
Barnes, Roy C

Nickname
Spouse Ann
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128)
Civilian Occupation Computer Systems Analyst, Realtor
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Duty in Joint Chiefs of Staff War Room, Pentagon
Worst Memory None
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Barsomian, Haig J

Nickname Arab
Spouse Joyce
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128)
Civilian Occupation Service Station Operator (Retired 1994)
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory The Phantom, who messed at night in the Marine Compartment
Worst Memory 12:00 to 4:00 AM, Brig Watch
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Becker, Jerry

Nickname
Spouse Patricia
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128)
Civilian Occupation Treas Chesapeake Steel Co
Special Hobbies Wood working
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Craig, John E

Nickname Gene **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division** Various

Spouse Helen **Hometown** Clinton, IL

Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1956

Civilian Occupation Elementary School Counselor

Special Hobbies Wood Carving, Reading, Travel, Volunteering to assist others

Favorite Memory We had many successful missile trials and the ship was to be spotlighted on national TV (believe the program was OMNIBUS). Everyone was so uptight that something would go wrong, but, if I remember correctly, all went well and the shot was successful. Never did get to see it on TV however. Then there was the getting hit by the torpedo and having to go into dry dock in Portsmouth.

Worst Memory I really don't have any worst memories, although we often joked about writing down a number of incidents and authoring a book about our experiences. I wish we had because now those times have been forgotten.

Children

Grandchildren

Special Comments

Craig, Sr, Raymond Eugene

Nickname Irish **Rate** EM3 **Division** E

Spouse Kathleen **Hometown** Richmond, VA

Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1952

Civilian Occupation Retired

Special Hobbies None

Favorite Memory The day I went aboard Philadelphia

Worst Memory None

Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4 GG3

Special Comments Life on the Mississippi was great

Croteau, Harold G

Nickname Hal **Rate** RD3 **Division** K

Spouse Jane **Hometown** Marlboro, NH

Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1952

Civilian Occupation Engineering (Raytheon Co-39 Yrs)

Special Hobbies Golf, Reading

Favorite Memory Met and married my wife during my tour on board Mississippi

Worst Memory None

Children 4 **Grandchildren** 10

Special Comments

Daniels, William George

Nickname Bill **Rate** QM3 **Division** N
Spouse Joan **Hometown** Hermansville, MI
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation None
Special Hobbies Aviation, Travel, No Hobbies, Spectator Sports
Favorite Memory Weekends on board while at Anchor in Hampton Roads
Worst Memory Field Days and inspections
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Davis, Anthony R

Nickname Tony **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division** Oper
Spouse Mary Margaret **Hometown** Kenilworth, NJ
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Insurance Broker
Special Hobbies Golf, Sailing and Fishing
Favorite Memory Our ETH Parties
Worst Memory The day we lost a One million Dollar Regulus missile and the Captain wanted to charge me for the loss (He gave the command to stay on station)
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Davis, Ron D

Nickname Dave **Rate** SN **Division** 2nd
Spouse Kathy (Deceased) **Hometown** Utica, IL
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Heavy Equipment Operator (Retired)
Special Hobbies Wood Working
Favorite Memory All my shipmates and time assigned to Captain's gig
Worst Memory Can't remember
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Dorl, Charles E

Nickname Rate BT3 Division B
Spouse Shirley Hometown New Market, VA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) Years From 1956 Years To 1956
Civilian Occupation
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory USS MISSISSIPPI
Worst Memory USS PREBLE
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 13 GG3
Special Comments

Dotzel, Deneen M

Nickname Denny Rate CS3 Division S
Spouse Mary Frances Hometown Galena, IL
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) Years From 1949-06 Years To 1952-06
Civilian Occupation Gas Measurement Tech for Cities Service Gas Co
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Inspections
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments Can't make this Reunion, but would like future notifications

Engel, Herman A

Nickname Rate ET2 Division T
Spouse Beverly Hometown Buffalo, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) Years From 1949 Years To 1952
Civilian Occupation Production Control
Special Hobbies Organ Repair, Fraternal Organizations
Favorite Memory Trip to Boston, MA
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Ferris, Richard W

Nickname Dick **Rate** Lt **Division** Fox
Spouse Unmarried **Hometown** Springfield, MA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Registered Professional Engineer (Civil)
Special Hobbies Oceanography, Building, Fishing
Favorite Memory Excellent Food
Worst Memory Administrative Inspections
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Filou, Stratos

Nickname **Rate** S1c **Division** Signal Bridge
Spouse Sapho **Hometown** Elmhurst, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1948-08 **Years To** 1949-08
Civilian Occupation
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Ford, Joe

Nickname **Rate** EM3 **Division** E
Spouse **Hometown** Garland, TX
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Electrical Contractor
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Gardner, John V

Nickname Rate FT2 **Division**
Spouse Joyce **Hometown** Griffin, GA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1952-05-14 **Years To** 1954-11-20
Civilian Occupation IBM Field Engineering Specialist
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory The work we did in GMTU-21--8th Division
Worst Memory That Chicken Exec we had.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Gardner, Kenneth M

Nickname Ken **Rate** Major **Division** Marine
Spouse Gail **Hometown** London, TN
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Consultant
Special Hobbies History
Favorite Memory Gunnery
Worst Memory Storm at Sea
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Garramone, Anthony J

Nickname **Rate** YN3 **Division**
Spouse Annemarie **Hometown** Utica, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Lawyer, Judge
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory I was part of the gunnery unit first doing top secret missile. Information with Lt. Commander Coleman, then went to school a second time for Naval Justice and became the ship's legal yeoman. Being legal yeoman I had the opportunity to help many of the crew with their legal problems and that led me into the law in civilian life.
Worst Memory Continually operating out of Norfolk and shooting those missiles that pierced your ears. We were constantly in and out of Norfolk and Norfolk at that time wasn't the beautiful city that it is today.
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments The Mississippi was an old ship with a terrific Naval history. She was the oldest commissioned ship in the Navy and was in good shape when I was aboard. It had a good crew and was a great feeder. It served a very important role in the development of missile guided vessels and I was proud to be a part of that endeavor.

Hinckley, Hal

Nickname Rate YN3 **Division** A-Log Rm
Spouse Connie **Hometown** Watervliet, MI
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1955-04 **Years To** 1956-09
Civilian Occupation Retired Master Chief (30 Yrs) Now Woodworker
Special Hobbies Wood Working, Traveling, Outdoor Life, Gardening, Driving my Mustang
Favorite Memory Went to sea every Monday. Returned to port very Friday. The only Saturday we spent at sea was for Wide Wide World (Edward R Murrow) to film us firing terrier missiles
Worst Memory No Bad Memories. Was sad to see her scrapped
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Hulsey, Joe F

Nickname Rate PFC **Division** Marine Detachment
Spouse Linda **Hometown** Ft Worth, TX
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1957
Civilian Occupation Airline Pilot (Retired)
Special Hobbies Remote control aircraft, Real Estate
Favorite Memory So many pipes, cables, etc in the overhead to be cleaned/dusted every day.
Worst Memory Fantail watch during icing conditions
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4 GG3
Special Comments

Hyde, Beecher B

Nickname Rate CSSN **Division** S-2
Spouse Becky **Hometown** Oneonta, AL
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1952-07 **Years To** 1954-10
Civilian Occupation Disc Jockey 20 Yrs & Truck Driver 20 Yrs
Special Hobbies Hunting Quail & Horseback and wagon train
Favorite Memory Lots of them. I'd have to tell you.
Worst Memory Unloading 1500 bags of potatoes in a storm
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments I have a letter from Bouchard, I would like to read at our reunion.

Iannetti, Jr., Frank A

Nickname Rate CS3 **Division** S-2
Spouse Lucille **Hometown** Milford, MA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Waiter
Special Hobbies Golf, Fishing, Bowling
Favorite Memory Many, Many!
Worst Memory When I first reported to her while in dry dock!
Children 7 **Grandchildren** 12
Special Comments

Jacobs, Irwin (Jake) L

Nickname Jake **Rate** PN3 **Division** EX
Spouse Ann **Hometown** New York, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1951-01 **Years To** 1952-05
Civilian Occupation Sales & Memorial Counseling
Special Hobbies Good Music (Jazz, Big Bands)
Favorite Memory Fabulous Food
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments While serving aboard MISSISSIPPI most of us "moaned & groaned" about it, but looking at our modern Navy, we see that "old Missy" was in part responsible for creating the power that it is and what it can do when called upon to do it.

Johnson, Edward W

Nickname **Rate** EM3 **Division** 5th
Spouse Carol **Hometown** Chicago, IL
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1950
Civilian Occupation Electrician
Special Hobbies Sailing, Scuba
Favorite Memory Firing at targets and RC Planes
Worst Memory Distribution Watch
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments After leaving the USS Mississippi, I reported to Great Lakes for Electricians Class "A" School which I completed #2 in a class of 80, final score 93.6. After school I reported to the USS Wisconsin in time for the Midshipman cruise to Scotland, France & Cuba. After depositing the Midi's in Annapolis, we provisioned the ship and proceeded to the Panama Canal and thus to Long Beach, Ca, where we supplied electricity for the town of Long Beach for about 5 days. From there we went to Hawaii, then to Guam and on to Yokosuka, Japan and on to Korea for a tour of duty.

Lutze, Maurice Arthur

Nickname Rate Cpl **Division** USMC
Spouse Rita **Hometown** Bay City, MI
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1948-01 **Years To** 1950-02
Civilian Occupation Tool & Die Supervisor
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing, Old Engines & Tractors
Favorite Memory Having served with a great bunch of fellows
Worst Memory Gang Plank Watch
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5 1 Great
Special Comments

Lyons, James L

Nickname Rate EMP3 **Division**
Spouse Connie E. **Hometown** Louisville, KY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1953 **Years To**
Civilian Occupation Sales
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Maher, Joseph D

Nickname Joe **Rate** SC 2/C **Division** Supply
Spouse Alice **Hometown** Barnum, IA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1926-03-31 **Years To** 1927-04-24
Civilian Occupation Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept.
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments

Medley, Gene D

Nickname SK2 **Division** S
Spouse **Hometown** Middlesboro, KY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Retail Merchant
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Micena, Albert M

Nickname Al **Rate** CS3 **Division** S-2
Spouse Lucy **Hometown** Flushing, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1952-02 **Years To** 1954-06
Civilian Occupation Designer Food Service Facilities
Special Hobbies Boating
Favorite Memory Time during a hurricane heading for New York City
Worst Memory None
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Miller, Walter E

Nickname **Rate** MMFN/MM3 **Division** A
Spouse Gari **Hometown** Lynchburg, VA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Engineer
Special Hobbies Meeting old friends, Traveling with my wife, Trading
Favorite Memory I grew up in a very back-country area in the Blue Ridge Mountains, knowing nothing about either ships or the sea. After having been on MISSISSIPI about 2 to 3 weeks, we were at sea and a gale had blown up. About 1600 hours, an announcement was made to "Stand by for heavy rolls". I pondered over that announcement for some time, and could only conclude that the cooks had ruined the bread for dinner. I have chuckled over this many times since then, and on each occasion was glad I never mentioned this to my shipmates.
Worst Memory Standing GQ watch in the Steering Control Station.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Pietsch, Donald K

Nickname Peach **Rate** SN3 **Division** 5th
Spouse Mary Ann **Hometown** Orchard Park, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1951-04 **Years To** 1952-10
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Hunting, Working in the Yard
Favorite Memory When I came aboard there was a big hole from the guns being removed for the missiles.
Worst Memory Out on Monday and back to Norfolk on Friday
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Polmanteer, Ronald A

Nickname Ron **Rate** FPFN **Division** R
Spouse Emily **Hometown** Syracuse, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1955-11 **Years To** 1956-05
Civilian Occupation Pipefitter in the Chemical and Pulp Industry
Special Hobbies Raising blueberries, Fishing
Favorite Memory The still in the smokestack
Worst Memory The demolition and scraping of the ship
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Price, Charles H

Nickname **Rate** BM3 **Division** 2nd Deck
Spouse **Hometown** Hartwell, GA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation School Teacher
Special Hobbies Antique Autos
Favorite Memory To many to list
Worst Memory Running 50 Ft to motor launches in cold weather while anchored at Hampton Roads, VA
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Rigsby, Jim R

Nickname Rate QMSN **Division** CS
Spouse Nancy **Hometown** Coos Bay, OR
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Truck Driver
Special Hobbies Guns, Four Wheel dr s
Favorite Memory CS Div with Chief Bailey
Worst Memory None
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments Would like to hear from anyone left from CS Div in 1953 and 1954.

Rodak, William

Nickname Bill **Rate** ET3 **Division** T
Spouse Dorothy **Hometown** Rochester, NY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1950-11 **Years To** 1952-11
Civilian Occupation Instrument Technician
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing, Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory The time we were at anchor at sea and had a ship bearing down on us in the fog at 0400.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Rodriguez, Robert P

Nickname Rod **Rate** SN **Division** M
Spouse Amadita **Hometown** Los Angles, CA
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Auto Worker for 31 Yrs. General Motors 1958-90
Now Actor
Special Hobbies Acting
Favorite Memory Trips to New York City
Worst Memory 1st Class Boatswain Mate Gilbert
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Scurto, Vito C

Nickname Rate SN Division S-1
Spouse Nancy Hometown Omaha, NE
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) Years From 1954 Years To 1955
Civilian Occupation Union Office APWU
Special Hobbies Sports
Favorite Memory Open Gangway. Night laundry crew
Worst Memory Mess Cooking
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Sesco, James E

Nickname Cisco Kid Rate FA Division
Spouse Divorced Hometown Pikeville, KY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) Years From 1955 Years To
Civilian Occupation Route Salesman (Retired)
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Taken off ship 600 miles at sea-Acute appendicitis
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Shaggy, John M

Nickname Shaggy Rate SN Division 8
Spouse Barbara Hometown Bantam, CT
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) Years From Years To
Civilian Occupation
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Smith, William H

Nickname Bill **Rate** SK 2/C **Division** Supply
Spouse **Hometown** St Marys, WV
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Public School Teacher
Special Hobbies Hand Gunning, Flea Markets, Yard Sales, Rail fan
Favorite Memory Shipping on board
Worst Memory Leaving
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Smith, Calvin I

Nickname CI **Rate** 3rd Class **Division** E
Spouse June **Hometown** Baltimore, MD
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Excavating
Special Hobbies Flying
Favorite Memory Electrician
Worst Memory
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 10 GG4
Special Comments

Sommers, Conrad H

Nickname **Rate** PN2 **Division** X
Spouse Jean **Hometown** Zanesville, OH
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Procurement Officer (Retired)
Special Hobbies Biking, Swimming, Coins
Favorite Memory Reporting on board for duty
Worst Memory While anchored in Portsmouth, middle of the night, a ship sliced into another one, woke us all up!
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

St Laurent, Victor J

Nickname Rate MM3 **Division** M
Spouse Maureen **Hometown** Portsmouth, RI
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1951-01 **Years To** 1952-10
Civilian Occupation High School Teacher
Special Hobbies Reading, Travel, Collectibles
Favorite Memory Firing the first surface to air guided missile
Worst Memory Standing watch in the generator room
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 11
Special Comments

Stark, Paul E

Nickname Rate GM3 **Division** 5-Fox & 3rd
Spouse Vivian (Deceased) **Hometown** Nashville, TN
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1947 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Electrical Contractor
Special Hobbies None
Favorite Memory Too many to tell
Worst Memory Lot of those too!
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 11 GG4
Special Comments

Storey, James Howard

Nickname Rate FN **Division** M
Spouse June **Hometown** Anniston, AL
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1947 **Years To** 1950
Civilian Occupation US Postal Service
Special Hobbies Camping & Traveling
Favorite Memory Celebrating Ed Young's 18th Birthday
Worst Memory A set of battle bars fell on me in Port Engine Room
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Williams, Jack Lee

Nickname Rate SK2 **Division** Supply
Spouse Mae **Hometown** Hudson, NC
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Plant Mgr
Special Hobbies Wood Working
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Capt Mast
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 6 GG2
Special Comments

Wlodyka, Edward J

Nickname Rate BT 1/c **Division** B
Spouse Rosemary **Hometown** Detroit, MI
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Stationary Engineer for Ford Motor Co
Special Hobbies Spending time with my family.
Favorite Memory Having my wife and children with me in Norfolk
Worst Memory Shelf came down and broke my toe.
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 13
Special Comments

Woods, Gerald F

Nickname Rate SHSN **Division** S2
Spouse Patricia Ann **Hometown** Louisville, KY
Ship USS MISSISSIPPI (EAG-128) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Supervisor, Printer
Special Hobbies Travel
Favorite Memory Playing sports for the ship
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments All three Brothers together on the USS MISSISSIPPI. Leon is deceased.

