
Allen, Joseph E

Nickname Joe **Rate** TM 2/C **Division**
Spouse Margaret **Hometown** Brooksville, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1943-01 **Years To** 1945-11
Civilian Occupation Maintenance Specialist
Special Hobbies Church activities, Fishing
Favorite Memory Port calls in Hawaii
Worst Memory Hit by a kamikaze and the loss of many of my shipmates.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Allen, Milton C

Nickname Bud **Rate** RD2 **Division** O
Spouse Mary **Hometown** Johnson City NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950-11 **Years To** 1954-09
Civilian Occupation Forge Shop Worker\Retired since 1987
Special Hobbies Loved to go trout fishing, Wood Working, Used to buy stones, cut them and make jewelry.
Favorite Memory Had many good memories. Can't name a favorite.
Worst Memory Can't think of any
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 14
Special Comments I don't believe I will be attending any Reunions as I am limited quite a bit to arthritis. If there was one nearby, I would surely try to go. Buffalo is only 200 Miles.

Anderson, Donal C

Nickname **Rate** SOG2 **Division** Fox
Spouse Doris E. **Hometown** Armington, IL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959 **Years To** 1961
Civilian Occupation Major, New Hampshire State Police
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Arnold, Cliff J

Nickname Rate FN E-3 **Division** Boiler Room
Spouse **Hometown** Madison, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1964
Civilian Occupation Underground hard rock miner
Special Hobbies Model building, Coin collecting
Favorite Memory Key West Fl. Coming back to the Purdy with too much to drink and swimming off the fantail (with friends in the same condition) at night. Great fun till someone yelled Barracuda! Did you ever try to reach up to the screw guard and pull y yourself out? If you are young and scared, you can do this! LOL
Worst Memory None
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments I served with a lot of good young men and my Chiefs and petty officers were very patient men, considering all the dumb stunts I pulled and they were still there as friends.

Arnold, William J

Nickname Rate SN1 (ETM) **Division** Comm
Spouse **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Construction and Truck Driver
Special Hobbies Bowling, Hunting, Fishing
Favorite Memory When I was accepted as a EMT Striker
Worst Memory 4/12/45 kamikaze attack
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 13
Special Comments

Ashmore, Thomas K

Nickname TK Rate RD2 **Division** OI
Spouse Susan **Hometown** Bronx, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960-04 **Years To** 1962-09
Civilian Occupation Production Planning
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Bachman, Charles J.

Nickname Chuck **Rate** FTG2 **Division**
Spouse Judy **Hometown** Wayne, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1966
Civilian Occupation Gen. Mgr. Sales - AT&T
Special Hobbies Family, Skiing, Tennis
Favorite Memory Seeing home port in 1965 after 32 days at sea (Persian Gulf to Newport, RI)
Worst Memory Saluting the colors and leaving her behind on 8-26-66
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments My 4 years aboard the Purdy were some of my best. Thanks to all of you who brought the ship to life and provided so many fond memories.

Baker, Nathan

Nickname **Rate** Cox **Division** 2nd Deck
Spouse Lillie Mary **Hometown** Miami, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-05 **Years To** 1946-04
Civilian Occupation Florida Real Estate Agent
Special Hobbies Hiking, Fishing
Favorite Memory Walking the streets of Tokyo in Victory
Worst Memory Invasion of Okinawa
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments Hi, guys. Let's take a cruise to the Bahamas!

Baker, Ray A

Nickname Ace **Rate** BTFN **Division**
Spouse Liz **Hometown** Athens, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1959
Civilian Occupation Electrical High Lineman, Truck Driver, and Remodeling Business Owner (Disabled Retired)
Special Hobbies Native American Indian Powwow's, Studying Indian culture and ways
Favorite Memory Crossing the Equator and Arctic Circle
Worst Memory Ramming and sinking a Russian fishing trawler off the coast of Scotland.
Children 8 **Grandchildren** 19
Special Comments

Baldwin, Jr, Leonard

Nickname Baldy **Rate** SOM 1/C **Division** O
Spouse **Hometown** Whitinsville, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Mgr Industrial Relations
Special Hobbies Music, reading
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Barszewski, Chester F

Nickname Barsh **Rate** SM **Division** Gunnery
Spouse Joan **Hometown** Hackensack, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Linotype Operator
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Barcelona, Spain, - Nagoya, Japan
Worst Memory Being called the Dirty Purdy
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Beates, James K

Nickname **Rate** ENS/LTJG **Division**
Spouse Marjorie **Hometown** Northeast, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951-06 **Years To** 1954-05
Civilian Occupation Manager, Kraft Foods Inc
Special Hobbies Traveling, Antiques, Gardening
Favorite Memory Two World Cruises
Worst Memory Hurricane off Cape Hatteras October, 1951
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Beijen, Kenneth W

Nickname Skip **Rate** SM3 **Division**
Spouse **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1966 **Years To** 1968
Civilian Occupation New York State Police, Plains Clothes Investigator
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Biltcliffe, Edwin

Nickname Ed **Rate** RD3 **Division** 1st
Spouse Patricia **Hometown** Charlotte, NC
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1962
Civilian Occupation Dye House Mgr
Special Hobbies Stock Market and Stock Publications
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Boerum, James H

Nickname Jim **Rate** BM2 **Division** 2nd
Spouse Janice **Hometown** Lindenhurst, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Crane Operator/Rigger
Special Hobbies Fishing, Elks Projects, Drug Awareness Programs
Favorite Memory Coming home to Fall River after our second tour to Korea
Worst Memory Standing Gun Watches in Korea during the winter months.
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Boisse, Roger O

Nickname **Rate** Seaman **Division** Com
Spouse Joan **Hometown** Biddeford, ME
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1957 **Years To** 1959
Civilian Occupation Restaurant Owner
Special Hobbies Tennis, Roller Blading, Boating, Dancing
Favorite Memory Meeting Captain in sick bay second day aboard ship
Worst Memory Loosing finger 2nd day aboard ship
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Boley, Gene

Nickname Gene **Rate** RM 2/c **Division**
Spouse Elizabeth **Hometown** Ft Madison IA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Real Estate Sales
Special Hobbies Tennis, Golf, Motorcycles
Favorite Memory Post war Japan duty
Worst Memory Apr 12, 1945 Air attack.
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Bradley, Norman A

Nickname **Rate** FP2 **Division**
Spouse Jean **Hometown** Newton, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1951
Civilian Occupation Plumber (Now) Retired
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Storm off Cape Hatteras
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments Hopefully, I'll make the next one.

Bruce, Howard H

Nickname Rate BT3 Division E
Spouse Elizabeth Hometown Buffalo, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) Years From 1951 Years To 1955
Civilian Occupation GM Autoworker, Now Retired
Special Hobbies Bowling, Shooting, Motorcycle, Traveling, American Legion Post 264, Cribbage, Grandchildren
Favorite Memory Seeing the world at Governments expense
Worst Memory Ship's contact with enemy mine in waters off Korea
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Brunner, George J

Nickname Rate RM 2/C Division Com
Spouse Gloria Hometown Harrison, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) Years From 1944 Years To 1945
Civilian Occupation Electronic Tech.
Special Hobbies Skiing, Travel, Civil War History
Favorite Memory Appropriating midnight chow for the radio shack from the officers mess.
Worst Memory Clean up after Okinawa RPI damage.
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Byrne, Roger J

Nickname Rate MM3 Division M
Spouse Hometown New York, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) Years From 1960 Years To 1962
Civilian Occupation Sales
Special Hobbies Boating, Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Cadie, Harold G

Nickname Howies **Rate** S-2 **Division** C
Spouse Nyla **Hometown** Cortland, IL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946 **Years To** 1948
Civilian Occupation School Ironworker
Special Hobbies Trains, Cars & Models
Favorite Memory The good times on the ship
Worst Memory Being restricted to ship
Children 9 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments I am looking forward to this reunion and being able to see everyone!

Callahan, Robert

Nickname **Rate** SN **Division**
Spouse Jeanne **Hometown** Milton, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1968 **Years To** 1969
Civilian Occupation Electronic Engineer
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory I served on the Fulton for the longest part of my tour as a Radioman
Worst Memory All the commands I served in were great
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments I only served on the USS Purdy as a reservist. I was in the deck division. I remember standing Quarterdeck messenger watches and sweepers, I believe I berthed in aft berthing.

Camarella, Anthony J

Nickname Tony **Rate** GM 2/C **Division** Ord
Spouse Ann **Hometown** Rochester, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1948
Civilian Occupation Office Machine Technician
Special Hobbies Bowling, Golfing
Favorite Memory Enjoyed Mediterranean cruise
Worst Memory Attack by kamikaze at Okinawa
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Campbell, Daniel E

Nickname SH3
Rate SH3 **Division**
Spouse Patricia **Hometown** North Providence, RI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1964 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Maritime Chief Clerk, ILA Union
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Liberty call. Always had a good time.
Worst Memory No bad memories
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments It's a good idea to have reunion and share memories after so many years.

Carpenter, Marcel E

Nickname Gov **Rate** MoMM 3/C **Division**
Spouse Bonnie **Hometown** Elk Rapids, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-08 **Years To** 1945
Civilian Occupation Ret. USAF
Special Hobbies Fishing, Black Powder Matches and Playing Cards
Favorite Memory First day aboard brand new ship
Worst Memory The day it was hit by a Kamikaze off Okinawa
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Carroll, Thomas Vincent

Nickname TC **Rate** TM2 **Division** Fox
Spouse Spouse Deceased **Hometown** Troy, Mi
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958-11 **Years To** 1961-06
Civilian Occupation Security Police Albany Medical Center Hospital
Special Hobbies Volunteer fireman, Baseball, Bingo
Favorite Memory First night aboard, waking up the next morning and finding that we were at sea.
Worst Memory None
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Cashman, Frank C

Nickname Cicero **Rate** BT2 **Division** E
Spouse **Hometown** Chicago, IL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Chief Power Plant Engineer
Special Hobbies Swimming, Biking, Fishing
Favorite Memory Time Spent in Europe
Worst Memory @#?* City
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Casler, Edward W

Nickname Ed **Rate** EN2 **Division** A
Spouse Patricia **Hometown** Herkimer, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Corrections Officer
Special Hobbies Hunting, golf, fishing, Swimming, biking
Favorite Memory Returning to Newport, RI from Korea
Worst Memory A Mine exploding near the ship off Korean coast
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 20
Special Comments

Cavanaugh, Frank

Nickname Cav **Rate** QM 2/c **Division**
Spouse Doris **Hometown** Canfield, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Sales/Admin.
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Shipmates, Friends
Worst Memory April 12, 1945
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments I hope to see you in Hickory, NC in May, 1991 at our first reunion.

Chelf, Ralph L.

Nickname Rate ETCS, RD1 **Division** O
Spouse Helen **Hometown** Knifley, KY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation State Government Administrator
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing
Favorite Memory A Tour of Duty in Northern Europe when we operated independently for several months.
Worst Memory
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Chipman, Merwin L

Nickname Chip **Rate** MM3 **Division** A Gang
Spouse JoAnne **Hometown** Harpswell, ME
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Cifelli, Romeo R

Nickname **Rate** PNSN **Division** 1st
Spouse Ellen **Hometown** New York, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1960
Civilian Occupation Lithographer
Special Hobbies Ran 5 NYC Marathons
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Clark, Thomas A

Nickname **Rate** TE3 **Division** O
Spouse Marie **Hometown** Holtsville, LI, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Earth Science Teacher
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Crossing the line ceremony May 31, 1953
Worst Memory Rain in Korea June 1953, July 1953
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Cleveland, Donald L

Nickname Donnie **Rate** BT3 **Division** B
Spouse Kathy **Hometown** Penacook, NH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Comcast Communications/Field Engineer (Retired)
Special Hobbies Wood Working, Motorcycles, Backyard Barbecues, Gardening
Favorite Memory Traveling through the Suez Canal, the 1965-65 Med-Mideast Cruise, and Christmas in Toulon
Worst Memory Too many good ones to even think about the bad ones
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4 GG1
Special Comments

Cline, Thomas C.

Nickname Tom **Rate** Seaman **Division**
Spouse Revonda **Hometown** Hickory, NC
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Supervisor, Furniture
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Many
Worst Memory Hurricane, 1950
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments

Coates, John W

Nickname **Rate** TM2 **Division** 2nd
Spouse Katie **Hometown** Conway, SC
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952-01 **Years To** 1955-06
Civilian Occupation Production Controller for underwater weapons
Special Hobbies Golf, Tennis, and Fishing
Favorite Memory Crossing the equator for the 2nd time
Worst Memory Crossing the equator for the 1st time
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Coffman, James L

Nickname Jim **Rate** SO1 **Division** 2nd Div.
Spouse Sharon (Deceased) **Hometown** Baltimore, MD
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1955-01 **Years To** 1957-09
Civilian Occupation Restaurant owner & operator
Special Hobbies Photography, Boating, Flying and Music
Favorite Memory Med Cruise and South American Mini Cruise
Worst Memory The day the oil line parted while fueling
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Cohagan, Richard T

Nickname **Rate** EM1 **Division** R
Spouse Earnestine **Hometown** Columbus, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959-12 **Years To** 1960-07
Civilian Occupation Maintenance
Special Hobbies Traveling
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Coleman USN (Ret), Capt. James P

Nickname Jim **Rate** Capt **Division**
Spouse Mae **Hometown** Columbia, SC
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951-09 **Years To** 1953-06
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Collins, Hansford

Nickname Humpty **Rate** SN **Division** 1st Deck
Spouse Ann **Hometown** Bradshaw, WV
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1955-11 **Years To** 1957-08
Civilian Occupation Corrections Officer
Special Hobbies Bowling, Hunting, Fishing, Sports
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory One of the carriers lost one of its planes over the side attempting to land at night. We searched all night. All we found was a helmet and one life jacket
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Conway, Jr., James D

Nickname **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Barbara Ann **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958-02 **Years To** 1959-07
Civilian Occupation Retired Engineer
Special Hobbies Horses, Goats
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Cormell, Laird R

Nickname Jack of the Dust **Rate** 3rd CL **Division** Commissary
Spouse Shirley **Hometown** Youngstown, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945
Civilian Occupation Railroad (Retired)
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Many
Worst Memory Mates that were killed
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Cote, Rudolph J

Nickname Rudy **Rate** BT2 **Division** Eng
Spouse Jeannete **Hometown** Plainfield, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-05 Plan **Years To** 1945-10
Civilian Occupation Truck Driver
Special Hobbies None
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Crawshaw, Edward W

Nickname Eddie **Rate** Y 3/C **Division** C
Spouse Audrey **Hometown** Saint Clair, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946 **Years To** 1947
Civilian Occupation US Postal Clerk
Special Hobbies Golf & Square dancing
Favorite Memory Liberty in Villefranche, France
Worst Memory None
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments Looking forward to getting together and talking about the Purdy days

Crissinger, Robert L

Nickname Bob **Rate** SO3 **Division** O-F
Spouse Victoria **Hometown** Columbus, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1953-04 **Years To** 1955-09
Civilian Occupation Electronics Service Eng Customer Service
Special Hobbies Computers, Model Railroading, Sailing
Favorite Memory Around the world cruise 1953
Worst Memory When I lost the 2nd Batathemograph in the same watch
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 16
Special Comments

Cummings, James B

Nickname Jim **Rate** SN **Division**
Spouse Joan **Hometown** West Orange, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Accountant/Auditor
Special Hobbies Sports, Woodworking
Favorite Memory Return to Newport, RI from 1952
Worst Memory Not saving the overboard shipfitter from the USS Bristol in the Atlantic in October 1951
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Cummings, Joseph

Nickname **Rate** SF 3/C **Division**
Spouse Esther **Hometown** Staten Island, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945
Civilian Occupation Mgr Heating & AC
Special Hobbies Coins, Cards, Bowling
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Curry, Marvin

Nickname Rate BM2 **Division** 1st
Spouse **Hometown** Buffalo, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Ships Supt-Naval Park
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Trips around the world, Korea
Worst Memory Losing people in rough seas off Korea
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Dagey, Floyd E

Nickname Dagey **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Wanda (Fiance) **Hometown** Indianapolis, In
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1945-08
Civilian Occupation Student, enlisted on 17th birthday
Special Hobbies Fishing, Hunting
Favorite Memory Trip thru Panama Canal, 5 Hour Cathouse Liberty in Honolulu
Worst Memory Losing so many friends on April 12, 1945 at Okinawa
Children 7 **Grandchildren** 11
Special Comments I remember I was selected to be a part of the commissioning of the Purdy on 7-18-44 and my buddy (Bob McLevey) (maybe incorrect spelling), who had a girl friend in Bath, ME. begged me to let him take my place. So I did - Love will find a way.

Davis, David H

Nickname **Rate** ET2 **Division** OPS
Spouse Mary Lou **Hometown** Lansford, Pa
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1963
Civilian Occupation Financial Analyst, Pricer with IBM
Special Hobbies Skiing, Traveling, Running
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Davis, Dennis I

Nickname Denny **Rate** IC2 **Division** R
Spouse **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1967 **Years To** 1969
Civilian Occupation Plumber
Special Hobbies Hunting, fishing
Favorite Memory Becoming a man! Making new friends like Chief Amos Hart (sonar)
Worst Memory Getting sea sick
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments Sorry I can't make the reunion.

Decker, Raymond E

Nickname **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Marilyn **Hometown** East Rockaway, L.I. NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946-04 **Years To** 1947-09
Civilian Occupation Restaurant Owner
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

DeLamarter, William D

Nickname Del **Rate** BT2 **Division** E
Spouse Wanda **Hometown** Waterloo, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Equipment Operator
Special Hobbies Boating, travel
Favorite Memory On the Med Cruise, we came within miles of the equator
Worst Memory Being on the Cuban Blockade
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

DePetro, Albert

Nickname Duce, Al
Spouse Jean
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Dept of Defense
Special Hobbies Retired, golf, beach
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Devine, Dennis J

Nickname
Spouse Frances
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Middleboro Police Officer
Special Hobbies Football Official, Hunting, Fishing, Shooting
Favorite Memory I had a lot of great times on the Purdy
Worst Memory March 13, 1970 pulling into Nassau when I got hurt by the life raft falling on me.
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Dezman, Kenneth J

Nickname
Spouse Peggy
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Utility Electrician
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Dinardo, Ronald

Nickname Ron **Rate** RM3 **Division**
Spouse Leslie **Hometown** East Hartford, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Firefighter/Paramedic Part time Musician
Special Hobbies Fishing, Golf
Favorite Memory Providing music during refueling and resupplying
Worst Memory Mess Duty
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

DiPasquale USN (Ret), MMC Larry

Nickname Larry Dee **Rate** MM3 **Division** M
Spouse Karen **Hometown** Allentown, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1963
Civilian Occupation Owner of Vallee Upholstery Custom Upholstery & Drapery business.
Special Hobbies Navy Reserve-Naval Enlisted Reserve (NERA) Motorcycles, Travel
Favorite Memory Sea turtle chase during 1962 Med Cruise
Worst Memory May 1974 Seeing the PURDY sitting high and dry in Philadelphia shipyard moth-ball fleet awaiting final fate (sinking or scrapyard?)
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments All PURDY sailors. Come to one reunion, and you will never miss another.

Dow, William S

Nickname Bill **Rate** SK2 **Division** S
Spouse Janet **Hometown** Farmington, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1962
Civilian Occupation Printing
Special Hobbies NASCAR Racing, Camping, Bowling, Country Dancing
Favorite Memory Mediterranean Cruise Aug 1960-Feb 1961. I appreciated it more later than when I went.
Worst Memory Naples, Italy New Years Eve
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments It was a very good learning experience and helped me grow up and be independent. I learned to take care of myself and to be a leader.

Doyle, Hubert R

Nickname Hubie **Rate** S03 **Division** Sonar
Spouse **Hometown** Mount Carmel, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Writer
Special Hobbies Literature, Music, Baseball, Sports, Handball
Favorite Memory Various short leaves in foreign countries and participation in baseball, basketball with close shipmates.
Worst Memory Boredom at sea on night watches
Children 0 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments Ask John Bendel, Donn Spencer, Bill Schneider, Tom Schofield to contact me.

Doyle, Thomas D

Nickname **Rate** SN **Division** 1st
Spouse Carol **Hometown** New Hyde Park, L.I. NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Hydraulic Mech.
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Sailing across the Pacific
Worst Memory Standing too close to a 5" gun when it fired - knocked me right on my butt.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Dube, Francis J

Nickname Frank **Rate** SR **Division** 1st
Spouse Carol **Hometown** Upper Darby, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1949-04 **Years To** 1949-04
Civilian Occupation Currently Retired-Sheet metal Worker 10 Yrs--Engineer & Manager in various electronic industries for 15 Yrs. Production Mgr for Color Process Co till I retired 4 years ago.
Special Hobbies The American Legion, Hunting, Fishing, Model Making, Toy trains & Collecting miniature soldiers.
Favorite Memory Everything. The Purdy participated in Atlantic Fleet maneuvers with the rest of the Acey Deucey Squadron, Carriers Roosevelt & Leyte, several other vessels out of Norfolk. It was my first experience on the high seas.
Worst Memory Centered around the mess hall. Will only discuss in private.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Dunham, Elmer

Nickname Elmo **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division** I
Spouse Ednamae **Hometown** Cincinnati, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** **Years To**
Civilian Occupation Tech Rep DuPont Co
Special Hobbies Tennis & Photography
Favorite Memory Trip thru canal
Worst Memory Okinawa invasion
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments My crew saved ship from collision in Atlantic

Duval, Raymond F

Nickname Duke **Rate** RM3 **Division**
Spouse **Hometown** Revere, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946-09 **Years To** 1947-09
Civilian Occupation Banking, Loans/Credit etc
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Leaving the Purdy
Children 1 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Eaves, Pierson L

Nickname **Rate** CSC **Division** S
Spouse Amaryllis **Hometown** Selma, AL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Mailman
Special Hobbies Woodworking and crafts
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Engine room explosion
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments Come visit our town of Norfolk, VA. It's not the same.

Eckert, Richard M

Nickname Rate EM3 Division E
Spouse Ruth **Hometown** Buffalo, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Manager Machine Tool Group
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments I enjoyed my four years serving in the Navy

Ely, Lee D

Nickname Rate SN Division 1st
Spouse **Hometown** Baltimore, MD
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1961
Civilian Occupation US Postal Service
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 0 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Erman USN (Ret), Arthur G

Nickname Gerry Rate SK1 Division Supply
Spouse Consuelo **Hometown** San Gabriel, CA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1965 **Years To** 1966
Civilian Occupation General Contractor
Special Hobbies Building Street Machines/Resto Rods
Favorite Memory Pulling liberty with QM# Lare Poucher and FTG3 Chuck Bachman on the Great Lakes Cruise
Worst Memory Losing the ship's barber and having to learn how to cut hair and fill in after ship's far from DesRon 12 to ResDesRon 30. Hope my information is correct.
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 20+
Special Comments Greatest oys Club with the greatest people that I have ever been associated with

Espeseth, Robert D

Nickname Bob **Rate** LTJG **Division** Eng
Spouse Mary Ann **Hometown** Cameron, WI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation University of Illinois Faculty
Special Hobbies Golf, traveling, sports, officiating track, rowing, cross-country skiing, swimming, walking
Favorite Memory 1) When Ens. Bob Corder missed the ship leaving Havana harbor but caught a water-taxi, came alongside and crawled aboard over the screw guards. He was "in hack" the rest of the cruise. 2) Being on the bridge during the morning watch with a beautiful sunrise on the horizon and calm seas.
Worst Memory Being sicker than a dog when we came by Cape Hatteras on the way back from Gitmo and were rolling up to 40 degrees each way
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments I hope some of the fellows from my period on the Purdy will be able to come. It will be great to see whoever shows up.

Evancic, Donald F

Nickname **Rate** BT3 **Division** Eng-Aft Fire Rm
Spouse Joanne **Hometown** Cleveland, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1949-10 **Years To** 1953-06
Civilian Occupation Bio-Medical Engineer
Special Hobbies Golf, Travel
Favorite Memory Two World cruises, many friends and shipmates
Worst Memory If I had one, it would be standing check watch during a hurricane. Aw..let's see, Punching tubes, cleaning bilges. A good life below decks
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 11 GG3
Special Comments

Evans, Wesley W

Nickname West **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Judy **Hometown** Tucson, AZ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Co
Special Hobbies Hunting, Church, Mountains
Favorite Memory Captains mast for being outstanding sailor.
Worst Memory When I called LTCDR Pheasant, Mr Birdman
Children 5 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments Would like to hear from Jerry Gray, Johnnie Combs, Jessie Laman, Arnold Aritt and others I served with aboard ship.

Folden, Ira N

Nickname Bill **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division**
Spouse Alene **Hometown** Huntington WV
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1946-01
Civilian Occupation Supervisory Contract specialist US Army
Special Hobbies Bowling and golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Hit by suicide plane #1 Picket Sta. Okinawa, April 12,1945
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments When we moved from Huntington in 1964. I lost track of my Navy friends.

Forcum, Jack N

Nickname **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Golly **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-05 **Years To** 1946-04
Civilian Occupation Engineer
Special Hobbies Sailing and Travel
Favorite Memory Going thru Panama Canal
Worst Memory April 12, 1945 off Okinawa
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Forson, William E

Nickname **Rate** SM1 **Division** CS
Spouse Rose **Hometown** New Orleans, LA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1967 **Years To** 1969
Civilian Occupation Locksmith
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Foster, John C

Nickname
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Safety Engineer
Special Hobbies Golf, Reading
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Fryer, Dean K

Nickname
Spouse Lois
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Product Specialist (Honeywell), Church Custodian
Special Hobbies Golf, Bowling, Theatre attendance, singing in my church choir
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Riding out a typhoon on the Inland Sea in late 1945
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments I have a problem trying to remember the names of my shipmates on the PURDY, so I am placing an order for the SENTIMENTAL JOURNAL to help jog my memory.

Fuller, Bob W

Nickname Bob
Spouse Carolyn -Deceased
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Retired, Electrical Engineer/Sales Mgr, Square Dance Co.
Special Hobbies Travel, Coin Collecting
Favorite Memory 1947 Mediterranean Cruise
Worst Memory Crashing into mole at Gibraltar of Hyman DD 732
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Gauerke, Bernard E

Nickname Bernie
Spouse Virginia
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation GTE Corp Telephone Mgmt
Special Hobbies Camping, Fishing, Boy Scouts
Favorite Memory Med Cruise in 1962
Worst Memory None
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Gerardi, Charles J

Nickname Chuck
Spouse Eileen
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Xerox Corp, Customer Service Engineer
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing, Black Powder Shooting
Favorite Memory Arriving at Anchorage in Gulf Juan, France after a rough Atlantic crossing
Worst Memory The time a 55 gal drum of gasoline broke loose in a storm at night. The ship became saturated in gasoline fumes. A DC 1st named Johnson and the XO, Lt Cdr Hodder went out together with lines tied to them and cut it loose with fire axes from the fantail
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments I think about my shipmates often. Wish we could turn back the clock and do it again.

Gibbons, David W

Nickname Dave
Spouse Divorced
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation National Sales Manager Lobbyist
Special Hobbies Golf, snow skiing, bike riding
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Okinawa and the death of my best friend, killed in action, Herb Kern FC 2/c
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments I would be delighted to meet anyone at all from the original CIC gang--Tiffany, Rolands, Sherlock, Connell, Cohen, Berkowitz, Ratner, Dunham, Edmonson, Exec Off--Ike Davenport, Pike and Zemla

Green, Robert Clayon

Nickname Bob **Rate** BT2 **Division** Fire Rm
Spouse Cathy **Hometown** Avoca, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950-06 **Years To** 1954-05
Civilian Occupation Engineer, Plant Mgr, Plainwell Paper Co
Special Hobbies Golf, House Design & Building
Favorite Memory Equator crossings & Admiral Inspection. I was hour guard the Admiral fell from whale boat in water coming aboard. I was laughing and got put on report Ha Ha!!
Worst Memory 1st time I was sea sick
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments

Greener, Ronald C

Nickname **Rate** YN3 **Division**
Spouse **Hometown** Monticello, MN
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1964
Civilian Occupation Retired from Colorado Dept of Trans
Special Hobbies Hunting
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4 GG1
Special Comments

Grose, Robert F

Nickname Bob **Rate** Ensign/Lt **Division** Deck
Spouse Ann **Hometown** Milton, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1946-06
Civilian Occupation Instructor and eventually Professor of Psychology, Amherst College, Mass 1950-1992; Registrar 1956-1978; Director of Institutional Research 1976-1992.
Special Hobbies Travel, Collecting Old American Tools especially wood on carpenter planks made in Amherst, MA
Favorite Memory Some of those great sunsets and sunrises, Mail Call
Worst Memory Hurricanes, Typhoon off Japan 1945/46, But especially April 12, 1945-Kamikaze hit while we were on radar picket station about 50 miles north of Hagushi, Okinawa
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Harrington, III, Frederick A

Nickname Harry the Head **Rate** SN **Division** 1st
Spouse Judy **Hometown** Sodus Point, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1961
Civilian Occupation Salesman
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing, Talking
Favorite Memory All the memories
Worst Memory Singling up the line
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 6 GG3
Special Comments God Bless all my Shipmates!!

Harris, Bruce W

Nickname Harry **Rate** FTG SN **Division**
Spouse Sue **Hometown** Jamestown, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1968-02 **Years To** 1971-10
Civilian Occupation VP, H&H Metal Specialty Inc
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing and Boating
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory 45 days restriction, 45 days extra duty
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments Please attend the reunion if at all possible.

Hartman, Jr, Stuart L

Nickname Stu **Rate** LT (jg) **Division** I
Spouse Barbara **Hometown** Danville, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945
Civilian Occupation Real Estate Broker (Retired)
Special Hobbies Church, golf, children and grandchildren
Favorite Memory Friends made who were very capable men
Worst Memory When ship was hit by Kamikaze
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments I think about you often. Sorry I cannot attend the reunion.

Hartz, Richard F

Nickname Dick **Rate** MM 2/c **Division** E
Spouse Isabella **Hometown** Bethlehem
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Clerk - Bethlehem Steel. Now Retired.
Special Hobbies Fishing, Gardening
Favorite Memory World Cruise
Worst Memory None
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Hatfield, Cletus R

Nickname Clet **Rate** QM3 **Division** 1st Div Operations
Spouse Divorced **Hometown** Bloody Ridge, KY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1962
Civilian Occupation Construction worker and Appliance repairman
Special Hobbies Archeology
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 8 **Grandchildren** 22
Special Comments

Hayton, Wondell E

Nickname Ed **Rate** CS3 **Division** Sup
Spouse Mary **Hometown** Prichard, WV
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1953-05 **Years To** 1954-12
Civilian Occupation Retired from USN 9/30/74 as Chief Petty Officer E-7-MSC..2nd Cook at YMCA
Huntington WV 15 Yrs.
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing & Traveling
Favorite Memory Helping to make the 6 ft Homecoming Cake in Oct. 1953.
Worst Memory When Capt Coleman was seriously injured in auto accident.
Children 10 **Grandchildren** 11
Special Comments

Hazen, Donald (Don) S.

Nickname Don **Rate** HT1 **Division** R
Spouse Agnes **Hometown** San Diego, CA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1972-09 **Years To** 1973-07
Civilian Occupation Assembler/Welder Building Hospital Equipment (Sterilizers)
Special Hobbies Computers and Golf
Favorite Memory My Shipmates and being at sea doing 30 knots with high wind in my face and looking at new rooster tail from the stern
Worst Memory Riding out a storm in Cape Hatteras
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Helman, George B

Nickname **Rate** TM2 **Division** Weapons
Spouse Louise **Hometown** Riverside, CA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1970 **Years To** 1973
Civilian Occupation Quality/Safety Manager
Special Hobbies Large scale trains, motorcycles, wood working
Favorite Memory Docked in Ft Lauderdale during Spring break
Worst Memory Finding out at quarters that one of your shipmates was about to jump from the Bragga bridge
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Hendricks, Frank

Nickname **Rate** RM2/E-5 **Division** CR
Spouse Arlene **Hometown** Yonkers, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1964 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Photography, crafts, bird watching, gardening, coin collecting amongst things
Favorite Memory It was really nice and decent of the galley to offer us RM's hot, out of the oven bread smothered with butter to go with our hot coffee on those mid watches. And as well, I commented: The courage of the USS PURDY crewmen and officers in the face of adversity.
Worst Memory The heat in the Red Sea and surrounding area with no A/C. The trip home, high and stormy seas. Also the sulphur pills. I took them every morning, they smelled like rotten eggs. We took them to protect against Malaria (at least that is what I was told).
Children 1 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Hensinger, William C

Nickname Bill **Rate** Ensign **Division** 2nd
Spouse Pat **Hometown** Moorestown, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1964-02 **Years To** 1965-08
Civilian Occupation Information Technology Manager (Retired)
Special Hobbies Red Cross Volunteer, Travel, Reading
Favorite Memory Med & Persian Gulf Cruise 1964-65
Worst Memory Gitmo refresher training
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Henson, Elbert Curtis

Nickname Curtis **Rate** GM 2/c **Division** Ordinance
Spouse Aurelia **Hometown** Camden, AL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1946-02
Civilian Occupation School Administrator and College Teacher
Special Hobbies Wood Working, Reading
Favorite Memory Going aboard in Bath, Maine in 1944 and getting off in Tokyo in 1946
Worst Memory The storm on the Shakedown trip from Bermuda in 1944. Radar picket #2 in April 1945
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Herbein, John G

Nickname Jack **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division** Weapons
Spouse Angela **Hometown** Birdsboro, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962-08 **Years To** 1963-12
Civilian Occupation Worked for GPV, Electric Utility Co in power production
Special Hobbies Power Lifting
Favorite Memory Finally catching ship in Fall 1962 in Leghorn, Italy after long overseas flight and winning the "Weapons E" for the Squadron
Worst Memory Off Loading Ammo in Earl, NJ while the Cuban Missile crisis unfolded
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments I often think of you all and the good times we had on PURDY. Do you remember when we rescued the Cubans in the open boat off the coast of Florida. Probably summer/fall 1963. CDR Ansel was our CO

Hering, Thomas C

Nickname Tom **Rate** E-3 **Division** OPS
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Hometown** Indialantic, FL
Years From 1967 **Years To** 1968
Civilian Occupation Quality Assurance/Electronics
Special Hobbies Amateur Radio, Astronomy
Favorite Memory First weekend aboard (sometime in 1967) I reported in. Since it was a weekend they told me I could go on leave, so I went to Boston. I had a good time, got drunk and the SP's had to keep me overnight in jail. Monday morning, partially out of uniform and totally sick, I was thrown in the back of a SP vehicle and brought to Fall River to the Purdy so I could report aboard. RD3 Stockwin (?) never let me forget this episode, he said he knew I was gonna be something else when he saw me escorted aboard that first day by the shore patrol.
Worst Memory My first voyage out of port I believe was a trip to Gitmo! (My bad luck) I was fine till I left the harbor channel outside of Newport, RI. As soon as special sea detail was over, I was told I had mess duty in the scullery. I started to get sea sick as soon as the ship started to roll. I had to do dishes three times a day for a week till I finally got to make salads for the big shot E-4 cook. He tried to show me the "sea bats" on the fan tail, but I was too smart for him. That's my story, and I'm stickin to it.
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Hewitt, Mack D

Nickname Hugh **Rate** BT3 **Division** E
Spouse Grace **Hometown** Tampa, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Stationary Engineer
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Just about all of them
Worst Memory Being transferred off at Oakland, CA
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Hohensee USNR (Ret), Roger E

Nickname **Rate** SN **Division** Supply
Spouse Linda **Hometown** Wymore, NE
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962-11 **Years To** 1964-03
Civilian Occupation Assembly Plant GM
Special Hobbies Model Trains & Bowling
Favorite Memory Port Arthur, TX
Worst Memory
Children 0 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Holman, Jack W

Nickname Cotton **Rate** **Division**
Spouse LaVonne **Hometown** Casper, WY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1945 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Amoco Oil Co, Casper Refinery
Special Hobbies Traveling, golf, crafts, boating, wood working, hunting
Favorite Memory Japan and Panama Canal
Worst Memory Storms at sea
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Holmberg, Lennart G

Nickname Len **Rate** Lcdr **Division** XO
Spouse Lee **Hometown** Brooklyn, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1964-07 **Years To** 1966-02
Civilian Occupation Regular Navy--36 years, currently self-employed consultant
Special Hobbies Travel, fixing things
Favorite Memory The Med/Mid-East Cruise in "64-65
Worst Memory Gitmo
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

House, Ralph

Nickname Rough House **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Marjorie **Hometown** Webster Springs, WV
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1955-04 **Years To** 1945-04
Civilian Occupation Dry Cleaning for many years, then Maintenance Dept. for Grand Rapids Board of Education
Special Hobbies Woodworking, Boy Scouts & other Youth Groups
Favorite Memory Sailing through the Panama Canal
Worst Memory April 12, 1945. The day our ship was hit by a suicide plane. Our President died the same day.
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments

Hugo, Benjamin C

Nickname Ben **Rate** MM 1/C **Division**
Spouse Constance **Hometown** Rutherford, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** Comm **Years To** War End
Civilian Occupation Paper Board Salesman
Special Hobbies Pitch & Put Golf, Bridge Numismatics
Favorite Memory The weeks the Purdy was the school ship - Norfolk, VA
Worst Memory Kamikaze attack 4-12-45, Okinawa
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 12
Special Comments Hope to see them all

Hunter, Robert E

Nickname Bob **Rate** M2/c **Division** E
Spouse Virginia **Hometown** Anderson, IN
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Pipefitter-Maintenance GMC (Retired)
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing, Golf, Gardening
Favorite Memory All
Worst Memory None
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Hurt, Mikchael

Nickname **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division** Supply Officer
Spouse Kaye **Hometown** Kansas City, KS
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1969-06 **Years To** 1971-05
Civilian Occupation Business Owner
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Hutchinson, Edward S

Nickname Ed
Spouse Eleanor
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Boiler Inspector
Special Hobbies R C Helicopters
Favorite Memory 2 world cruises
Worst Memory
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Hutchinson, Junior R

Nickname Hutch, Jr
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Ingulsrud, Olger N

Nickname Bud
Spouse Jane
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation General Foreman Electrician, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, part time Sr. Eng. Tech. With Naval Sea.
Special Hobbies Travel around the US in our mobile home
Favorite Memory The day the Purdy returned to Newport, RI in April 1952 after tour of duty in Korea and around the world cruise
Worst Memory As range finder in MK 37 director, took optical range on small boat with 3 North Koreans in it and watched as a 5" shell burst above the boat, killing all 3
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Ironside, Frank A

Nickname Rate MM1 Division M & A
Spouse Frances - DECEASED **Hometown** Detroit, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948-03 **Years To** 1952-06
Civilian Occupation High School Maintenance
Special Hobbies High School Athletics
Favorite Memory Around the world Cruises
Worst Memory Being hit by tanker off coast of Maine
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 11
Special Comments

Jacobsen, Arnold B

Nickname Jake Rate BM2 Division
Spouse Barbara **Hometown** Gardner, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946 **Years To** 1947
Civilian Occupation Shipper & Baler Now fully retired
Special Hobbies Flowers, birds & cooking
Favorite Memory The Med. Trip
Worst Memory Failed to recover Torpedoes
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments . Would like to hear from any shipmates that knew me. Rusty, Stout, Gerstiene, Cline, Bergstrom, and Pruitt.

Jernstrom, Donald L

Nickname Rate MM3 Division E
Spouse Joan **Hometown** Wattsburg, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Farmer/ AG Technician University of Florida Star
Special Hobbies Fishing, Snow Skiing
Favorite Memory Med cruise
Worst Memory Korea
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Jesso, Harold E

Nickname Jesso **Rate** BM2 **Division**
Spouse Shirley **Hometown** Gloucester, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1947 **Years To** 1950
Civilian Occupation Data Processing Audit Sup
Special Hobbies Ship Models and Coin
Favorite Memory Trip from Oslo, Norway to Narvik via the Feords
Worst Memory The Chief claimed that I went AWOL
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Kahapea, Chester G

Nickname **Rate** EM3 **Division** Engineering
Spouse Sybil **Hometown** Honolulu, Hawaii
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960-03-22 **Years To** 1962-09-01
Civilian Occupation Sports Marketing--Golf (PGA Tour) Tournament Management
Special Hobbies Volunteer--Charity work, Swimming, Golf
Favorite Memory Favorite memories are meeting my shipmates from different areas of the country and sharing good time together.
Worst Memory None
Children 8 **Grandchildren** 22
Special Comments Just would like to see or hear from old buddies. Not getting any younger

Kain, Richard L

Nickname **Rate** RD2 **Division** 1st
Spouse Nancy **Hometown** Lakeland, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1964
Civilian Occupation Field test Engineer for GTE
Special Hobbies Golf, Boating, Travel, RV camping
Favorite Memory Being member of the softball team
Worst Memory The XO's idea of a Hollywood shower
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4 GG4
Special Comments

Karstens, Jerald

Nickname Jerry **Rate** CSSN **Division** S
Spouse **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1955 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Retired Military, US Army 27 years
Special Hobbies Fishing and Hunting
Favorite Memory Seeing the different countries
Worst Memory A bad storm coming home from the Med Cruise
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 12
Special Comments

Keith, Robert L

Nickname Master **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Hazel **Hometown** Orangeburg, SC
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1955-04 **Years To** 1957-12
Civilian Occupation Police Officer
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Going on a Med. Cruise
Worst Memory Leaving the crew for good
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Kelly, Albert J

Nickname **Rate** RM2 **Division** OC
Spouse Divorced **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1966
Civilian Occupation Retired Philadelphia Police Detective. At present I am the President and CEO of Amcor International Investigative Service.
Special Hobbies PADI scuba diver instructor specializing in teaching the handicapped.
Favorite Memory New Years Eve pouring champagne into the teletype equipment.
Worst Memory Cleaning the teletype equipment after the champagne turned to gum.
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments Looking back in retrospect, as young men on the PURDY. We carried more responsibility for one another than anyone realized at the time. I would like to say that I am proud to have served with the crew of the USS PURDY and grateful for the many memories. I

Kelsey USN (Ret), QMCS James

Nickname Jim **Rate** QMC **Division** NAV
Spouse Barbara **Hometown** San Diego, CA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1970 **Years To** 1973
Civilian Occupation HVAC Tech
Special Hobbies Working with Youth Sports Programs
Favorite Memory 1. Playing on the Championship ball team and going to Charleston for Atlantic Fleet championship.
2. Passing insurv insp & allowing Purdy to survive 2 yrs longer, resulting in a huge congratulatory party put on by our skipper.
Worst Memory Panic call that a team member and great shipmate was at the acme of Braga Bridge in Fall River, MA preparing to jump. Climbed to the top to re-assure him that this was not the answer to his personal problem and that his baby daughter would not like the memory of her Daddy committing suicide. Finally with the help of a Chaplain who came up from Newport, he was assured that he would not be court-martialed. This scary event came to a good ending and he came back down and agreed to mental health counseling.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 7 GG1
Special Comments Current health problems prevent making the trip to New London, but hearts and thoughts will be with all shipmates. You ALL have a lot to be proud of. My best tour in all of 22 1/2 yrs of Naval service!

Kennedy, James E

Nickname Jim **Rate** QM **Division**
Spouse Mary **Hometown** Boston, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951-08 **Years To** 1954-03
Civilian Occupation Supervisor, Bureau of Special Investigations
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Kern, Craig

Nickname **Rate** RMC **Division**
Spouse Sharon **Hometown** Waterloo, IA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1956-11 **Years To** 1957-04
Civilian Occupation Small Business Owner
Special Hobbies Fishing, Hunting, Camping
Favorite Memory GITMO 1957
Worst Memory First reporting on board from boot and the Purdy was in the Yards
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Kilgore, Willie S

Nickname Bill **Rate** SM 1/c **Division** S
Spouse Grace **Hometown** Atlanta, GA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1947
Civilian Occupation Barber
Special Hobbies None
Favorite Memory Fargo Building, Boston, MA 1945
Worst Memory Suicide bomber, 1945
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 4 GG2
Special Comments

King, Dwight C

Nickname Red **Rate** TM 3/C **Division** 2nd
Spouse Barbara **Hometown** Livermore, IA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952-12 **Years To** 1954-05
Civilian Occupation Printer
Special Hobbies Piano, Golf
Favorite Memory The World Cruise 1953
Worst Memory
Children 1 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments I have my Cruise Book from 1953. I refer to it a lot. Many fond memories.

Kirkpatrick, Gerald W

Nickname Kirk **Rate** CS3 **Division** Supply
Spouse Fay **Hometown** Mount Joy, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1964-11 **Years To** 1966-09
Civilian Occupation Security Supervisor
Special Hobbies Bible studies, helping people with needs, walking, watching birds
Favorite Memory When Purdy was in Aden 1965, major problems with terrorists trying to attack our ship!
Nobody wants to talk about it, don't know why! I had great memories on the Purdy!
Worst Memory Coming home from the Med Cruise in 1965 storm after storm after storm!
Children 0 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments If I could do it all over again I would do it with the same ship and same men!

Kleist, Kenneth

Nickname Ken **Rate** FT-3 **Division**
Spouse **Hometown** Milwaukee, WI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1963
Civilian Occupation Center Township Clerk & Treasurer-Kokomo Shrine Club
Special Hobbies Fixing up old houses
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Klinger, Don Wayne

Nickname **Rate** BM3 **Division** 1st
Spouse Marcia **Hometown** Millersburg
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Architect
Special Hobbies Painting, Ball Room Dancing
Favorite Memory Liberty in Japan
Worst Memory Crossing the Equator
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments

Knepell, Thomas

Nickname Tom **Rate** ENS **Division** Engr
Spouse Anne **Hometown** New York, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1962
Civilian Occupation IT Executive
Special Hobbies Fly fishing, Skiing
Favorite Memory 1962 Med Cruise. Great liberty and tours from Istanbul to Greece, Italy and French Rivera
Worst Memory RefTra in Gitmo--including turning around for blockade mission and aborting liberty planned in Jamaica. When finally returning to home port Newport in time for Christmas, delaying to go over the side to clean the hull.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Knox, Rod

Nickname Big Rod **Rate** FLS **Division** 1st
Spouse Lisa **Hometown** New York
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Architecture
Special Hobbies Work
Favorite Memory Swim Call in middle of the Atlantic
Worst Memory A Boatswain Mate Called Sharpless
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Kobasa, John P

Nickname **Rate** TM2 **Division**
Spouse Jean **Hometown** Cohoes, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945
Civilian Occupation Welder
Special Hobbies Fishing
Favorite Memory Beer Party at Guam
Worst Memory Invasion of Okinawa
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Kooiman, John J

Nickname Mustahceio **Rate** COX **Division**
Spouse Alvina Ruth **Hometown** Grand Rapids, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-05 **Years To** 1945 late
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Hunting, Woodwork, Travel
Favorite Memory Securing the bow of whale boat when the bowhook was having trouble, because of the high waves
Worst Memory Either getting burned by hot soup during an argument with the red head gunnery officer or almost losing my right leg to the #2 twin 5".
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Kozack, Peter

Nickname		Rate RD3	Division
Spouse Barbara		Hometown Brooklyn, NY	
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)		Years From 1966-02	Years To 1967-07
Civilian Occupation	Deputy Warden (Retired) N.Y.C. Correction		
Special Hobbies	Trap shooting, hunting, fishing, & dog training		
Favorite Memory	Winning the touch football championship		
Worst Memory			
Children	0	Grandchildren	0

Special Comments

Ksenak, Andrew J

Nickname Andy		Rate 3rd Class	Division
Spouse Helen		Hometown Ithaca, NY	
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)		Years From 1944	Years To 1948
Civilian Occupation	Machinist		
Special Hobbies	Puzzles		
Favorite Memory	The day I became a "Shellback"		
Worst Memory	When my buddy, Schwartz, got killed by enemy fire after he just came out of the hospital ship. Instead of staying inside he went out to look at the battle.		
Children	3	Grandchildren	3 GG2

Special Comments

Lamar, William J

Nickname Jesse		Rate MM2	Division M
Spouse Mary		Hometown Pleasant Hill, MO	
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)		Years From 1961	Years To 1964
Civilian Occupation	Air Conditioning, Heating & Temperature Control Contractor		
Special Hobbies	Work & Weekend Golf		
Favorite Memory	1962 Med Cruise		
Worst Memory			
Children	4	Grandchildren	1

Special Comments

Lambert, Clinton C

Nickname
Spouse Beverly
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Steel Fabrication
Special Hobbies Coin Collecting
Favorite Memory Med Cruises
Worst Memory None
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Lamora, Andrew M

Nickname
Spouse Marie
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Maintenance
Special Hobbies Scuba diving & motorcycle riding
Favorite Memory Going to Saudi Arabia, seeing how lucky we are to be born Americans, than any other country.
Worst Memory Almost being rammed by the carrier in the Med.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Landowski, Paul D

Nickname Ski
Spouse Madeline
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Railroad. Now Retired
Special Hobbies Art
Favorite Memory Seeing all the different parts of the world.
Worst Memory Mines in water off Korean Coast
Children **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments Just to say Hi to all that are still around.

Lane, Paul D

Nickname Rate BT3 Division B
Spouse Renee **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1973 **Years To** 1974
Civilian Occupation Boiler Operator for my State
Special Hobbies Old Cars
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Lannom, James E

Nickname Jim Rate MM1 Division M
Spouse Martha **Hometown** Nashville, TN
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation US Army Corps of Engineers Hydro Power Operations. Retired 1993. Now work for FEMA at disaster sites on part time basis
Special Hobbies Sports & Square dancing
Favorite Memory Crossing the Equator the second time
Worst Memory Crossing the Equator for the first time
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Lautenbach, Robert D.

Nickname Luke Rate MM2 Division
Spouse **Hometown** Grand Rapids, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Engineer
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Lavaroni, Charles

Nickname Lavie **Rate** RDM 3 **Division** Comm/CIC
Spouse Barbara **Hometown** San Anselmo, CA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1945 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Education
Special Hobbies Golf/Swing Music (I had a band)
Favorite Memory Liberty in Hiroshima. Finding and exploding Japanese mines in the Inland Sea
Worst Memory A couple of very stormy nights at sea!
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Lee, David B

Nickname Dave **Rate** DK2 **Division** Supply
Spouse **Hometown** West Hartford, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1959
Civilian Occupation Remodeling Contractor (Residential)
Special Hobbies Remodeling, Old English Cars, Boats
Favorite Memory At sea. Fair & Foul
Worst Memory Loading Stores
Children 4 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Lee, James Robert

Nickname Jim **Rate** MM3 **Division** Engr
Spouse Jacquie **Hometown** Pontiac, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1958
Civilian Occupation Service Technician-Sears Roebuck 1971-87 (retired) Now work part time at local funeral home (Smith Turner Mortuary), Yukon, OK
Special Hobbies Wood working, Volunteering, Family, Church
Favorite Memory Was the duty station, Newport, RI. "Costly" Poor housing that was also very costly. Went into debt there, (never got out). As a couple, we didn't like Newport, people weren't friendly like in OK or the south.
Worst Memory Sight seeing while at sea. Seeing places I would never have seen.
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 17
Special Comments I changed my rate on the PURDY in 1958. I made 2nd Class Machinist Mate and 3rd Class Draftsman illustrator (at the same time). I took the draftsman rate and left the PURDY. I retired Aug 1971 as a DM1.

LeMay, Richard

Nickname
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Carpenter
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory I can't think of any favorites, but I did enjoy my time on board. I did meet some good guys (enlisted and officers) and a few of us had a few good times. Naples, Italy; Istanbul, Turkey and a few more places
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Lemmond, Joel M

Nickname
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Captain, Sanford Fire Dept
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Lenzi, Daniel J

Nickname Dan
Spouse Spouse Deceased
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Music
Favorite Memory The Crew
Worst Memory Cuban Blockade 1962
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments Miss you all. Good Luck

Lewis, Richard L

Nickname Rich **Rate** FTG2 **Division** 2nd
Spouse Doris **Hometown** Beacon Falls, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1961 **Years To** 1963
Civilian Occupation IBM Field Service Technician
Special Hobbies Wood Working
Favorite Memory Med Cruise, Friends
Worst Memory Following hurricane up coast coming back from Med Cruise
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Lindner, Andrew J

Nickname Andy **Rate** GM 3/C **Division** O
Spouse Audrey **Hometown** Pittsburgh, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Retired Telephone Installer
Special Hobbies Crafts, bowling, fishing, pool
Favorite Memory When I was on Wheel watch coming back to the states from England, the water was rough and we took a big roll, and knocked the Capt and half the crew out of their sacks.
Worst Memory
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 15
Special Comments

Link, Thomas A

Nickname **Rate** YN2 **Division** Office
Spouse **Hometown** Kenmore, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1966-09 **Years To** 1968-09
Civilian Occupation Food & Beverage Director, Country Club
Special Hobbies Boating, Pro Sports Events
Favorite Memory Met a great bunch of guys, unfortunately I have lost track of them. Hopefully, someone will see my name and address and contact me.
Worst Memory Going through the Bermuda Triangle
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Linscott, Donald A

Nickname Rate MM1 **Division**
Spouse Ruth **Hometown** Conway, NH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948-07 **Years To** 1954-07
Civilian Occupation Retired Maintenance. Machinist General Foreman
Special Hobbies Hunting
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Lizotte USN (Ret), MMCS Dennis R

Nickname Rate FN **Division** M
Spouse Debra Kay **Hometown** Warren, RI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1970 **Years To** 1971
Civilian Occupation Engineer
Special Hobbies Lincoln Continental Owners Club. Write poetry and short stories
Favorite Memory Burial at sea in January (17 degrees)
Worst Memory None
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Ludwig, Theo R

Nickname Ted **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Edith **Hometown** Shillington, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Hosiery Knitter, Restaurant Owner
Special Hobbies Golf, Swimming, Boating & Fishing
Favorite Memory San Diego - End of War
Worst Memory Okinawa - when we got hit
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Magee, Chuck A

Nickname Chuck **Rate** PO 3/c **Division** Deck
Spouse Cecilia **Hometown** Camden, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-04 **Years To** 1946-05
Civilian Occupation Meat Cutter
Special Hobbies Sports
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Hit by Jap Plane
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Maley, Fred J

Nickname **Rate** Em 2/C **Division**
Spouse **Hometown** Daytona Beach, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1945-11
Civilian Occupation U.S. Postal Service
Special Hobbies Fishing, golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory April 12, 1945
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Malott, Jean

Nickname Shorty **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Marian **Hometown** Marion, IN
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** Comm **Years To** 1945-06
Civilian Occupation Retired Watchmaker/Jeweler
Special Hobbies Fishing, Travel
Favorite Memory Going thru the Panama Canal
Worst Memory 4-12-45, When hit by a suicide plane
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Manni, Kenneth L

Nickname Lt **Division** OPS Offr
Spouse Susan **Hometown** Tallahassee, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1971-09 **Years To** 1973-05
Civilian Occupation Senior Analysis
Special Hobbies Tennis, golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Martin, James P

Nickname SOG2 **Division** Fox
Spouse Peggy **Hometown** Dansville, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1963
Civilian Occupation Engineering Tech Xerox
Special Hobbies Sports
Favorite Memory Beach time
Worst Memory None
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Martin, Willard G

Nickname Bill **Rate** BT3 **Division** Fire Room
Spouse June **Hometown** Hopewell Jct., NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1951
Civilian Occupation 16 years Brick Layer 20 years Truck Driver
Special Hobbies Stock car racing, Motor Homing
Favorite Memory Northern Europe
Worst Memory Coming from Europe in the storm
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments Hello to all the snipes from Fire Rooms #1 and 2 and Eng. Rooms #1 and 2.

Martz, Harry R

Nickname Rate FP1 **Division**
Spouse Alma **Hometown** Minersville
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Plumbing, Heating-Water Authority Manager
Special Hobbies Fishing and Hunting
Favorite Memory Going around the world (twice)
Worst Memory Korean experiences
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

McCalla, David R

Nickname Mac **Rate** SO3 **Division** O
Spouse **Hometown** Chillicothe, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1951
Civilian Occupation Retired Bell Telephone Systems
Special Hobbies Travel, woodworking
Favorite Memory What a good and happy crew we had!
Worst Memory The day it was rough off of Omaha Beach May 31, 1951
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments Damn good to see some old pals!

McCormack, Bob

Nickname **Rate** SFP2 **Division**
Spouse Patty A. **Hometown** Brooklyn, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1962
Civilian Occupation Design Engineer - Bell System
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory 1962 Med Cruise.
Worst Memory It was all good except Mid watches!
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments 1958-1962 was my service time and there are memories I'll always remember. The Navy was a great place then and it helped make many young boys into men.

McLain, William

Nickname Bill or Mac **Rate** SK3 **Division**
Spouse Alma **Hometown** So Hiran, ME
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1957 **Years To** 1961
Civilian Occupation Sales
Special Hobbies Reading
Favorite Memory Overseas
Worst Memory Newport, RI
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2 GG2
Special Comments

Mead, Michael A

Nickname **Rate** QM2 **Division** OPS
Spouse **Hometown** Stamford, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1964 **Years To** 1966
Civilian Occupation Real Estate, Oil, Investments
Special Hobbies Golf, Tennis, History
Favorite Memory There are many
Worst Memory Not enough bad ones
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Meechan, James T

Nickname Jim **Rate** SM3 **Division** OPS
Spouse Mary **Hometown** New Philadelphia, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Work for Abbott Laboratories, Ross Products Div. I am a production Supervisor over two assembly lines
Special Hobbies Boating, Golf, Sports, Theater, Going to Movies
Favorite Memory On a Mediterranean trip, going through the Suez Canal and cruising the Red Sea
Worst Memory Returning to the States from a Mediterranean trip and encountering three days of heavy storms and high seas. Once had a 59 degree roll
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Miles, Earl E

Nickname Smiley **Rate** SC 3/C **Division** Food Ser
Spouse **Hometown** Canastota, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1949
Civilian Occupation Homology
Special Hobbies Amateur Radio (WA5LVP) Travel
Favorite Memory The Narvic Norway Tour
Worst Memory Rounding the Horn (Carolina Coast) in January
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Miller, Eugene L

Nickname Gene **Rate** EM2 **Division** Repair
Spouse Lorraine **Hometown** Cambridge, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Project Manager
Special Hobbies Fishing, Travel
Favorite Memory The many ports of call
Worst Memory Riding out hurricanes
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Miller, Harvey L

Nickname **Rate** SO1 **Division**
Spouse Janice **Hometown** Chicago, IL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Business Executive
Special Hobbies Scuba Diving, Photography, Green House
Favorite Memory Traveling
Worst Memory 1952(?) Hurricane off of Cape Hatteras
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Miller, Jack B

Nickname FC 3/c **Division** DES Ron 12
Spouse Dorothy **Hometown** Brownstown, WI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946-07 **Years To** 1947-11
Civilian Occupation Eng Mgt Industry (22 Yrs) Pvt Business (31 Yrs)
Special Hobbies Flying, Golf
Favorite Memory Phosphorescent waters around Cuba, Eruption of Mt Etna at night, walled city at Rhodes, Greece and numerous ports and historic sights.
Worst Memory Failing to get off train from Boston to Newport, RI, waking up in NYC, Grand Central Station. Used last \$.75 to wire ship. Hitchhiked to Newport from Grand Central Station. Arriving in Newport found ship had gone out to ride out a hurricane.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5 GG1
Special Comments The Navy, (GI Bill) enabled me to attend the University of Wisconsin and obtain an Engineering degree (BS Metallurgical Engineering). In those days, could never have been able to come up with the money for an education like that. Will try to make this reunion, but not sure yet. At any rate, want to keep informed. Will attempt to e-mail recent photo to this address under separate cover. Will mail old ones. I think.

Miller, Lavern E

Nickname Clem **Rate** SN **Division** 1st
Spouse **Hometown** Jackson, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950-10 **Years To** 1954-06
Civilian Occupation Truck Driver
Special Hobbies Walking, Fishing
Favorite Memory When we were told to go home from Korea
Worst Memory When they told us that we were going to Korea again
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Molinelli, Sr, Robert J

Nickname Moe **Rate** EMFN **Division** Engineering
Spouse Joan **Hometown** Babylon, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Forman with Power Company (Long Island Co, NY-FL Power & Light) (Retired)
Special Hobbies Playing softball & building model ships & planes
Favorite Memory Going around world two times
Worst Memory None
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 12 GG2
Special Comments

Murphy, Bob M

Nickname Bob Murp **Rate** MM 2/C **Division** Eng
Spouse Joan **Hometown** Newark, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1946-05
Civilian Occupation Retired from IRS
Special Hobbies Grandchildren, Gardening, Reading, Traveling, Wood Working, Bike Riding, Volunteer Work
Favorite Memory 2 Months in San Francisco Summer of 1945 "Good Liberty, Great City"
Worst Memory Kamikaze Attack on 4/12/45
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Mustakos, John A

Nickname Moose **Rate** FTG3 **Division** 2nd
Spouse Rita **Hometown** West Haven, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1963
Civilian Occupation Retired Correctional Lieutenant with Conn. Prison System
Special Hobbies Traveling and Camping
Favorite Memory Each and every day aboard her is a good , memory. Today, I think back to some rough times then, but time has turned them Gold to me.
Worst Memory No bad memories now.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments I would like to thank my ex-shipmates for all the fond memories of our years together through bad and good times, only good times still shine through.

Myers, Arthur L

Nickname Art **Rate** S 1/C **Division** Fire Ctrl
Spouse Kitty **Hometown** Oberlin, Pa
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-08 **Years To** 1946-01
Civilian Occupation US Postal Service (Retired)
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Hit by suicide Plane 4/14/45
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Nash, Donald H

Nickname Don **Rate** ICFN, IC2 **Division** Rep/Div
Spouse Dorothy Jean **Hometown** Newton, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Electronics Technician
Special Hobbies Ham Radio, Antique Cars, Computers
Favorite Memory 2nd Crossing of Equator and returning to home port (Newport, RI) after a cruise.
Worst Memory Nearly capsizing in storm-4 degree past design max. Losing men to the sea that were lost overboard from accompanying ships (None from Purdy)
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Nelis, Patrick J

Nickname **Rate** LT (jg) **Division**
Spouse Sidney **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959 **Years To** 1961
Civilian Occupation Information Technology Manager
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments Between Horace Clinton Holly and Lincoln Judson Speed, I learned a lot about seamanship and the way to make things work well. No young man could have had two better mentors than those fine gents. Lee passed away in the 1960's, a few years after he retired. I understand the Capt. Holly still attends the reunions. Please pass my regards to him.

Nelson, Meryl

Nickname Nellie **Rate** EN3 **Division** A
Spouse Laura **Hometown** Sturgis, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1953-02 **Years To** 1955-06
Civilian Occupation Printer, General Motors Worker
Special Hobbies Wood working, Fishing Traveling, Hunting, Handy Man for Seniors and being a good Father to my family.
Favorite Memory Going under the Golden Gate Bridge coming home from Korea in 1953
Worst Memory Crossing the Equator being a pollywog
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Noll, Bruce S

Nickname Spike **Rate** 3rd CC **Division** Sonar
Spouse Edith **Hometown** Bridgeton, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Auto Sales
Special Hobbies Biking, Fishing
Favorite Memory Liberty No Matter Where, Sunsets on the Pacific, Raiding the Ice Cream Freezer on the midnight watch, Extra food on a rough day when half the crew was sick
Worst Memory April 12, 1945
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Nordquist, John M

Nickname Jack **Rate** MM 1/c **Division** M
Spouse Leona **Hometown** Cedarville, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945
Civilian Occupation Barber
Special Hobbies Bowling
Favorite Memory Going through Panama Canal
Worst Memory Suicide attack April 12, 1945
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Nunamacher, Harold E

Nickname Harry **Rate** BM3 **Division** 2nd
Spouse Jean **Hometown** Jersey City, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation NJ Bell Telephone Co. Repair Service- Retired
Special Hobbies Travel, Flying, Boating and puttering
Favorite Memory Liberty in foreign ports
Worst Memory Accidentally dropped me in cold winter waters of Newport Harbor off the boat davits.
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

O'Brien, John J.

Nickname
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Stationary Engineer
Special Hobbies Fishing
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

O'Hara, Joseph M

Nickname
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Facilities Manager
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Liberty at Port Arthur, TX
Worst Memory Condition 3 watches in Gitmo
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Olcovich, Ted P

Nickname Ted
Spouse Mary
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Retired Elect Eng, was GSIS in charge Tartar Missile Dept at NSWSES
Special Hobbies Past Int Director Toastmasters, Public speaking
Favorite Memory I was CPO in charge Fwd Eng room. I met my wife of 50 yrs in Bath while outfitting Purdy.
Worst Memory I removed all of the bodies for Fwd Fire room after kamikaze attack, April 12, 1945.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

O'Neill, Robert J

Nickname Bob **Rate** SFP3 **Division** M/R
Spouse Pauline **Hometown** Somerset, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1966 **Years To** 1967
Civilian Occupation Instrument/Control Technician
Special Hobbies Gardening, Wood working, Private Pilot
Favorite Memory Too many to list
Worst Memory Too many to list (Hah Hah, Hah)! None Really
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Osborn, Dick G

Nickname **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Lee Ora **Hometown** Bloomington, IL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Stationary Engineer
Special Hobbies Collecting Belt Buckles and playing Golf.
Favorite Memory When Capt. Phalen went fishing in Panama and the tide went out and the Captain's Gig went aground. He cleaned the mud off of himself.
Worst Memory None
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

O'Shea, Edmund J

Nickname Ed **Rate** SN **Division**
Spouse Spouse Deceased **Hometown** Bronx, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation Own a work boat
Special Hobbies Deep sea fishing
Favorite Memory Liberty
Worst Memory Crossing the Equator
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Pagenkopf, Paul J

Nickname Lt **Division**
Spouse Marion **Hometown** Madison, WI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1966
Civilian Occupation Vice President/General Manager Consulting Firm
Special Hobbies Sailing
Favorite Memory 1964 Red Sea Cruise
Worst Memory 1964 return from Red Sea Cruise (6 days of gale storm)
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments My favorite memories are of Newport and my 3 years on the Purdy. It was a unique ship, great officers and crew. When the Purdy was made a Reserve Training Ship in 1965, we also inherited an outstanding Ready Reserve Group from Providence, RI.

Palleschi, Richard A

Nickname Dick **Rate** BT1 **Division** Eng
Spouse Widower **Hometown** Bridgewater, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1959
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Motorcycle
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Parmiter USN (Ret), CDR James D

Nickname Jim **Rate** Lt (jg) **Division** E
Spouse Nancy **Hometown** McKeesport, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1959
Civilian Occupation Occupational Safety, Health & Environment Director
Special Hobbies Stamp Collecting, Freemasonry
Favorite Memory Persian Gulf tour; visiting Basra, Iraq, chasing Russian ships. Bahrein and the Limeys. I won a Brit's combat cap shooting darts. Christmas in Yemen. Hitting the beach with Hank Belber, Jim Doyle and Vinny "Cadaver", the Division Doctor. I never did know his real name.
Worst Memory The day we lost steering control while refueling and wrapped the fueling cable around the port screw. I had to Summary Court the poor Gunner's Mate who had the After Steering Watch for dereliction of duty. There was no way he could have prevented what happened, but the XO told me it was me or somebody under me. I have felt guilty for doing that to him for almost fifty years.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Parsitsky, Louis

Nickname **Rate** EM3/c **Division** Elec.
Spouse Rachel **Hometown** New Haven, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1943 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Restaurant Supply-Salesman
Special Hobbies Gardening, Swimming
Favorite Memory Showing movies
Worst Memory Being attacked by Japanese planes and having fellow crewman killed.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Pattenaude, Harold E

Nickname Hal **Rate** RD2 **Division** Operations
Spouse Ruth Ellen **Hometown** Romulus, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Electrical engineer
Special Hobbies Ham Radio & Aviation
Favorite Memory Shore leave in Naples & Rome in 1951
Worst Memory Trying to drink all the beer on Midway Island
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments This is a great Idea. I plan to attend next year. Hope the Reunion is in Texas next year, but where ever I plan to be there.

Patterson, Richard W

Nickname **Rate** QM1 **Division**
Spouse Mary **Hometown** Patterson, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946-06 **Years To** 1948-09
Civilian Occupation Ins Claims Manager
Special Hobbies Reading & Swimming
Favorite Memory Being assigned to the Purdy (DD734)
Worst Memory Being transferred to shore duty predatory to being discharged at the end of my 6 year hitch
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments God Bless all the various crews (officers & men) that sailed aboard the gallant USS Purdy DD-734

Paul, Elmer

Nickname Rate BM1 Division

Spouse Betty **Hometown** Potosi, MO

Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** **Years To**

Civilian Occupation VP Mfg., Built Bus.

Special Hobbies Fishing, Flying

Favorite Memory

Worst Memory

Children 9 **Grandchildren** 28

Special Comments I would like just to see and talk with them.

Payer, Philip M

Nickname Phil Rate MR3 Division R

Spouse **Hometown** West Springfield, MA

Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1963 **Years To** 1965

Civilian Occupation Tool, Die and Gage Maker

Special Hobbies Fixing stuff

Favorite Memory Hanging out in the machine shop listening to country western music

Worst Memory Almost missing movement and then getting sea sick because of too much pizza and beer

Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3

Special Comments After boot camp at the Great Lakes, I was given a choice of striking for MM or MR. MR school was in San Diego, that was a no brainer. Learned a trade that turned out to be a career, thanks to the Navy.

Perrell, Adolph LeRoy

Nickname Moose Rate MM1 Division E

Spouse Phyllis Jean **Hometown** Martinsburg, WV

Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1954

Civilian Occupation Auto & Truck Wheel Alignment Specialist

Special Hobbies Old Automobiles & Stamps

Favorite Memory Two cruises around world both ways

Worst Memory Sideswiping USS ST. PAUL off Korea

Children 3 **Grandchildren** 2

Special Comments I'm sorry I won't be able to attend this Reunion. I have always wanted to take my wife to Newport. I have another place to go that weekend. I sure hope I can make next year's reunion.

Perrino, Michael

Nickname Ed **Rate** BT1 **Division** Eng 1st
Spouse Michelina **Hometown** New York, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950-06 **Years To** 1954-08
Civilian Occupation HV/AC Repairman
Special Hobbies Golf, Building model ships
Favorite Memory The ports we traveled to. Our constant traveling.
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Pesavento, John R

Nickname **Rate** F **Division**
Spouse Maureen **Hometown** Scranton, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1954
Civilian Occupation Retail Monument Dealer
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Petit, Kenneth R

Nickname **Rate** TM2 **Division** Fox
Spouse Eileen **Hometown** Sioux City, IA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959 **Years To** 1961
Civilian Occupation (Retired) Truck Driver
Special Hobbies Fishing
Favorite Memory Fox Division '59-60 Med Cruise
Worst Memory None
Children 9 **Grandchildren** 20+ GG4
Special Comments It was a very memorable experience. A lot of ups and downs.

Petruzzello, Salvatore

Nickname Petru **Rate** TM 3/C **Division**
Spouse Edna **Hometown** Middletown, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1946-02
Civilian Occupation Construction
Special Hobbies F.O.E. #681; Officer Outdoor Sports (Spectator)
Favorite Memory Liberties!!!
Worst Memory No Liberty!
Children 4 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Phelan, James F

Nickname **Rate** CO **Division**
Spouse **Hometown** Aberdeen, SD
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1953 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Coming back to Newport after Korean War
Worst Memory Leaving it
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Plante, David E

Nickname Dave **Rate** ETC **Division** OI
Spouse Caroline **Hometown** Providence, RI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1965-04 **Years To** 1973-06
Civilian Occupation Electronic Tech
Special Hobbies Pistol Shooting
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Platt, Howard

Nickname
Spouse Sue
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation President USS Shoe Corp.
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Sailing thru a hurricane. All Sunday dinners chucked overboard.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 8+
Special Comments Like to see Robert Fuller

Plummer, Morris A

Nickname
Spouse Joyce
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Indiana Bell Telephone & AT & T
Special Hobbies Computers, Fishing
Favorite Memory My time on the PURDY
Worst Memory Winter in Korea
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Popp, Michael E

Nickname Pop
Spouse Julia
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Teacher at a Private School
Special Hobbies Woodturning, Civil War
Favorite Memory Crossing the Equator
Worst Memory 2 days out of Newport, I was assigned to the scullery and we ran into a hurricane
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Porcelli, Joseph A

Nickname Rate BTFN & SH3 **Division** Sup (Ship's Barber)
Spouse Jomarie **Hometown** Lake Carmel, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1967 **Years To** 1968
Civilian Occupation Barber
Special Hobbies Boxing, Basketball, Water Skiing
Favorite Memory Leaving!
Worst Memory Coming aboard! Actually orders came in for me to go to Saudi Arabia, and I had them switched to Edward Scarfaro, same Rate as me, but he was not married and I was, so they sent Edward!
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Poston, Holmes Nathan

Nickname Rate Ship Ser Laundrym **Division**
Spouse Clara **Hometown** Mooresville, NC
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1945
Civilian Occupation Police Officer
Special Hobbies VFW-Held State Offices, American Legion Baseball
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Attack at Okinawa
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Poucher, Lare L

Nickname Rate QM2 **Division**
Spouse Janet **Hometown** East Detroit, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1966
Civilian Occupation Sales Rep
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory Med Cruise, 11/64 to 3/65
Worst Memory Highlined from USS DAVIS to USS PURDY
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments Some people say they hate the service, but I enjoyed my four years. And, like I heard so many times while I was in, "Stay in, you'll be out in twenty years". I would have retired in 1981!

Price, Frank L.

Nickname Rate Lt Division
Spouse Arlene **Hometown** Duncan, OK
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1945-12
Civilian Occupation Lawyer and Superior Court Judge
Special Hobbies Tree Farming, Walking, and Traveling
Favorite Memory Enjoyed the associations with the members of the crew
Worst Memory The Japanese kamikaze experience (April 12, 1945 off Okinawa)
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Pridemore, Robert J

Nickname Rate SM3 Division OC
Spouse Karen **Hometown** Chapmanville, WV
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1964
Civilian Occupation Firefighter
Special Hobbies Golf, Reading, Boating
Favorite Memory Being restricted
Worst Memory Get off restriction
Children 1 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Puckett, Gale R

Nickname Rate MM 3/c Division F Eng Rm
Spouse Juanita **Hometown** Battle Creek, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-11 **Years To** 1946-06
Civilian Occupation Owner Operator of a Donut Shop
Special Hobbies Building Repairs (Elect, Plumbing, Heating, A/C etc)
Favorite Memory Going thru the Panama Canal 2 times
Worst Memory April 12, 1945 hit by Suicide Plane
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Putch, Joseph J

Nickname Joe **Rate** RM3 **Division** C
Spouse Rose **Hometown** Frankford, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952-05 **Years To** 1955-12
Civilian Occupation Telephone Mechanic, General Foreman
Special Hobbies Fishing, Boating, Relaxing
Favorite Memory Bow Hook on the Captain's gig. After working the Liberty Launch, I graduated to the captaining gig. The first time we docked, I cinched her tight and tumbled the Captain. He got up and said, "You can hold her, you don't need to take a turn."
Worst Memory Saturday morning inspections that made short weekends.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 9
Special Comments

Rabideau, Donald F

Nickname Don **Rate** SN **Division** Ship's Office
Spouse Norma **Hometown** Plattsburgh, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1956-05 **Years To** 1957-11
Civilian Occupation Sales
Special Hobbies Fishing, Traveling, Watching sports events
Favorite Memory 1956 and 1957 Midshipmen Cruises
Worst Memory Storms during the 1957 NATO exercises in North Atlantic and collision with English fishing trawler off the coast of Scotland
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Raftery, William J

Nickname **Rate** QM2 **Division**
Spouse Janet **Hometown** New Rochelle, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1966 **Years To** 1968
Civilian Occupation Deputy Fire Chief
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Dan Aguilaar's Mom sent us Jalapeno Peppers (HOT)
Worst Memory Hurricane in 30 foot seas
Children 0 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Raugust, Rollin A

Nickname MS3 **Division** S2
Spouse Teresa **Hometown** Marion, IL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1987 **Years To** 1990
Civilian Occupation Shipping Supervisor for Or-Pack Stone, Herrin, IL
Special Hobbies Boating, motorcycling, shotguns
Favorite Memory The day I got off! But, all the memories are a highlight
Worst Memory All the cleaning for NEY Inspection for Master Chief Buraga
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments I would really love to be there for it all, but just can't afford it at this time. Will be willing to pay for any photo books or other stuff. I would really love a "Med Cruise 1989" book.

Reed, Ernest L

Nickname Ernie **Rate** BT2 **Division** M
Spouse Janet **Hometown** Tiffin, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1960 **Years To** 1964
Civilian Occupation Assembler of Cold Heading and Cold Former Machines at National Machinery, Also Remanufacturing at Tiffin, OH
Special Hobbies Classic & Custom Cars, Wood Working
Favorite Memory Going to the Med
Worst Memory I was burned when we were in the Caribbean during the Cuban Crisis
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Reed, James W

Nickname Jim **Rate** MM 3/C **Division**
Spouse Lena **Hometown** Sturgis, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-11 **Years To** 1946-06
Civilian Occupation Farmer
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing, Golf
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory 04-12-45
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 19
Special Comments

Rehse, Robert B

Nickname Bob **Rate** S 1/C **Division**
Spouse Elizabeth **Hometown** Winterhaven, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944 **Years To** 1946
Civilian Occupation Retired from Colonial Bakery . Now managing a mobile home park.
Special Hobbies Traveling, camping, & flea marketing
Favorite Memory After being hit, was able to come home to the states. Didn't know that I would be able to!
Worst Memory Being hit by a suicide plane
Children 4 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments Sorry we couldn't attend this year on such a short notice, but we will definitely try to attend next year - please keep us informed. - Bob & Libby Rehse

Rice, John M

Nickname **Rate** E4 **Division** Support
Spouse Dorothy **Hometown** North Attleboro, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959-03 **Years To** 1966-02
Civilian Occupation
Special Hobbies NASCAR
Favorite Memory Weekend cruises
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Richards, Ronald

Nickname Ron **Rate** FT3 **Division** Gunnery
Spouse Claire **Hometown** Philadelphia, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1954-06 **Years To** 1956-11
Civilian Occupation Instrument Tech
Special Hobbies Biking
Favorite Memory Liberty on French Riviera
Worst Memory Day Ski blew the generator thru side of ship
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Riddle, Harold

Nickname Harry
Spouse Angela
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation None
Special Hobbies Working on Active duty with the Navy as an instructor and visiting veterans at VA Hosp.
Favorite Memory Our trip to Oslo and Narvik
Worst Memory Plane Guard Duty (rough)
Children 2 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments Like the cigarette ad says: I've come a long way baby 41 yrs service with the Navy

Ridge, William A

Nickname Bill
Spouse Imogene
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Retired Div Supt UPRR Co
Special Hobbies Golf
Favorite Memory The trip to Turkey and back to Genoa.
Worst Memory The fog in Newport, RI and Davisville, RI when we de-activated.
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Roach, LeRoy B

Nickname
Spouse Beverly
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Customer Engineer at IBM
Special Hobbies Traveling and Photography
Favorite Memory Trips to the Islands and Med Cruises
Worst Memory We lost the gyroscope entering Naples, during Med Cruise
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 2
Special Comments

Robinson, Dennis (Robbie) L

Nickname Robbie **Rate** FN **Division**
Spouse Sandi **Hometown** Lima, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1971 **Years To** 1973
Civilian Occupation Law enforcement
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Ship's softball team
Worst Memory
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Robinson, Ernest G

Nickname **Rate** QM 3/C **Division** Bridge
Spouse Doris **Hometown** Washington, DC
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1946-06
Civilian Occupation Automobile Ser Mgr for New Car Dealers
Special Hobbies Carpentry & Home Remodeling
Favorite Memory Passing thru the Panama Canal
Worst Memory None
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments

Rogers, Jr, Edmund D

Nickname Ed **Rate** CDR **Division** CO
Spouse Ruth **Hometown** Westford, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1966 **Years To** 1968
Civilian Occupation US Navy 1941-1971; Insulation Contractor 1971-1191, now retired
Special Hobbies Fishing, building models, woodcraft
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Ruprecht, Fred H

Nickname EN2 **Division**
Spouse Dotty **Hometown** Ridgewood, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1951 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation NYC Fireman

Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory

Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 5

Special Comments My beloved Father Fred passed away in Nov 2007. I am his daughter Christine, trying to locate any stories and photos (I have none from his time served aboard this ship.. If anyone knew my Dad and could help me, please email me. With sincere Thanks & Happy Holidays to you all!

Russell, Ralph R

Nickname Russ **Rate** STG3 **Division**
Spouse Lark **Hometown** Valdosta, GA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1969-05 **Years To** 1971-01
Civilian Occupation Bell South Facility Tech

Special Hobbies Restoring old Radios, Juke Boxes, Victrolas, Pin Ball Machines
Favorite Memory Having STC Amos Hart explain to me that sometimes you have to "rock the boat"..
Worst Memory I rocked the boat, resulting in a speed letter being sent to the Purdy from the Chief of Naval Operations, and the discussion that followed with the Captain and XO
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3

Special Comments I truly enjoyed the time in the Navy, especially (being from the South) the snowball fights on the Purdy.

Russell, Ronald W

Nickname **Rate** RM3 **Division** O
Spouse **Hometown** New York, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1950 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation NY State Corrections

Special Hobbies Golf, Bowling
Favorite Memory World Cruise
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 3

Special Comments

Russo, Anthony J

Nickname Rate EM3 Division R
Spouse Hometown W Hempstead, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) Years From 1956-01 Years To 1958-12
Civilian Occupation Student & Landscaper, Electrician Helper
Special Hobbies Fishing, Golfing, Bowling, Golf Club Making, Dancing
Favorite Memory Ships party in Italy
Worst Memory Mess Cooking
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Ryan, Thomas J

Nickname Rate STG3 Division Fox
Spouse Ruth Hometown Kenmore, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) Years From 1963 Years To 1965
Civilian Occupation Retired Insurance Executive
Special Hobbies Golf, Cooking
Favorite Memory Med Cruise
Worst Memory Food
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Salkin, Sam

Nickname Rate S Division
Spouse Sandy Hometown Bronx, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) Years From 1963 Years To 1965
Civilian Occupation Correction Officer
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 4
Special Comments

Salvo, Sebastian L

Nickname Ben **Rate** EM2 **Division** R
Spouse **Hometown** Albany, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1961
Civilian Occupation Electrical Contractor (Retired)
Special Hobbies Listening to music, hiking, trying to play my guitar
Favorite Memory A party we had on our ship for some orphanage kids while we were in Rom, Italy
Worst Memory Those stinking Messenger watches I had to stand in the engine and boiler rooms. Thank God when I got My rate!
Children 0 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments My best to all my shipmates. Sorry I don't make any of the reunions.

Sanders, John C

Nickname JC Bulbs **Rate** SM3 **Division**
Spouse Janet **Hometown** Bronx, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959-04 **Years To** 1961-03
Civilian Occupation Police Lt
Special Hobbies Computers, Internet
Favorite Memory Drinking beer and eating tomatoes and cheese at a beachside café in Greece one summer evening as the sun set with Smiley O'Neill and a couple of other guys. Working with Smiley and SM1 Billy Cowan (Texas) and SM2 Jim Peck (Ohio) on the signal bridge
Worst Memory None
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Sansone, Carl A

Nickname Brooklyn **Rate** E3-Electrician **Division** E
Spouse Mary (Toni) **Hometown** Brooklyn, NY
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959 **Years To** 1962
Civilian Occupation Entertainer
Special Hobbies Music, Cooking, Photography, Travel
Favorite Memory Pat Fonzo and I going to Niece, France for a weekend pass and hitting the ski slopes. It was a great memory. We met lots of people from various parts of the world and had a great time the whole weekend.
Worst Memory On a Med Cruise, we had to give support to the town of Gythion, in Greece during a very bad fire that had erupted. Most of the residents lost their homes and lively-hood. Some of our crew were hurt, but we did help put out the fire and the residents were very thankful.
Children 6 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Sather, Elwyn L

Nickname Pete **Rate** STG3 **Division** Fox
Spouse Sharon **Hometown** Elmwood, WI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1964
Civilian Occupation Sales and Service of Hotsy Pressure Washers & Detergents
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Puerto Rico
Worst Memory Gitmo, Cuba
Children 3 **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Sauvageau, David L

Nickname Sauy **Rate** RD1 **Division** Oper
Spouse Evelyn **Hometown** Belfield, ND
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952-03 **Years To** 1955-12
Civilian Occupation Coach/Teacher
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing, Golf
Favorite Memory "Round the World" Cruise in 1953
Worst Memory Typhoon in Manila Bay 1953
Children 8 **Grandchildren** 12
Special Comments

Savage, Lester E

Nickname Les **Rate** ENS/JG **Division** Decks
Spouse Nancy **Hometown** Brentwood, NH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946 **Years To** 1947
Civilian Occupation Real Estate Sales
Special Hobbies Golf, Travel
Favorite Memory Stay in Naples
Worst Memory Leaving Naples
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Sawyer, Robert L

Nickname Buzz **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Dorothea **Hometown** Snellville, GA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1949-07 **Years To** 1949-12
Civilian Occupation Boiler Inspector
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Good times had be all.
Worst Memory Getting transferred to the USS Hyman
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments I enjoyed my tour on the USS Purdy.

Schmer, Ivan W

Nickname **Rate** PNC **Division** Admin
Spouse Barbara **Hometown** Sutton, NE
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946-09 **Years To** 1949-04
Civilian Occupation Administration
Special Hobbies Wood Working
Favorite Memory The Med & No European Cruise
Worst Memory Temp. additional duty with Commodore William R. Hedden
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments I really enjoyed my 2.5 years serving on the USS Purdy DD734. We had a fine group of Chiefs. Good Luck to one and all.

Schulrud, Roger C

Nickname **Rate** MMCS **Division** ENG
Spouse Sandra **Hometown** Wausau, WI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1964-04 **Years To** 1965-03
Civilian Occupation Chief Engineer at Martin Luther Prep School, Prairie du Chien, WI
Special Hobbies Trying to locate former crew members
Favorite Memory Taking on water in Gitmo when we could not get it. Also putting paper in the Chief Engineers hat liner. He thought it shrunk. G T Walters MM3 was blamed for it.
Worst Memory
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Scott, Kenneth R

Nickname Ken **Rate** S 1/C **Division** 1st
Spouse Marine **Hometown** Jacksonville, AR
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1953
Civilian Occupation Retired Ornamental Horticulturist (Cooperative Extension Service, Univ of AR)
Special Hobbies Woodcarving, Gardening, and I like to Hunt & Fish when time allows
Favorite Memory 5 Minutes after the initiation on crossing the Equator
Worst Memory Initiation on Crossing Equator
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Selby, Gerald L

Nickname Jerry **Rate** GMG3 **Division**
Spouse Susan **Hometown** Tampa, Fl
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1965-11 **Years To** 1966-10
Civilian Occupation Builder/Developer
Special Hobbies Flying, Fishing, Rafting
Favorite Memory Making 3rd Class 4/10/66. The Great Gun's Gang-Mount 51 Revival
Worst Memory Falling overboard-my first "man overboard" experience---For Real
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments Remember the "Seasoned" reservists that came on board every month to train? My tour was the last one on active duty. We moved the ship up to Fall River and turned her over to the Reserve Fleet 8/66

Senical, Joseph C

Nickname Joe **Rate** MOMM 3/C **Division**
Spouse Lois **Hometown** White River JCT,VT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946 **Years To** 1948
Civilian Occupation Heavy Equipment Mechanic, Own a lawn mower shop.
Special Hobbies Camping, some Travel, fishing and just plain relaxing.
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Shannon, Raymond E

Nickname
Spouse Kathryn
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Railroad
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory Korea
Worst Memory Korea
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Sheehan, John P

Nickname
Spouse
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Information Technology
Special Hobbies Biking, Hiking, Traveling
Favorite Memory Med/Mid East cruise
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments

Simmons, William E

Nickname
Spouse Joyce
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734)
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Safety - especially Traffic Safety, Hunting, Growing & selling Christmas Trees
Favorite Memory Gitmo & Med Trip
Worst Memory Water troubles
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments Purdy was my 3rd DD and a very special crew and ship

Simonson, Frank J

Nickname Seaman 1/c **Division** Deck
Spouse Betty **Hometown** Cape May, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1956
Civilian Occupation After my discharge in 1958, I continued my career at sea and obtained my Merchant Marine Masters license in 1965. I retired from Texaco Oil's Marine Fleet in 1993 after sailing as a Captain/Manager and Coast Pilot for 20 years. I enjoy my work and still sail in the same capacity for a company called, NRC. (National Response Corp). We are the largest oil spill removal organization in the world and keep the M/V Lynne Frink on standby 24/7 at the Cape May, NJ Ferry Terminal.
Special Hobbies Volunteer Football Coach, Sailing and Fishing
Favorite Memory 1955 Med Cruise and the beautiful women of France, Greece, Italy and Turkey
Worst Memory The oil spill while refueling on Thanksgiving day 1955. Then the voyage home with a crew of sea sick Feather Merchants from the Cruiser, USS Des Moines
Children **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments If any of our shipmates are in the Cape May area and want a tour or just exchange sea stories and tour a few of our local watering holes, please get in touch.

Sinclair, Frank A

Nickname Sandy **Rate** QM 3/C **Division**
Spouse Marie **Hometown** Spokane, WA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946-08 **Years To** 1948-03
Civilian Occupation Alaskan Commercial fisherman
Special Hobbies Archaeology, Flying, Sailing
Favorite Memory Shore liberty at Nice, France
Worst Memory Sea Sick off Cape Hatteras, NC
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 1
Special Comments Lets have the USS Purdy reunion on the west coast. I am in contact with many of our shipmates on this side of the US

Skidmore, Robert

Nickname Skid **Rate** S 1/c **Division** 2nd
Spouse Garnet **Hometown** Junior, WV
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1946 **Years To** 1947
Civilian Occupation Railroad Welder
Special Hobbies Hunting, Fishing
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Smith, Clayton W

Nickname Clay **Rate** RM3 **Division** O
Spouse Jean **Hometown** Lynn, MA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1947-01 **Years To** 1948-08
Civilian Occupation Vice President, Savings Bank (Construction and Land Loans)
Special Hobbies Golf, History
Favorite Memory Liberty in Istanbul, Turkey in the spring of 1947 at about the same time the U.S. was about to grant them (Turkey) a sizable loan/gift. The word must have been passed to all countrymen of both sexes to be very receptive and kind to all American visitors.
Worst Memory During the year and a half we were aboard, we must have passed Cape Hatteras six to eight times. It was always sea sick time for most all officers and crew.
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Smith, Howard S

Nickname Bud **Rate** QM 3/c **Division**
Spouse Leona **Hometown** Worthington, IA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1945-01 **Years To** 1946-08
Civilian Occupation Communications (Public Relations, Textbook Editor, Author) and Magazine Editor
Special Hobbies Photography, Fishing, Wood Crafts
Favorite Memory Mostly the camaraderie among the sailors, but especially bridge gang getting drunk on "raisin jack" that they concocted.
Worst Memory Nearly being thrown overboard in rough weather (while climbing a ladder to the bridge)
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Soporowski, Leo J

Nickname Ski **Rate** EM1 **Division** E
Spouse Spouse Deceased **Hometown** Mansfield, PA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1959 **Years To** 1962
Civilian Occupation Maintenance Electrician
Special Hobbies
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Sparks, Herbert Archie

Nickname Sparky **Rate** MM1 **Division** M
Spouse Libby **Hometown** Jacksonville, FL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1966 **Years To** 1969
Civilian Occupation Retired Navy
Special Hobbies Going to flea markets
Favorite Memory It was all good
Worst Memory Didn't have one
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Starwalt, Howard

Nickname Rex **Rate** RD2 **Division** C
Spouse Shirley **Hometown** Poplar Buff, MO
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1954 **Years To** 1958
Civilian Occupation Engineering Manager
Special Hobbies Wood Working
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory Getting knocked over the forward 01 Deck while at sea. Catching arm in main deck life lines, stopping my decent to the sea
Children 5 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Sterling, Charles E

Nickname Chuck **Rate** SN **Division**
Spouse Jean **Hometown** Mohawk, NJ
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1952 **Years To** 1955
Civilian Occupation Machine Operator
Special Hobbies Camping, Grandchildren
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 6
Special Comments

Stuart, William P

Nickname Bill **Rate** SN **Division** O
Spouse Marion **Hometown** Plainfield, NH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1948-02 **Years To** 1949-12
Civilian Occupation Printer
Special Hobbies Antiques
Favorite Memory Northern European Cruise
Worst Memory None
Children **Grandchildren**
Special Comments

Swarengin, James

Nickname Jim **Rate** F 1/C **Division** B
Spouse Patsy **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1945-09 **Years To** 1946-07
Civilian Occupation Sales Mgr
Special Hobbies Golf and Bowling
Favorite Memory Baker would send pizza pie down to Fire Room
Worst Memory Typhoon when we lost our life rafts and motor wale boat
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 0
Special Comments

Tabor, Willard Lee

Nickname **Rate** BT3 **Division** B
Spouse **Hometown** Columbus, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1962 **Years To** 1965
Civilian Occupation Transmission Mechanic
Special Hobbies Cars, Wood working, Pool, Racing
Favorite Memory Lots of good memories, new friends and new experiences
Worst Memory
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Van Grevenhof, Vernon (Van) M

Nickname Van **Rate** FT3 **Division** Fox
Spouse Gerry **Hometown** Sargeant, MN
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1956 **Years To** 1959
Civilian Occupation General Manager, Printing
Special Hobbies Wood working, Building stone walls and traveling
Favorite Memory Dunking the commodore during highline transfer to the USS Hyman
Worst Memory Tend to forget the bad memories and remember the good.
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 3
Special Comments

Vella, Dominic A

Nickname **Rate** SN **Division** 2nd
Spouse June **Hometown**
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1958 **Years To** 1960
Civilian Occupation Ironworker-Welder, 37 Yrs
Special Hobbies Short trips as often as we can
Favorite Memory Meeting many good friends, and seeing other countries
Worst Memory Being sea sick often along side Fred H. We spent a lot of time at the rail.
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 4 GG2
Special Comments To all my Navy friends. Thanks for being my friend. God Bless, Dominic

Vernier, James R

Nickname **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Rose **Hometown** Dayton, OH
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1945-12
Civilian Occupation Carpenter, Retired
Special Hobbies Golf, Running
Favorite Memory Boston Area
Worst Memory April 12, 1945 ship was hit by suicide plane.
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments Thank you for the invite. Sorry we can't make it this time, maybe next one. I was very close to two of my ex-shipmates and their families until they died. Would love to hear from any ex-shipmate. I visited Bob Walsh and Bill Freet a few years ago. HAVE A GOOD

Vogel, Kenneth E

Nickname Kenny **Rate** **Division**
Spouse Betty **Hometown** Clinton, IA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1946-03
Civilian Occupation Retired Teamster
Special Hobbies Camping, Fishing
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory April 12, 1945
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 8
Special Comments

Vogel, Walter P

Nickname **Rate** CQM **Division** C
Spouse Susanna **Hometown** Keota, IA
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1949 **Years To** 1952
Civilian Occupation Retired
Special Hobbies Ship Reunion
Favorite Memory 1945 in DesRon 63. I was Flag Chief Signalman
Worst Memory Purdy was hit at Okinawa
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Walker, Ray S

Nickname **Rate** S1 **Division**
Spouse Deyonne **Hometown** Hartford, CT
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1945-07
Civilian Occupation Long Haul Trucker
Special Hobbies Raising calves and woodwork
Favorite Memory Going aboard
Worst Memory Leaving the ship
Children 3 **Grandchildren** 10
Special Comments I have wondered what happened to the Purdy as I have never heard a word about it. I found out about it through the Tin Can Sailors Assn Newsletter. I have wondered if there had ever been a reunion.

Works, Wilton W

Nickname Rate RM 3/C **Division**
Spouse **Hometown** Grove, OK
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-05 **Years To** 1946-02
Civilian Occupation Lawyer
Special Hobbies Sports, fishing, travel
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 2 **Grandchildren** 5
Special Comments

Wright, Terry J

Nickname Terry **Rate** SHB3 **Division** Supply
Spouse Debbie **Hometown** Ogden, IL
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1971 **Years To** 1973
Civilian Occupation Barber
Special Hobbies Cutting hair
Favorite Memory
Worst Memory
Children 7 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

Wygant, Robert L.

Nickname Bob **Rate** SO 3/C **Division**
Spouse Marilynne **Hometown** Battle Creek, MI
Ship USS PURDY (DD-734) **Years From** 1944-07 **Years To** 1945-04
Civilian Occupation Purchasing and Accounting
Special Hobbies Fishing, Hunting, Reading
Favorite Memory Commissioning of the Purdy
Worst Memory Kamikaze Attacks
Children 4 **Grandchildren** 7
Special Comments

