy stay at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital, I finished my tour at the degassing station at Norfolk.  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** Hi! Hoping you have a great Reunion! Will not be making the trip, but memories have been recalled since thinking of this project.

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## Pearce, George F

**Nickname** Rate Rdm 1/C **Division** Radar  
**Spouse** Lauretta **Hometown** Grinnell, IA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943-11-10 **Years To** 1945-03  
**Civilian Occupation** Insurance Broker  
**Special Hobbies** Traveling, Golf, Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Crossing the equator  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Pecorino, Richard L

**Nickname** Peck **Rate** MM2 **Division** M  
**Spouse** Sarah **Hometown** Morristown, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1965  
**Civilian Occupation** Yacht Refinishing Supervisor. Paint Sales Associate for Home Depot  
**Special Hobbies** Swimming, Bike Riding, NASCAR Racing, Going out to eat  
**Favorite Memory** All the Med Cruises  
**Worst Memory** Cuban Missile Crisis  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments** I still think about them all the time, and remember all the good times.





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## Popper, William R.

**Nickname** Rate DC2 Division R  
**Spouse** Jean - Deceased Hometown NYC  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) Years From 1956 Years To 1959  
**Civilian Occupation** Police officer  
**Special Hobbies** Hunting, shooting and fishing  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Powers, Joseph J

**Nickname** Rate CM2/C Division  
**Spouse** Irma Hometown Washington DC  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) Years From 1943-11 Years To 1945-08  
**Civilian Occupation** GM Tech Center in R/D (all Seat Belts, Air Bags, plus future car experimental.  
**Special Hobbies** Woodwork & Bowling  
**Favorite Memory** All good, even in the worst of times.  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 6 **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments**

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## Premeaux, Presley A

**Nickname** Rate BM1 Division 3rd  
**Spouse** Laura Hometown Biloxi, MS  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) Years From 1950 Years To 1952  
**Civilian Occupation** Self-Employed  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** The Med Cruise, also all the foreign ports and beautiful people we saw in them. Also the comradeship on the ship while on board  
**Worst Memory** When loading cargo after an exercise after so many days of operation. I was exhausted and was nearly thrown into the cargo hold.  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments**

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## Pushak, John

**Nickname**  
**Spouse** Barbara  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Steel Worker  
**Special Hobbies** Sports, Cars, Wood Working  
**Favorite Memory** Cruise to South America  
**Worst Memory** Suez Crisis (1957)  
**Children** 2                      **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Rabinowitz, Daniel

**Nickname**  
**Spouse** Joyce  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Professor of Accounting (Retired)  
**Special Hobbies** Swimming  
**Favorite Memory** The Apollo 7 mission in Dec 1968 was special as we steamed without Marines nor PHIBRON 6 staff. A recovery team consisting of an USAF Lt and Sgt, were assigned and we were given a mock up of the capsule. We deployed to the eastern Atlantic off Western Africa as a secondary recovery ship. Along the way we would lift the capsule into the sea, steam away from it, and send our landing craft to push/tow it back to the CAMBRIA, then lift it aboard. The capsule landed in the West Atlantic as planned and an a/c carrier and its choppers recovered it. We then went into Las Palmas (Canary Islands) for some very good liberty. The Island hadn't had a USN visit in many years so we were warmly greeted by the residents and the tourists from Scandinavian and N Europe. When it was time to depart for NORVA, Capt Heath was missing. He finally showed up with a big grin on his ????. Enroute to NORVA, we were ordered to rendezvous with the USNS MIZER which had been dragging the bottom with a camera searching for the USS SCORPIAN. It found and photographed the SCORPIAN. We received the photos and took them to a USAF Base in the Azores for a flight back to SUBLANT in NORVA, delaying our return to NORVA by a couple of days. In all it was a fund and exciting deployment, especially since we steamed for over a month with the grunts and staff.  
**Worst Memory** Mid-watches on the quarterdeck during the winter in NORVA. It was cold and very windy.  
**Children** 2                      **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments** The Cambria and its crew were one of the best experiences of my life. The camaraderie amongst the men, the work, port visits and fun were great. I'LL NEVER FORGET IT.

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## Rahmer, Reynold E

**Nickname** Ron **Rate** FN **Division**  
**Spouse** Cindy A. **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1970 **Years To**  
**Civilian Occupation** Engineer/Handyman  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Mess cooking with Chief Cherry.  
**Worst Memory** Decommission of ship  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** Go Navy!!!

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## Reed, John A

**Nickname** Jerry **Rate** **Division**  
**Spouse** Betty **Hometown** Milford, VA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Auto Mechanic  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Retherford, Charles M

**Nickname** Mike **Rate** Seaman **Division** Supply  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Panama City, FL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1970  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired  
**Special Hobbies** Ham Radio, Playing with grandkids  
**Favorite Memory** Being with all of my friends  
**Worst Memory** Collision with another ship off the coast of Malta  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**





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## Roy, Daniel E

**Nickname** Dan **Rate** RM3 **Division** CR  
**Spouse** Anita **Hometown** Kingman, AZ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1963  
**Civilian Occupation** Signal Maintainer-AT&SF/BNSF Railroad  
**Special Hobbies** Reading, Model making  
**Favorite Memory** Trip to the Med 1962  
**Worst Memory** Cuban Missile crisis  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Russell, Steve E

**Nickname** **Rate** BM3 **Division** 3rd  
**Spouse** Pamela **Hometown** Salisbury, NC  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1970  
**Civilian Occupation** Electrician  
**Special Hobbies** Shooting  
**Favorite Memory** Collision at sea 3:00 AM after general quarters  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments**

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## Rymer, Tommy L

**Nickname** Bud **Rate** EM3 **Division** E  
**Spouse** Pat **Hometown** Holden, MO  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1956  
**Civilian Occupation** Rural mail Carrier, US Postal Service  
**Special Hobbies** Crappie Fishing, Mission Trips through our Church  
**Favorite Memory** The friends I made  
**Worst Memory** Going from Greece to Turkey, hit the tail end of a typhoon. Rough..Rough  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 10  
**Special Comments**

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## Sanders, Robert K

**Nickname** Rate RD2 **Division**  
**Spouse** Donna **Hometown** Sheridan, IN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Electronics Engineer/Mgr  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Everyone on board was friendly  
**Worst Memory** Returning from Europe the last time Feb 1958. Weather was horrible  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments** Happy to attend another reunion!

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## Schreiber, Philip

**Nickname** Phil **Rate** RM 2/C **Division** 24  
**Spouse** Molly **Hometown** Montclair, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1951  
**Civilian Occupation** Pharmaceutical Representative  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 6 **Grandchildren** 10  
**Special Comments**

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## Shealy, John T

**Nickname** **Rate** FN **Division** A  
**Spouse** Frances **Hometown** Bronx, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1955  
**Civilian Occupation** Police Officer  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory** Mess Cooking  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 11  
**Special Comments**

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## Shepherd, John

**Nickname** Lefty                                      **Rate** S 1/c                                      **Division**  
**Spouse** Beverly                                      **Hometown** Hartford, CT  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1944-01                      **Years To** 1945-02  
**Civilian Occupation** Chef  
**Special Hobbies** Women  
**Favorite Memory** Crossing the Equator  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 8                                      **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Shick, Charles W

**Nickname** Chuck                                      **Rate** DKC                                      **Division**  
**Spouse** Marian                                      **Hometown** Sheffield, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1950-09                      **Years To** 1951-04  
**Civilian Occupation** Letter carrier USPS  
**Special Hobbies** Hunting and fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Get pay records of the Residents squared away  
**Worst Memory** Get pay records of the Residents squared away because it was so difficult  
**Children** 3                                      **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments** Hope to see you at the reunion

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## Sholar, Orman R

**Nickname**                                      **Rate** GM2                                      **Division** USCG  
**Spouse** Mary                                      **Hometown** Bumpus Mills, TN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                      **Years From** 1943-11                      **Years To** 1945-07  
**Civilian Occupation** General Motors, retired  
**Special Hobbies** Woodworking, playing pool  
**Favorite Memory** Passing through Panama Canal  
**Worst Memory** Entering Marshall Islands Invasion  
**Children** 0                                      **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Shonis, Anthony

**Nickname** Tony **Rate** SCI/C **Division** Bakery  
**Spouse** Seconda **Hometown**  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943-12 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Maintenance, Bakery  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Shook, Stuart H

**Nickname** **Rate** PNC **Division**  
**Spouse** Wilma (Deceased) **Hometown** Banner Elk, NC  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1961  
**Civilian Occupation** Purchasing Agent  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Shue, Donald R

**Nickname** **Rate** SA **Division**  
**Spouse** **Hometown** York, Pa  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952-01 **Years To** 1953-08  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired - Part Time School Crossing Guard  
**Special Hobbies** Video Taping, Big Band Music  
**Favorite Memory** Duty at Cuba, Haiti, South France, and other ports of call in Southern Europe  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**



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## Smith, Frederick

**Nickname** Smitty **Rate** RDM 3/c **Division** Radio  
**Spouse** Jeanne **Hometown** Palmer, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1969 **Years To** 1970  
**Civilian Occupation** Composing Room Foreman at Springfield Newspapers  
**Special Hobbies** Fun with Granddaughter, Billiards, Golf  
**Favorite Memory** Good times in Barcelona, Spain, Friendships  
**Worst Memory** Collision at Sea with USS SHADWELL  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** Would like Reunion in Northeast

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## Smith, Joseph E

**Nickname** Smitty **Rate** SK3 **Division** Supply  
**Spouse** Patricia **Hometown** Bronx, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1951  
**Civilian Occupation** Supply Warehouse Supv Navelec (Retired)  
**Special Hobbies** Hockey, Baseball & Coin Collecting  
**Favorite Memory** Just being at sea on her  
**Worst Memory** When a crewman got killed on the M Boat  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 11  
**Special Comments**

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## Smith, Paul Dale

**Nickname** **Rate** E3 **Division** Boat  
**Spouse** Judy **Hometown** Harlingen, TX  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1965-08 **Years To** 1967-08  
**Civilian Occupation** Boilermaker - Welder  
**Special Hobbies** Hunting, Fishing, Horse Back Riding  
**Favorite Memory** Going to different ports in the Med.  
**Worst Memory** Chipping paint and painting  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 4  
**Special Comments**

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## Smith, Richard R

**Nickname** Smitty **Rate** SF3 **Division** R  
**Spouse** Cheryl **Hometown** Ogdensburg, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1959  
**Civilian Occupation** Maintenance Mechanic  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing, being by the ocean  
**Favorite Memory** The Med trips  
**Worst Memory** Changing UP Boat rudders and 12 hours OGQ  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** I remember the Cambria days like they were yesterday

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## Smith, Victor W

**Nickname** Smitty **Rate** SI/C **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** Marjorie **Hometown** Rahway, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** Comm **Years To** 1945-08  
**Civilian Occupation** Truck Driver  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing and Bird carving  
**Favorite Memory** Coming back home  
**Worst Memory** Eating Bologna  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments** Retired in 1984 and moved to a new home on a lagoon off Barnegat Bay in NJ and had my boat at my back door. Had a great life until struck down by a massive stroke - Christmas 1990. Severely disabled and will not be able to attend.

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## Snyder, Chester E

**Nickname** **Rate** RD3 **Division** OI  
**Spouse** Shirley **Hometown** Tiffin, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1960-11 **Years To** 1963-07  
**Civilian Occupation** Commercial Transportation, Highway Relocation Engineer (Truck Driver)  
**Special Hobbies** Hunting, Fishing  
**Favorite Memory** Land..The landing force  
**Worst Memory** AWOL (2 Hrs)  
**Children** 6 **Grandchildren** 22 GG2  
**Special Comments**



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## Spensley, Charles R

**Nickname** Spense **Rate** EM **Division**  
**Spouse** Margaret **Hometown** Mason, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1942 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Sales and advertising with Ford & Chrysler  
**Special Hobbies** Golf, breeding and raising Standard Bred and Arabian horses  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 5 **Grandchildren** 10  
**Special Comments** Spense passed away August 21, 1984 as the result of a malignant brain tumor. He and I were married 36 fantastic years. We had 7 sons, 5 of whom are living and now 10 grandchildren. He was a fabulous gentleman and my best friend.

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## Stafford, Ramon J

**Nickname** Joe **Rate** BT1 **Division** B  
**Spouse** Phyllis **Hometown** Leslie, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Domres (Virginia Power Co.) Sy Instrument Tech  
**Special Hobbies** Travel, Roller Skating, Water Ski, Auto Racing  
**Favorite Memory** Being youngest E6 in Amphip Force 7.5 months before 21st birthday  
**Worst Memory** Pumping 4,000 Gal NSFO in NNSY 1956  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Stanley, Daryl E

**Nickname** Stan **Rate** FA-BT1 **Division** B  
**Spouse** Karen **Hometown** Onondaga, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1959-65 **Years To** 1967-67  
**Civilian Occupation** Power Plant Operation & Maint  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments**

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## Stanley, Francis Dale

**Nickname**  
**Spouse** Mary  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Retired Supt of Schools  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing, Golf, Travel  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4                      **Grandchildren** 10  
**Special Comments**

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## Staton, James Edward

**Nickname** Jimmie  
**Spouse** Eileen  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Welder  
**Special Hobbies** Fishing, Family  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 6                      **Grandchildren** 21  
**Special Comments** My name is Michael Staton and my Father Jim served on the CAMBRIA from the fall of 1945 until summer of 1946. I filled out the form to the best of my ability. My father passed away in 1992, but I would like to hear from anyone that remembers him. I have a lot of photos from the ship and I believe he my have driven landing craft while on the APA-36. Anyone who remembers him can call or write me anytime. Michael Staton

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## Stavrou, Constantine C

**Nickname** Gus  
**Spouse** Vivian  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)  
**Civilian Occupation** Water Dept Superintendent  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** Seeing success of invasions. Island leave.  
**Worst Memory** Jap kamikaze attacks.  
**Children** 3                      **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments** Gus died in 1992 of a progressive disease. He often shared memories of the Coast Guard time with me (his son). He left a detailed diary of his time on board, and a large photo collection. I have transcribed the diary and passed it on to family members and several other friends. I have enjoyed researching information about my father's war experiences and reading comments by his shipmates.

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## Stell, Ray C

**Nickname** Stell **Rate** BT **Division** BT  
**Spouse** Isobel **Hometown** Dearborn Heights, MI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1964 **Years To** 1965  
**Civilian Occupation** Lineman Detroit Edison Co  
**Special Hobbies** Great outdoors, boating  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Stickney, Kenneth C

**Nickname** **Rate** CSCM **Division** S-3  
**Spouse** Virginia **Hometown** Nampa, ID  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1966  
**Civilian Occupation** Director of Dining Services  
**Special Hobbies** Church Involvement  
**Favorite Memory** Mediterranean Cruises  
**Worst Memory** Nothing bad happened to me in the Cambria  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Stoll, David L

**Nickname** Leo **Rate** RD3 **Division** CIC  
**Spouse** Ellen **Hometown** Wapakoneta, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958  
**Civilian Occupation** Professional Fire Fighter, Retired Captain  
**Special Hobbies** Old Cars, Wood-working  
**Favorite Memory** Med. Cruise  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Strakonsky, Joe C

**Nickname** Rate CPL-USMC **Division**  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Wheaton, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1969 **Years To** 1970  
**Civilian Occupation** Engineering  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**

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## Sujkowski, Leonard

**Nickname** Ski **Rate** FA/MM2 **Division** A  
**Spouse** Marie **Hometown** Newark, NJ  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1951-07 **Years To** 1955-03  
**Civilian Occupation** Mech Engineer, Compressed Gases Manufacture and Equipment  
**Special Hobbies** Fresh water fishing, cruises, travel  
**Favorite Memory** Visits to many Mediterranean ports, some several times on 3 Med Cruises  
**Worst Memory** Major holidays away from family and fiancée  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 7  
**Special Comments** Wondering how many still "alive and kicking" fifty years later.

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## Swindler, Robert

**Nickname** **Rate** E-3 **Division** Marine  
**Spouse** Shelia **Hometown** Platte City, MO  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1969-02 **Years To** 1969-09  
**Civilian Occupation** Recreational Assistant Fort Leonard Wood, MO  
**Special Hobbies** Gardening  
**Favorite Memory** Making Med Cruise as a young Marine  
**Worst Memory** Collision at sea during the Med Cruise  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Taylor, Capt Charles H

**Nickname** Charlie **Rate** CQM **Division** Nav  
**Spouse** Frances **Hometown** McLeansboro, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1945-07 **Years To** 1945-09  
**Civilian Occupation** Captain (US Merchant Marine), Ships Pilot, Panama Canal (24 Yrs)  
**Special Hobbies** Shiners Hospital for Children (Watching) Golf and Basketball especially Alabama  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 5  
**Special Comments** I respect all those who served on the CAMBRIA, both Coast Guard World War II and the Navy Sailors.

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## Thompson, Frank L

**Nickname** **Rate** SN **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** **Hometown** Indianapolis, IN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1963  
**Civilian Occupation** Truck Driver  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 1 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments**

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## Thompson, Thomas R

**Nickname** **Rate** HM3 **Division** H  
**Spouse** Suzanne **Hometown** Voorheesville, NY  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952-08 **Years To** 1953-12  
**Civilian Occupation** Toolmaker (Retired-Volunteer work with Credit Union and County Free Clinic)  
**Special Hobbies** Softball, Golf, Bowling and Family  
**Favorite Memory** Cruises to the Med and Caribbean and all "H" Division crew  
**Worst Memory** The death of shipmate  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 9  
**Special Comments**



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## Treants, Gene

**Nickname** Tree **Rate** ET3) **Division** OE  
**Spouse** Brenda **Hometown** Greensboro, NC  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1967 **Years To** 1968  
**Civilian Occupation** Child Protective Services Supervisor  
**Special Hobbies** Wood Work  
**Favorite Memory** Good times and my first Med Cruise. Reftra in Gitmo  
**Worst Memory** Bouncing around in ships boats during landing exercises as I fixed and swapped out radios. Putting in the stow pin for the air search radar as the ship rolled below me in a storm.  
**Children** 0 **Grandchildren**  
**Special Comments**

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## Trusty, Ronald E

**Nickname** Trusty **Rate** BT3 **Division** B  
**Spouse** Lynn **Hometown** Greenwood, IN  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1965 **Years To** 1967  
**Civilian Occupation** Boiler operator Naval Avionics Indy  
**Special Hobbies** Restoring old homes and NASCAR  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Turner, Reginald S

**Nickname** Reggie **Rate** GM3 **Division** F  
**Spouse** Carol **Hometown** Odenton, MD  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1952-02 **Years To** 1955-10  
**Civilian Occupation**  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 0  
**Special Comments**









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## Waller, Edmund M

**Nickname** Ed                                 **Rate** ENS/LtJG                         **Division** 1st, 2nd  
**Spouse** Patricia                             **Hometown** Honolulu, HI  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                 **Years From** 1952-12                 **Years To** 1954-12  
**Civilian Occupation**  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 5   **Grandchildren** 9  
**Special Comments**

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## Webb, Wesley D

**Nickname** Wes                                 **Rate** BM 1/C                                 **Division** Boat  
**Spouse** Marion                                 **Hometown** Los Angeles, CA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                 **Years From** 1943                         **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** CEO Fibre Containers Co, City of Industry, CA  
**Special Hobbies** Golf, Long Range Deep Sea Fishing.  
**Favorite Memory**  
**Worst Memory**  
**Children** 4   **Grandchildren** 6  
**Special Comments** I hope everyone enjoys themselves! I shall be unable to attend as I have prior commitment at that time.

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## West, Robert E

**Nickname** Westie                                 **Rate** CM 2/C                                 **Division** R  
**Spouse** Joanne                                 **Hometown** Haverhill, MA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36)                 **Years From** 1943-11                 **Years To** 1945-05  
**Civilian Occupation** Fire fighter  
**Special Hobbies** Collecting Antiques  
**Favorite Memory** Getting in Beach Party  
**Worst Memory** The Food  
**Children** 6   **Grandchildren** 13  
**Special Comments**



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## Willison, Harold L

**Nickname** Rate YN3 **Division** CTD24 Flag  
**Spouse** Rose **Hometown** Chicago, IL  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952  
**Civilian Occupation** Lithographer  
**Special Hobbies** Range shooting-Village Santa for the Hospitals and Park Districts  
**Favorite Memory** Bring orphans aboard for Christmas party in '51. Rough seas, but the nun's at the orphanage convinced us it would work out and it did.  
**Worst Memory** Bad storm going through the straights and seeing the USS Cobb go under, but came back up like a cork.  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 9  
**Special Comments** Good ship, great crew and super Med Cruise.

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## Winick, Bernard S

**Nickname** Rate DK3 **Division**  
**Spouse** Carol **Hometown** Canton, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1957  
**Civilian Occupation** Law professor  
**Special Hobbies**  
**Favorite Memory** The 1956 Med Cruise, particularly my trip to Paris from the French Rivera.  
**Worst Memory** The extremely hot sweaty nights in the sleeping compartment when the ship was in the Caribbean.  
**Children** 2 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

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## Wiser, Philip R

**Nickname** Phil from Philly **Rate** S 1/c **Division** 2nd  
**Spouse** Sylvia **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943-12 **Years To** 1945-11  
**Civilian Occupation** Sales Manager--Office furniture  
**Special Hobbies** Music, Hiking, Reading  
**Favorite Memory** Watching Gen McArthur go ashore in the Philippines  
**Worst Memory** Receiving 6 bombs from a Sally Bomber--Saipan 1944 Kamikaze Attacks at Okinawa  
**Children** 3 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments**

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**Woolley, Warren G**

**Nickname** SM2/c **Division** N  
**Spouse** Lenore **Hometown** Oakland, CA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1942 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Shop Foreman/Airport Manager  
**Special Hobbies** Flying, At Home Woodworking/shop Work  
**Favorite Memory** Commander Transport Squadron 12  
**Worst Memory** I was on the Cambria going into Nagasaki, Japan a few days after the bomb had hit thee. Also amphibious landings,, Losing the ship while on the beach during the invasion of Makin Island.  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 8  
**Special Comments** Glad I was able to serve our Country and I am proud of all of our Military.

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**Wright, Jr, William F**

**Nickname** Wid **Rate** ETM 2/c **Division** Elec.  
**Spouse** Anne **Hometown** Lisbon, OH  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1943 **Years To** 1945  
**Civilian Occupation** Episcopal Clergyman  
**Special Hobbies** Astronomy, Stained glass, Ham radio, Genealogy, Mineralogy  
**Favorite Memory** Lingayen Gulf Invasion (Exciting!)  
**Worst Memory** Heat in Central Pacific  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 1  
**Special Comments** Long time no see! Let's go to the Cambria Reunion. This is probably the last chance we'll have to get together.

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## York, James Glenn

**Nickname** Rate FC 3/c **Division** Reserve  
**Spouse** Joyce **Hometown** Alvin, TX08-42  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1942-08 **Years To** 1946-02  
**Civilian Occupation** Teacher, Coach and Principal in School System of Alvin, TX  
**Special Hobbies** Sports, Hunting, Travel, Movies and Church  
**Favorite Memory** When the war was over and going back home.  
**Worst Memory** For several hours another young man and I worked (dove off the Cambria ship to try & release a mine cable from our propeller). It was exhausting and scary, for it could have blown up & 1,000 men would have died.  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 2  
**Special Comments** I received my Bachelors Degree of Science in Houston, TX in 1948, and my Masters Degree of Education in 1949. I met and married Kathryn Lucy and we had two lovely daughters. Kathryn passed away on 6/26/64.  
In the fifties there was the wonderful opportunity to begin Alvin, Texas Little League Baseball teams. There was coaching, championship games, and on different occasions, football and baseball. Through the Alvin Education Program System I was able to Coach, Teach and become Principal. I met and married Carolyn Norwood and was blessed with two sons.  
Nolan Ryan became one of my students and I was able to coach him in football and baseball. After encouraging him to leave football, I happily taught Nolan the baseball basics and development techniques in Jr High and High School. Awesomely, he went to the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York, on July 2, 1999.  
I retired in May 1983

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## Young, Tommy M

**Nickname** Rate BM3 **Division**  
**Spouse** Diane **Hometown** Carrollton, GA  
**Ship** USS CAMBRIA (APA-36) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1969  
**Civilian Occupation** Team Leader Georgia Power Co  
**Special Hobbies** Camping  
**Favorite Memory** All  
**Worst Memory** When I dropped Captain's gig  
**Children** 4 **Grandchildren** 3  
**Special Comments**

