

My Heart's At Sea Forever

Long ago I was a Sailor,  
I sailed the Ocean blue.  
I knew the bars in Singapore...  
The coastline of Peru

I knew well the sting of salt spray,  
The taste of Spanish wine,  
The beauty of the Orient...  
Yes, all these things were mine.

But I wear a different hat now,  
Jeans & t-shirts too.  
My sailing days were long ago...  
With that life I am through.

But somewhere deep inside of me,  
The sailor lives there still.  
He longs to go to sea again...  
But knows he never will.

My love, my life, is here at home,  
And I will leave here never.  
Though mind and body stay ashore...  
My heart's at sea forever.

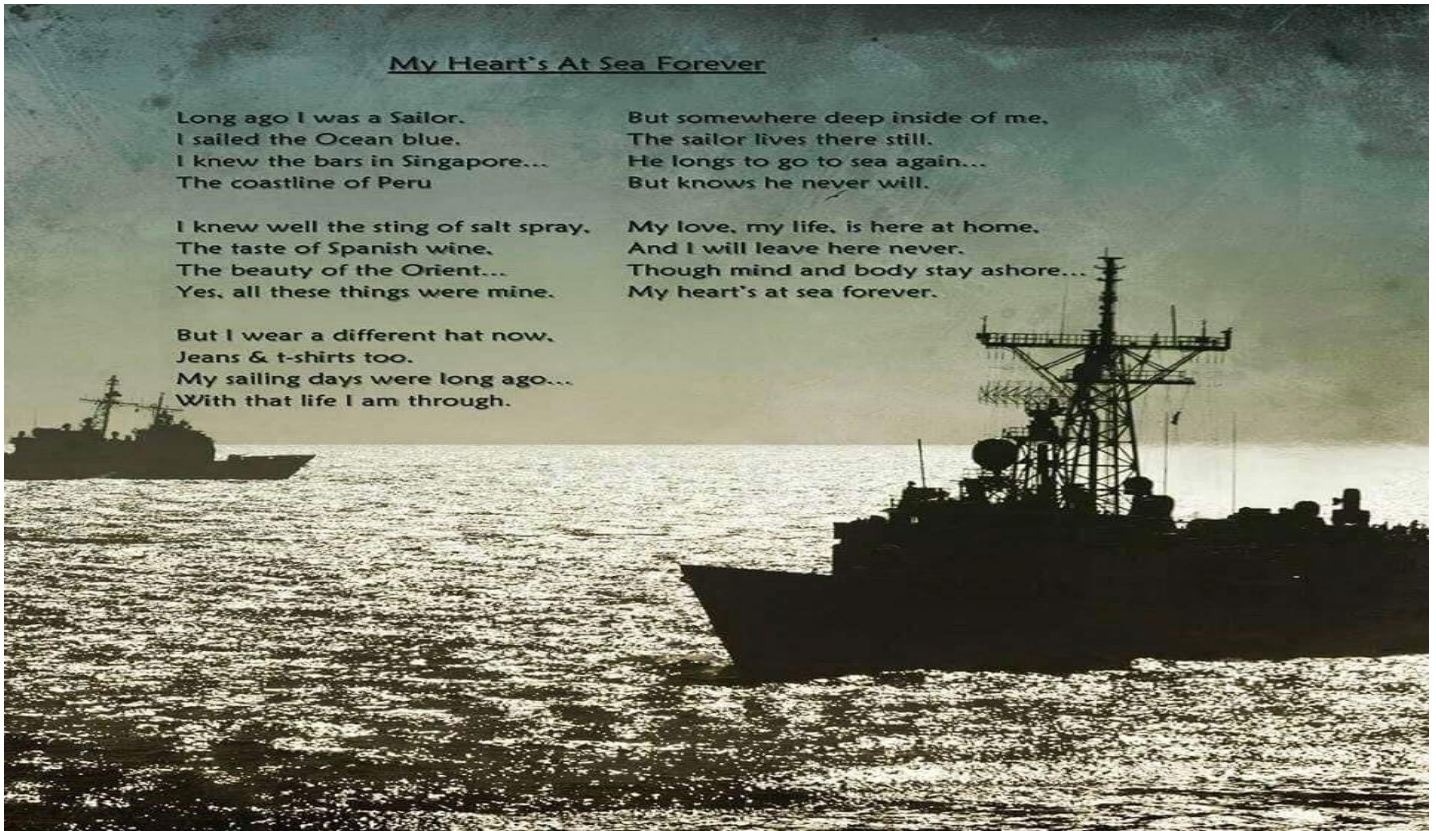


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## USS Robert H McCard 2nd Qtr Flag Hoist 2022



### Our Mission

The Mission of the USS Robert H McCard Alumni Association Officers and Crew is to perpetuate memory, history, and comradery of the men who gave themselves to protect the freedoms we have today. Thirty-four years of service 1945-1980.

**CHECK US OUT ON THE WEB AND FACEBOOK**

<https://www.ussroberthmccarddd822.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/162641293885636/>



### **A Message From The C.O.**

**Just a note of encouragement to all of our shipmates:**

**I have seen so many things with our association. It is so important that we keep our association going full speed ahead. Our Paymaster, Glenn Anderson has done the lion's share of work to put our Reunion together. As he is the one who receives the funds, dues should be sent to him. You can find the form in the miscellaneous file on the Facebook page or here in the Flag Hoist. Please sign some new blood into the Association.**

**Cliff and Marcellia Leday are a blessing to the Association as they prepare the Flag Hoist and make sure that those with e-mail addresses get a copy of the Flag Hoist in their e-mail. They also send copies out to those without e-mail. The work they do is very important!**

**John Hagen is often the right hand man because he and Glenn keep me in line. He puts in a lot of time and work into our Association.**

**The Association cannot continue without everyone recruiting. The \$10 membership dues is not harsh, but if you need help, just ask for it.**

**A word about the Reunion, people need to fill out the Registration Form as soon as possible. We are needing this done by the end of June as Glenn has things he needs to pay for in July. Make your hotel reservations by September 7 at the Hilton Cincinnati Airport. If they don't give you the proper room rate of \$119 per night, Kelly will help you out.**

**Finally, the officers will be having a Zoom meeting as soon as we can and we will present information at the reunion for locations with costs of hotels and tours. If you have a location for a reunion, please send the information to one of the officers and we will get proposals from each site.**

**Thank each of you. Becky and I will be at the hotel on Monday, September 26. Remember this is a place for us to enjoy each other's company, share sea stories, and learn more about our times. Bring pictures and we will look forward to seeing everyone!**

**Steve Shepherd, EW1 73-78**



Shipmates, let us remember our brother who has passed from us to a greater glory. He is now in the arms of his maker in eternal rest. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

*Day is done, Gone the sun, From the lakes, From the hills, From the sky.  
All is well. Safely Rest. God is nigh.*



## **NEW TO THE CREW**

### **NONE TO REPORT**

On behalf of the entire USS Robert H. McCard (DD-822) crew, we welcome anyone who served with us. You don't have to raise your hand or swear to anything, either.

### **BINNACLE LIST**

*O God, be with the weak and injured, give aid to those who watch and wait, and comfort to all: Mercifully accept our prayers on behalf of any who are in need. Grant to him the help of your power, that his illness may be turned to health and our cares for him to joy, by the strength of Your Holy Name. Amen*

**REMEMBER** –a card, letter, or email would do wonders to cheer up friends or shipmates.

Please contact Yeoman Clifford Leday, [cleday7k@gmail.com](mailto:cleday7k@gmail.com) or P.O. Box 862, Kinder, La 70648, 337-309-5252 for any information update, or to update the Last Watch or Binnacle Lists.

**A Message To Association Members From XO John Hagen, CS2 70-72**

**Ahoy Shipmates**

**As the XO of the McCard Association part of my duties is recruitment. I concentrated on members who have not renewed their membership in the last couple of years and we had very productive conversations, and for some all I got was answering machines. The annual renewal fee is \$10, which is the cheapest fee for anything we all join. The fee is used mostly for reunion snacks. Wine, beer, pop, assorted snacks and pizza or sub sandwiches in our hospitality room to keep the crew together in the evenings. Lots of good “bull” is spread around in the evenings. We would love to have all of you back on the association crew list and better yet, at the reunions. Renewals are down so far this year and we need to get it going again. Renewal forms come with the Flag Hoist or on the facebook web page. Flag Hoist is sent to several members who have not registered for a year or two. We want to keep you informed and hope we can get you to rejoin.**

**Some ideas for 2023 reunion are as follows**

**My idea is Mobile, Alabama Plenty of history and ships, planes, and land vehicles from all branches of service.**

**Bob Crans mentioned Michigan as another**

**Ron Perceful brought up Oklahoma City**

**Glenn mentioned Jacksonville**

**Steve mentioned Branson**

**Virginia Beach was another (If I remember right, John Childs idea)**

**Everyone will have a chance to pitch their idea at the reunion, then the crew can vote for their favorite.**

**Nice to go to some of these cities that as an individual their not on our list of things to do. Great country we live in!**

**So please send in those renewals, stay safe, and hope to see everyone in Cincy!!**

**Best Regards**

**John Hagen**



**HOTEL RESERVATIONS  
INDIVIDUAL CALL-IN**

DATES: **Check-in** September 28, 2022; **Check-out** October 2, 2022

HOTEL: **Hilton Cincinnati Airport**

ADDRESS: 7373 Turfway Rd., Florence, Ky 41042

PHONE: (859) 372-9621 **IMPORTANT!!!: Refer to Group Code: RHM ON LINE**

RESERVATIONS: Group Code: USSRHM

ROOM RATE: \$119.00 per night plus taxes.

Includes Free Breakfast & Free Parking

Please Following Instructions below;

There are two ways to make reservations:

(1)

<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhcn=CVGCHHF&groupCode=USSRHM&arrivaldate=2022-09-28&departuredate=2022-10-02&cid=OM.WW.HILTONLINK.EN.DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

(2)

Call the Hilton reservation line at 1-800-HILTONS

**Note:** Reference the purpose of visit as

USS Robert H McCard Reunion Group Code "USSRHM.

**NOTE:**

**The cut-off date to make reservations in the block at the discounted rate is Wednesday, September 7th. Any requests after this date are based upon availability and not guaranteed the group's discounted room rate. Guests are encouraged to make reservations as soon as possible to ensure availability. Please note a credit card will be required to secure the reservation, but will not be charged until you check-in. If you have any trouble booking your reservations, please Call 859-372-9621**

Thank you,

Kelly Riordan | Convention Services Coordinator.

**USS Robert H McCard  
2022 Reunion Registration Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest :

Arrival/Check-in Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

First Reunion? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

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Banquet Attendance

(Check All Appropriate)

The annual banquet on Saturday evening will be a plated three course dinner Entrée choices:

\* Chicken Marsala \* Bourbon Braised Beef \* Grilled Gourmet Salmon

Dessert: Chef's Choice

Guest Dinner Choices:

Yourself: Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Fish \_\_\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest: Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Fish \_\_\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment \$35.00 x QTY = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

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Tours

Thursday: Military Museum @ Wright-Patterson AFB..... \$60.00 ea. x \_\_\_\_\_ =

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Friday: City Tour, Boat Tour Luncheon..... \$65.00 ea x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment for Banquet & Tours: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*\* Instructions \*\*\*\*\***

Print form. Complete required information, and mail with check to:  
Robert H. McCard Association  
% Glenn Anderson  
113 Kemar Dr. Butler, Pa 16002

\*\*\*\*\* Notice \*\*\*\*\*

As of this writing, many areas of the country are still in some variation of COVID restrictions. Public vaccination is moving at a pace that we're hopeful we will not be hindered with restrictions at the reunion. Reservations can safely be made at your earliest convenience, and we will establish final booking date criteria for cancellation without penalty. In the 3rd quarter newsletter, we will also notify you of a request for final head count which will determine if we continue with the reunion in the proposed form. Tour pricing is predicated on headcount.

**CREW MEMBER RENEWAL AND APPLICATION**  
**USS Robert H. McCard Association**

**Please Print Clearly**

Crew Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Aboard: From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Final Rank/Rate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do Not Send** Cash...your canceled check is your receipt.

Make checks payable to: *Robert H. McCard (DD-822) Association*  
Mail to: Glenn Anderson, 113 Kemar Drive, Butler, PA 16002

**Are you a new member? Yes No**

**\$10.00 Annual Dues Enclosed (one year)** January 1<sup>st</sup> thru December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Send Flag Hoist (Check One):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Via U.S.P.S. (Address Above) OR** \_\_\_\_\_ **Via E-mail**

**Comments/Questions:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**You may contact Treasurer Glenn Anderson directly @ 724/487-7873; [glenn.just4fun@gmail.com](mailto:glenn.just4fun@gmail.com)**

Association holds **reunions each year at locations voted upon by the membership. There is a website for members as well as a quarterly Newsletter titled Flag Hoist.**



**Ship's Ball Cap:** High quality caps with the McCard profile (Before Fram and After Fram available). The hats are adjustable "one size fits all." Cost is \$20.00 which includes shipping. **New members** receive one Ship's Ball Cap Free.

**Ship's Patch:** This official patch measures 3 1/2" x 3 7/8" and is the same high quality as ships patches made for today's Navy. Ideal for sewing on a jacket, sweatshirt, t shirt, etc. Cost is \$3.00 plus mailing.




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**Ship's Patch and Ball Cap Order Form**

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ **McCard ship's patch(s)** at \$3.00 each + shipping

- 1 patch = \$3.00 + 49 cents shipping
- 2 patches = \$6.00 + 70 cents shipping
- 3 patches = \$9.00 + 91 cents shipping

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ (Before Fram) **McCard Ship's Ball Cap** at \$20.00 each.

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ (After Fram) **McCard Ship's Ball Cap** at \$20.00 each.

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send check Payable to "Robert H. McCard Association" with correct amount to:  
Glenn Anderson, 113 Kemar Drive, Butler, PA 16002**