HELLO SHIPMATE ...

IT'S BEEN ALMOST FIFTY YEARS. HAVE YOU BEEN WONDERING WHERE ALL YOUR SHIPMATES ARE NOW. LET ME TELL YOU HOW I HAPPEN TO BE TRYING TO BRING US ALL UP TO DATE. I WAS A COOK/BAKER ON THE NOA DD-343/APD-24 FINISHED MY TIME IN THE NAVY. WORKED FOR G.E. 30 YRS. DID COMPUTER CONSULTING FOR ANOTHER 15 YRS. FINALLY RETIRED TO FLORIDA. VETERANS DAY A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO SOME EX-SERVICEMEN ASKED ME IF I'D WORK IN THE KITCHEN OF THE COMMUNITY WHERE I LIVE ... AND PUT TOGETHER A REAL G.I. S.O.S. BREAKFAST, I CONSENTED AND IT WAS A BIG SUCCESS. I HAPPENED TO MENTION TO ANOTHER EX-SAILOR THAT I HAD SERVED ABOARD THE NOA... ABOUT A MONTH LATER HE BROUGHT ME A MAGAZINE ARTICLE ABOUT THE NOA (DD-841) HAVING A REUNION IN ORLANDO . . . I MADE CONTACT WITH THE ORGANIZERS AND GUESS WHAT THEY SAID TWO OF MY SHIPMATES HAD ATTENDED THE YEAR BEFORE AT SANFORD, FL. AND ANY CREWMEMBER OF THE NOA. WHENEVER WOULD BE MOST WELCOME I ATTENDED ALONG WITH THE TWO FROM THE YEAR BEFORE... BERNIE BAILEY, and JOHN (KEEL-HAUL) OTT WHAT A BLAST. LITTLE BY LITTLE SHIPMATES NAMES HAVE BEEN COLLECTED ABOUT A MONTH AFTER THIS YEARS REUNION I GOT A PHONE CALL FROM A SHIPMATE WHO REMEMBERED MY CINNAMON ROLLS..... IT TURNED OUT TO BE SHIPS CARPENTER JOHN MACAULEY "MAC" WELL WHAT DO YOU THINK ... HE HAD ALMOST A COMPLETE LIST OF THE CREW ... HERE'S THE CATCH, LAST NAMES ONLY NO FIRST NAMES. NO NICKNAMES. NO RATES. HOW ABOUT IT CAN YOU FILL IN SOME OF THE BLANKS RETURN WHAT INFO YOU CAN TO ME. I'LL PUT IT TOGETHER AND MAKE SURE WE ALL GET COPIES .. WOULDN'T IT BE GREAT IF WE COULD ONCE MORE RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS ... LET'S GIVE IT A TRY ...

WALTER "BUD" STRATTON SC2C (JUNE 43 --- SEPT 44)
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PLEASE INCLUDE ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS
IF YOU HAVE THEM. WHAT A GREAT FEELING JUST READING
THE NAMES AND REMEMBERING HOW TIGHT A SHIP WE HAD.

U.S.S. N	OA DD-343 /	APD-24 COMPL	EMENT
LT. COM. H	IENRY W. BOUI	D (SKIPPER) J	ULY 1943
OFFICERS	COMMUNICATIONS	ORDINANCE	DECK
*BOUD. HENRY W. BRANT, GEORGE E. CARMICHAEL COVINGTON HARGRAVE (BOAT) McCANDLESS, C.M. POLANSKY, G.A. ROBINSON, R.M. *STREET, GORDON WILLIAMS, G.A. WITCHEN, N.H. YOUNG, R.E. *DOCTOR* 77	BINGHAM COLLINGSWORTH (NEIGHBOR) DANIELS FOREINGER GILLESPIE LOCHIMO MAISEL SCHROEDER TAYLOR TOMASETTI VALENTINO WEAVER WINDSOR WOODWARD	ALLEN BAILEY BREDEAU CERVOLA FUZZY LANDERS LEFEVERE MITCHELL. TOM PAINTER PALMOUIST PILFORD REED ROGERS SOLANSKY URBANK	CHIEF KOZACK CHIEF TAGGART AMBROSE, DONALD ATES BEATTY BIGGS BLIGH BOST BRACKETT, JIM BRODERICK BYRNS CARSON CASTEFL CECIL DESSO DIFFENDALL
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GRAINGER

HARDESTY

HARRISON

HARTKEN

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CANNON

FOSTER

JENKINS

OLSEN

WOODS

SMITH K.C.

CORPSMEN

TOWNSEND

MOODY

ANDRADE

LAYTON

LUTACK

ATHEY

GOPIN

STOUT

HALE

STOREKEEPERS

CONST/REPAIR

BRASESCO, ANDY CINQUE, AL (ACE)

SKUNDRICH, PETE

WARWICK. CHARLES

MACAULAY, JOHN (MAC) MACINTIRE, TERRY

(CPM)

CHIEF RANDOLPH

CHAPMAN, RED

FITZGIBBONS

ALLEN

BACH

ASCIERNO

CHAPPEL

FLAHERTY FRICK (WT) GARRET, POP

HAMMER HAHN

JENKINS

MINTON

MOSLEY

PIETCH PIETZ

SALIGA SANTERIAN

SPEARS

WHITING

WISEHART

TRIPP

ORLOWSKI.

LEE

CHIEF JOHN RICHARDS

CHIEF RED McDANIELS

CUNNINGHAM, GABBY

PATTON, HAROLD (MM1) PATTON, WILLIAM

SAVAGE, VITO (MM1)

(WTC)

(WT2C)

PASTOR

RAY

RHULE

PLAISTED

REMILLARD

SPATOLA

THURMAN

STOKES

WHO KNOWS... RANK, DIVISION, ETC.

HOW ABOUT FIRST NAMES

SMITH, R.F.

TRAUTMAN (REAVA)

*DECEASED

U.S.S. NOA DD-343 / APD-24 COMPLEMENT

WHO KNOWS ... RANK, DIVISION, ETC. HOW ABOUT FIRST NAMES ??

BELLOWS. (QM3C) 40/ BOWEN, CLIFTON S. (CWT) COOPER, JOHN W. 40/41 DAVIDSON, WILLIAM J. 40/41 DAVIS. RAYMOND P. (CMM) JONES, R.W. (QMC)...QM STRIKER ON NOA APRIL, 1940 (RET OCT. 27, 1957) JOHNSON, ROGER C. [ETM1] 41/42 KEIER, CORNELIUS S. 1940 (RM1)... DIED 1990 LAMKEN. GENE LAWSON, HARVEY W. (CWT) 40/43 LYONS, LAWRENCE (BM1) 40/41 ₩ McCASHLAND, C.R. (CQM) ... DIED McNIEL (SM2C) 40/ NICHOLSON, ROSS (MM2) -- (MMC) NIMITZ (QM3) 40/ REISER, WILLIAM (SK) 40/43 ROBINSON, JAMES (CPO) 40/42 ROGERS, CECIL 40/42 ROGERS, ROBERT 40/41 SINCLAIR, WILLIAM 2/16/40--9/21/40 [CWO2] SMITH, ROY C. (CAPT 7) 25/27

COMMENDATION

by Walter:

Walter Sias Stratton, son of Mrs. Elmer B. Stratton of 54 Ash st., was separated from the Naval Reserve with the rating of S.C. 2/c on Dec. 31 after serving 3 years, 2 of which were spent in the Pacific. The following captain's commendation was reecived on Sept. 15, 1944 by Walter.

In connection with the attempted salvage of the U. S. S. Noa prior to her sinking on Sept. 12, 1944 Walter Sias Stratton, S. C. 2/c (T) U. S. N. R., voluntarily remained at the tumps in the fire room while the ship was sinking and we were attempting to light off a dry boiler alongside him, which we believed might explode momentarily. All unnecessary personnel had been or-dered from the ship. Had the salvage operation been successful a good deal of the credit would have been Stratton's. Signed,
H. W. BOND,

Lieut. Commander

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DAVIDSON, William J. 6500 OAKCLIFF	Eleanor	40-41
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JONES, R. W. 2960 HART AV. WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691-9	763	
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LAMKEN, Gene, Jr. (son of G 27728 MOUNT PLEASANT RD COLUMBUS, NJ 08022-1801		
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KEIER, Cornelius S. —— SIST 656 RHINELANDER AV BRONX, NY 10462-3547	ER CYNTHIH	40
LYONS, Lawrence J., BM1 498 W. ANDERSON ST. HACKENSACK, NJ 07601		40-41
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