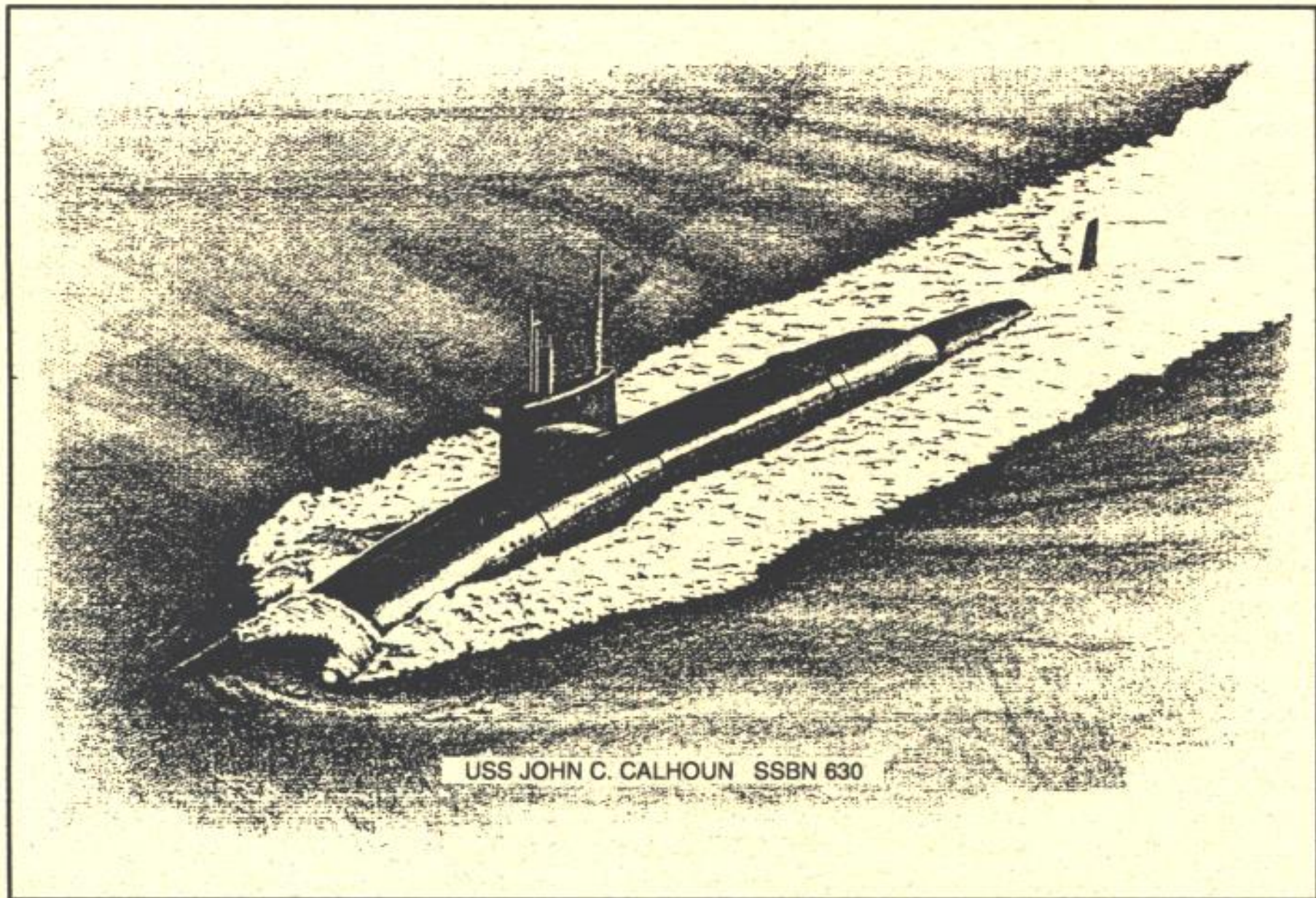


1963 - 1994



USS JOHN C. CALHOUN SSBN 630

*And when at length her course is run,
Her work for home and country done,
Of all the souls that in her sailed
Let not one life in thee have failed;
But hear from heaven our sailor's cry,
And grant eternal life on high!*

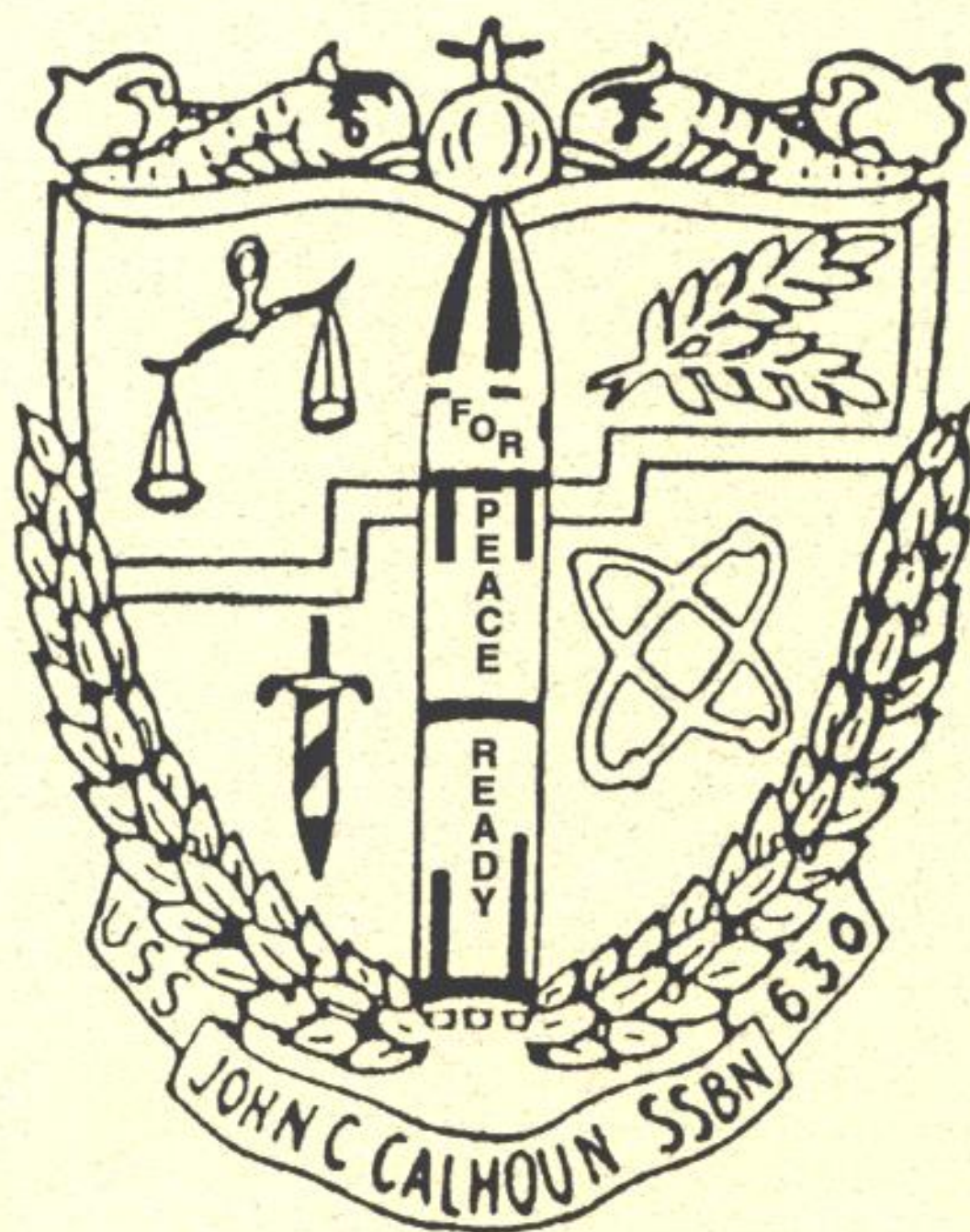


*Christening Of The USS John C. Calhoun,
June 22, 1963*

- * KEEL LAID JUNE 4, 1962 IN NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA
- * LAUNCHED JUNE 22, 1963 IN NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA
- * COMMISSIONED SEPTEMBER 15, 1964
- * CONDUCTED SEVENTY-SEVEN DETERRENT PATROLS
- * DECOMMISSIONED MARCH 28, 1994 IN BREMERTON, WASHINGTON

DECOMMISSIONING CEREMONY

Following 30 years of proud service



**Puget Sound Naval Shipyard
Bremerton, Washington**



USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN 630)

The USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN 630) is the twenty third Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine in the original fleet of forty-one. The ship was sponsored by the great granddaughter of John C. Calhoun. She was launched on June 22, 1963 and commissioned on September 15, 1964. The ship recently celebrated 28 years in commission.

The USS JOHN C. CALHOUN departed on her first Deterrent Patrol on March 22, 1965. While assigned to Submarine Squadron SIXTEEN and EIGHTEEN, she completed seventeen patrols carrying the Polaris missile.

In August 1969, CALHOUN entered the Mare Island Naval Shipyard for overhaul and was modified to carry the Poseidon missile. The ship returned to the fleet joining Submarine Squadron FOURTEEN in 1971 and completed twenty more Strategic Deterrent Patrols.

The CALHOUN entered Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for overhaul in 1977 and rejoined the United States Deterrent forces in the summer of 1979 as a unit of Submarine Squadron SIXTEEN in Kings Bay, Georgia. In 1980 CALHOUN was modified to carry the Trident missile and has now completed over seventy Strategic Deterrent Patrols.

In 1983, USS JOHN C. CALHOUN was distinguished by selection as the outstanding Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine in the U.S. Atlantic Fleet and winner of the Submarine Squadron SIXTEEN Battle Efficiency "E".

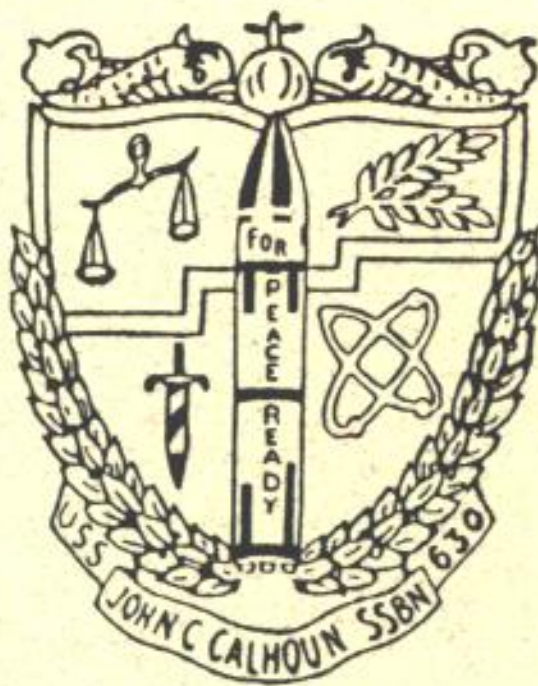
In January 1985, USS JOHN C. CALHOUN was presented the MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION by the Secretary of the Navy for meritorious service in the execution of its primary mission from 1 October 1982 to 31 May 1984.

In 1988, CALHOUN was awarded the Submarine Squadron Sixteen ASW/Operations White "A", Communications Green "C", the Battle Efficiency "E" and the Atlantic Fleet Submarine Force Tactical Readiness Evaluation "Top Performer" Award. Attaining this level of performance during the ship's first full year assigned to the squadron after overhaul resulted in CALHOUN's second Meritorious Unit Commendation for meritorious service during the period 27 June 1986 to 1 October 1988.

In 1992 the CALHOUN was again awarded the Submarine Squadron Sixteen Engineering Efficiency "E" and the Gold Crew was selected as the runner-up for the Atlantic Fleet Golden Anchor Award and awarded the Silver Anchor by the Commander, Submarine Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

In June 1993, USS JOHN C. CALHOUN completed its seventy-seventh and final deterrent patrol. The newly combined crew of JOHN C. CALHOUN then returned to Charleston, South Carolina to await her final underway to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Washington for deactivation.

Beginning with the first crew to man the ship, CALHOUN established and maintained a consistent, superb reputation that extended throughout her career. Each CALHOUN sailor, past and present, has had a direct hand in keeping her a leader in the strategic submarine force, and can be justly proud of her success. CALHOUN has completed her mission.



Commanding Officers

USS JOHN C. CALHOUN SSBN 630

BLUE

CDR DEAN L. AXENE
Took command 7 May 1963

CDR ROBERT B. CONNELLY
26 July 1966

CDR THOMAS A. JEWELL
2 September 1968 (Deceased)

CDR JACK I. HOEL
20 July 1972 (Deceased)

CDR GARY T. SMITH
19 September 1974

CDR THOMAS J. O'BRIEN
30 March 1979 (Deceased)

CDR G. J. CORCORAN
26 August 1983

CDR D. V. HAHNFELDT
12 December 1986

CDR RONALD R. LADD
26 January 1989

CDR STEVEN ROMANO
9 October 1991

GOLD

CDR FRANK A. THURTELL
Took command 20 December 1963

CDR WILLIAM M. COSSABOOM III
1 June 1967 (Deceased)

CDR W. J. COAKLEY
30 April 1969

CDR JOHN D. APPLE, JR.
30 April 1969

CDR WILLIAM E. RICHARDSON
17 December 1974

CDR F. MAXEY, JR.
29 December 1978

CDR ROBERT B. AVERY
5 March 1982

CDR C. A. SCHAEFER
27 June 1986

CDR THOMAS J. GOODWIN
12 May 1989

CDR WILLIAM T. ROGERSON JR.
14 February 1992

**CDR WILLIAM T. ROGERSON, JR.
COMMANDING OFFICER**



Commander Rogerson was born at Fort Polk, LA, the son of a career Army officer.

Graduating from high school in Northern Virginia, he obtained an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy and graduated in 1974 with a B.S. in Marine Engineering. Commander Rogerson attended nuclear pipeline training in Bainbridge, MD, and the SIC prototype in Windsor Locks, CT.

Following completion of pipeline training, Commander Rogerson served for four years on the USS GURNARD (SSN 662), homeported in San Diego, CA, as Sonar Officer, Main Propulsion Assistant and Weapons Officer.

In 1980, Commander Rogerson reported to the staff of the Commander Submarine Squadron FOURTEEN in Holy Loch, Scotland, as the Ship Maintenance, Monitoring and Support (SMMS) Officer. Returning to the United States in 1982, Commander Rogerson completed the Submarine Officer's Advanced Course in New London, CT, and was assigned to the USS NATHANAEL GREEN (SSBN 636) (GOLD) as the Engineer Officer where he completed seven patrols. In 1986, Commander Rogerson assumed duties as the Executive Officer of the USS GEORGE C. MARSHALL (SSBN 654) (BLUE) for six patrols. Commander Rogerson was then assigned shore duty at the Maintenance Branch (OP-212) for the Assistant Chief of Naval Operations, Undersea Warfare (OP-02) at the Pentagon, Washington, DC. During this tour, Commander Rogerson completed a Master of Arts degree in National Security Studies at Georgetown University.

In February 1992, Commander Rogerson assumed the duties as Commanding Officer, USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN 630) (GOLD), where he completed two patrols. During this period CALHOUN has been awarded the Engineering "E" for Excellence for Submarine Squadron SIXTEEN, was selected by the Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet as the runner-up for the Golden Anchor Award and awarded the Silver Anchor Award by the Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

Commander Rogerson's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal with one gold star and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Commander Rogerson resides in Bremerton, WA with his wife, the former Lorna Meikle from Elderslie Scotland. He has three daughters, Michelle (15), Megen (14) and three year old Lindsay.

USS JOHN C. CALHOUN
DECOMMISSIONING CREW

OFFICERS

CDR WILLIAM T. ROGERSON, Commanding Officer
CDR BRITT C. SKOGSTAD, Executive Officer

LCDR MICHEAL P. CROWELY, Navigator
LCDR DONALD A. HOLCOMB, Engineer
LT THEODORE O. PICKERILL, Weapons Officer
LT MATTHEW K. MARTIN, Supply Officer
LT PATRICK S. BAYLISS
LT BRUCE A. JOBE
LT JAMES O. RASURE

LT STEPHEN M. HARRISON
LT BRYAN J. KLIR
LT RICKY L. SANBORN
LT MARSHALL R. SEAVERS
LT JOHN R. SCOTT, JR
LTJG TERRY D. BISARD

CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS

STSCS(SS) TERRANCE A. GULCZYNSKI
Chief of the Boat

MMCS(SS) ROBERT W. BEVAN, Machinery Division LPO
EMCS(SS) CHARLES G. HOUSTON, Engineering Department Enlisted Advisor
MTCS(SS) DENNIS C. SIMPSON, Weapons Department LPO
MTC(SS) THOMAS E. FAUNCE, JR, Missile Division LPO
EMC(SS) TODD L. FOLKESTAD, Electrical Division LPO
RMC(SS) MARK A. FRITZ, Radio Division LPO

MMC(SS) TIMOTHY L. HARE, Auxiliary Division LPO
MSC(SS) ROBERT G. KREPPEIN, Mess Specialist Division LPO
MMC(SS) JOSEPH A. KUNZ, 3M Coordinator
ETC(SS) ROBERT W. MONEY, Reactor Controls Division LPO
QMC(SS) RICHARD A. ROSE, Quartermaster Division LPO
SKC(SS) CHARLES E. SMITH, Supply Division LPO

CREW

MM1(SS) MARK E. ALLEN
MT1(SS) JOHN I. ARNN, IV
HM1(SS) SHERMAN E. BOSS, III
FT1(SS) HENRY M. DREYER, III
TM1(SS) TERRY D. GLASGOW
IC1(SS) JAMES L. HELMAN
MM1(SS) JEFFERY R. JETER
MM1(SS) JAMES G. JOHNSTON
FT1(SS) DAVID R. LANGLEY
MS1(SS) DAVID C. LEVERETTE
EM1(SS) MARK D. LLEWELLYN
RM1(SS) DAVID A. McMAHON
MM1(SS) THOMAS G. MOORE
MM1(SS) CHARLES R. NASH
MT1(SS) PATRICK G. NORVELL
YN1(SS) KEVIN B. O'BRIEN
ET1(SS) KENNETH N. OWINGS
ET1(SS) EVERETT E. PEACOCK
MT1(SS) JOHN L. PETERS
ET1(SS) WILLIAM B. PINKHAM
EM1(SS) ROBERT L. PROSSER
ET1(SS) WILLIAM T. RAEBER
MM1(SS) DENNIS L. REGISTER
MM1(SS) MARCOS L. REYES
STS1(SS) BRYAN J. RUDY
MM1(SS) JACK F. SIGMAN
MT1(SS) MICHEAL G. SMITH
MM1(SS) LONNIE D. SPEARS, II
QM1(SS) MICHEAL D. VEGA
ET2(SS) GUILLERMO AMEZAGA
MT2(SS) B. SCOTT ANDREWS

RM2(SS) BRAD K. ANDREWS
MS2(SS) CHRIS BALDRIDGE
MM2(SS) JOHNATHAN L. BALL
STS2(SS) KENNETH L. BATES
STS2(SS) SCOTT J. BAUSKE
ET2(SS) JAMES M. BEARD
TM2(SS) MICHEAL C. BENNETT
MM2(SS) JONATHAN W. BEVER
ET2(SS) REED C. BILLINGSLEY
MM2(SS) HIERONYMUS BOAZ
MM2(SS) LARRY R. BRANT
STS2(SS) RICHARD J. BURMOOD
MM2(SS) JOHN E. CONCELMAN
QM2(SS) COREY R. COWELL
SK2(SS) ANTHONY CRUZ
M2(SS) ROBERT S. CULBREATH
EM2(SS) KLINT R. DAVIDSON
MT2(SS) JEFFERY DEHARO
MM2(SS) PEDRO ELIZALDE
MM2(SS) ERIC L. EMRICK
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ET2(SS) TRAVIS E. SHIPLEY
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ET2(SS) STUART A. SMITH
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MSSN(SS) WILLIAM K. BANKS
FN(SS) DEAN E. DIRIENZO
QMSN(SS) DAVID J. DRAKE
SN(SU) JOSEPH S. GIRRANTANA
SN(SS) BRIAN D. GOLD
MTSN(SS) JAMES P. KLEIN
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FN(SS) MICHAEL P. ORTMAYER
TMSN(SS) RICHARD E. PERIEDA
SN(SS) MICHAEL E. SMITH

USS JOHN C. CALHOUN SSBN 630

COMMISSIONED SEPTEMBER 15, 1964



THE COMMISSIONING PENNANT

At the moment the commissioning pennant is broken, a ship becomes the responsibility of the Commanding Officer, who together with the ship's officers and men, has the duty of making her ready for any service required by our nation.



The commissioning pennant has for centuries been the symbol of a man-of-war. It is believed to date from the 17th century, when the Dutch were at war with the English. Dutch Admiral Maarten Harpertszoon Tromp hoisted a broom at his masthead to symbolize his intention to sweep the English from the sea. British Admiral William Blake answered this gesture by hoisting a horsewhip, indicating his intention to chastise the Dutch. The victorious British thus set the precedent for a long narrow commissioning pennant, symbolizing the original horsewhip as the distinctive symbol of a ship of war.

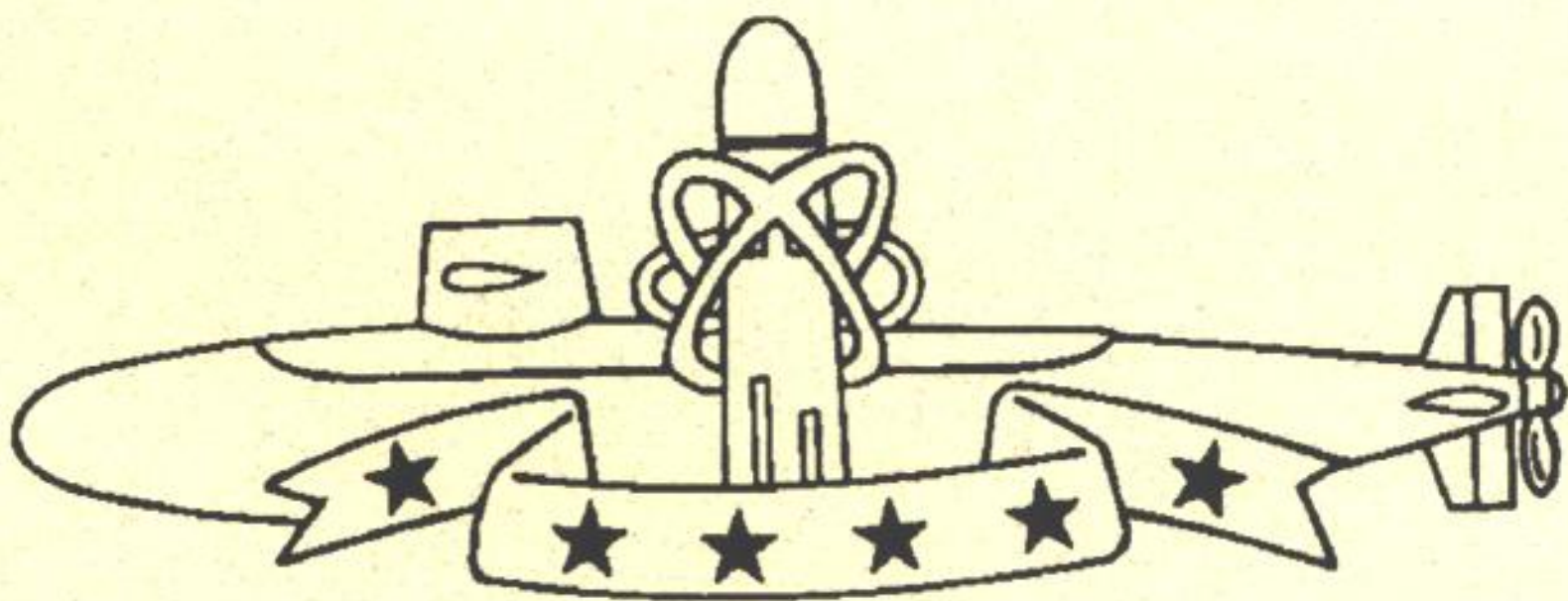


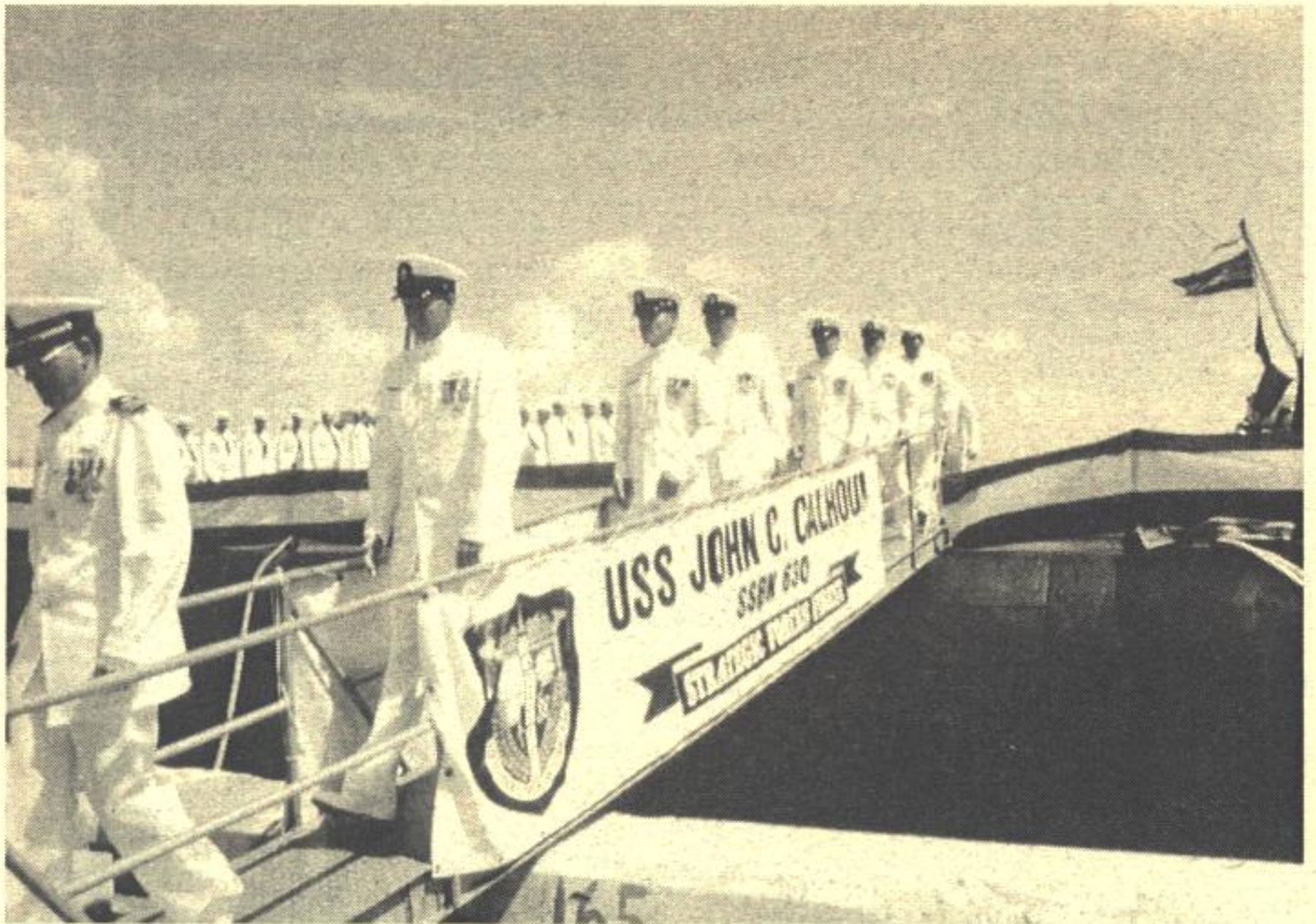
The modern U.S. Navy commissioning pennant is blue at the hoist with a union of seven white stars, and a horizontal red and white stripe at the fly. In lieu of a commissioning pennant, flagships fly Admiral's personal flags, hence the name flagship.



THE DECOMMISSIONING CEREMONY

The ceremony today is a tribute to the ship and its crew as it is decommissioned, the honorable end of a ship's service to its country. The ship's colors and commissioning pennant are hauled down and the watches secured. The solemn ceremony where the commissioning pennant, ensign, and jack are hauled down for the last time is a dedication to the success of the ship and the men who sailed it.







DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

USS JOHN C. CALHOUN S58N-630

FPO AA 34090-2036

THE LAST WATCH STRATEGIC FORCES FINEST CALHOUN'S FINAL PLAN OF THE DAY

SDO: LCDR HOLCOMB
DCPO: TM1(SS) GLASGOW
JULIAN DATE: 4087

SECTION LEADER: MM2(SS) FERGUSON
DUTY SECTION: FOUR
SUNRISE: 0601 SUNSET: 1835

MONDAY, 28 MARCH 1994

UNIFORM OF THE DAY: SERVICE DRESS BLUES

0615 - Reveille
0630 - Duty Section Clean-up Ship
0800 - LIBERTY EXPIRES FOR ALL HANDS
0810 - FINAL OFFICER/LPO CALL
0945 - All hands muster for Decommissioning Ceremony
1000 - Decommissioning Ceremony
1045 - Order distribution at Naval Reserve Center

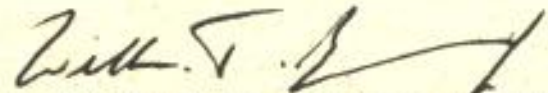
1. All personnel must turn in their shipyard badge and pick up their service, medical, and pay records immediately after the ceremony at the Naval Reserve Center. You will be unable to execute your orders without them.

2. Captain's farewell:

"As we strike USS John C. Calhoun's colors for the last time, you can be justly proud to have continued to maintain the fine reputation of our ship unbroken for nearly 30 years. You have kept the faith of the 5000 other officers and men who have striven and sacrificed to make her a standout in the submarine force. As we secure the watch, we take from her the "can do" spirit that breathed life into the ship and made her a leader in the submarine force.

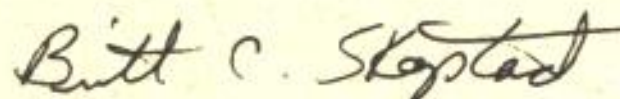
The pinnacle of every Naval Officer's career is command of a ship. You have made my tour on CALHOUN the most satisfying and rewarding of my career. Together, we have achieved significant success in a very short period of time. We have won the Engineering "E", the COMSUBLANT Silver Anchor, CINCLANTFLT's Golden Anchor award runner-up, and been among the force's top strategic performers. We successfully combined two crews, withstood the hardships of a cross-country change of home port, the arduous demands of a defueling, and the sad circumstance of preparing the ship for decommissioning. Well done.

As you go to your next duty station, I hope you will take the "can do" spirit you breathed into CALHOUN with you, and continue to be a leader. God bless you and your families.


WILLIAM T. ROGERSON, JR, CDR, USN
Commanding Officer
USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN 630)

3. Executive Officer's final comments:

"It has been an extreme pleasure to work with a superb team of true professionals. Your unfailing support and professional pride have built on CALHOUN's already exceptional record of accomplishments that have set the standard for the submarine force throughout her years of service. I would welcome the opportunity of serving with any of you in the future."


BRITT C. SKOGSTAD, CDR, USN
Executive Officer
USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN 630)