

# THE IRONMAN—A DOUBLE ENDER’S NEWSLETTER

**Membership Scorebox**

Active	115
Lifetime	38
Snail Mail Addresses Only	251
Email Address	497
Total Shipmates	4,252

## 2021 Colorado Springs USS Reeves DLG/CG 24 Reunion

By Gerry Hines FTM2/VP USS Reeves Association

For the fifth time in the last 13 years, I have been selected (coerced) by our fearless leader President Tom Bailey to write a diary of sorts about our recent very enjoyable reunion in Colorado Springs. To say it was a Rocky Mountain high would be an understatement. We had 58 attendees. I don’t think a more scenic site for a reunion could be found anywhere. The mountain views right from the hotel were spectacular.

Tom and Mary Bailey and a few others arrived on Wednesday to move a mountain of supplies up to our third-floor hospitality room. It was more than a room; it was the largest and most plush we have ever had. Consisting of two large rooms (one with leather couches and a large screen TV), two small kitchens, a bathroom and a small room with a refrigerator and a bar setup. Clearly the most elaborate setup of the 9 Reeves reunions. The size of the hotel was a bit daunting to some and search parties had to be sent out several times. I was lucky and scored a room on the first floor near the lobby.

Thursday was the arrival date for most of us and after checking in to our rooms we found our way to the check-in table in the hospitality suite. It was good to see old friends again as it has been 3 years since the Providence, Rhode Island reunion. Many of our members make sure to be at each event to renew friendships and make new ones. Each reunion has its share of first timers, and this one was no exception. They were newbies to start with but by the end they have become a part of us. There were only 3 of us plank owners from the original commissioning crew in 1964 (Myself, Ronald Brown, and Pieter Voss). Our numbers are dwindling for obvious reasons. There were 7 of us from the 60s (the above plus Charles Sauls, Al Croisant, Rich Peters, and Gary Miller). The rest were scattered through the 70s, 80s, and early nineties. Thursday night has traditionally been when the sea stories start getting hot and heavy and this one was no exception. I was not there to see it, but they tell me this went on until 1:30 am. I am guessing that it is true as there were some bleary eyes at breakfast the next morning.

Speaking of breakfasts. This hotel had an amazing breakfast buffet and if you went away hungry you had no one to blame but yourself. I overdid it the first morning and learned my lesson.

Friday had no official events scheduled until the evening reception, so we took off in all directions. A favorite spot seemed to be the Garden of the Gods as we

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## The President’s Page



Greetings to the entire USS Reeves Association Family

I’m happy to announce that we just concluded our ninth USS Reeves Association reunion, and that it was easily one of the best reunions that the Association has ever seen. Now that we are rested up from the whirlwind of reunion activities, it’s time to reflect on what was really behind the success.

Gerry’s lead article on the reunion does a great job of explaining how the reunion went and what a great time we had. However, once the dust settled there are more than a few reasons why things worked out so well. It’s important to consider the process while everything is still fresh, and to learn. So, here’s my view of why this one worked.

For starters, the Colorado Spring location gave us a big advantage over past venues. Not that there was anything magic about the Springs, it was just that we live about 40 minutes south of the reunion site, and that alone enabled us to get almost all the supplies purchased ahead of time. We shopped locally for deals a few weeks ahead of the reunion and were able to store everything. It also saved us a lot in shipping costs. We just loaded everything into our enclosed trailer for our trip to the Springs.

We arrived on Wednesday afternoon but didn’t have our hospitality suite until Thursday morning. We ran into some Reeves shipmates at the hotel that evening and got them signed-up for a working party the next morning to get the trailer off-loaded and the room set-up. That’s when the Reeves magic started. The shipmates who had been volunteered for the next days working party grumbled a little, as expected, but they were all there the next morning and ready to go. We commandeered four luggage carts from the hotel and loaded each several times to have the trailer fully unloaded within 90 minutes. While the brute squad muscled full carts up to the third floor, there appeared yet more Reeves family to unload the boxes and get the entire room set-up for business. This was an all-hands evolution!

Mary noted that there was nothing but cooperation to get things done. No arguments.... just tell us what you need, and it was done. We had both hospitality rooms, the ships store, memorabilia tables, flags, table decorations, snacks, coffee bar, iced beverage coolers, and the adult beverage bar all set up by lunchtime. The level of cooperation was clearly that of a group of old friends that were there to work together to get the job done. We all smiled knowing that the Reeves Family was back together for the first time in three years.

The next few days also had many examples of people stepping up to make things right. When I explained that we had Navy Junior ROTC cadets that were going to be serving as side boys and color guard for our banquet, and that the cost to us was that they were to be invited to dine with us at the banquet. I was happy to have the NROTC support but was concerned that seven additional dinners at \$45 each was going to wear on our budget. Once I heard from the NROTC commander (a retired USN Captain) that his real interest was that the ca-

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All comments, suggestions, submissions and criticism are welcome. My email is always open..

## Life Memberships

At the 2014 reunion in Portland, shipmates voted for a Life Membership. After researching various Associations, it was decided that the US Navy Cruiser Sailor Association’s plan was best for the USS Reeves Association. Monies for life membership are placed in an interest-bearing account and not mixed with operating funds.

The schedule is simple:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Under 50	\$500
Under 60	\$400
Under 70	\$300
Under 80	\$200
80 or older	\$100

We already have 38 life members.

### Letter to the editor

53 years ago, this month I was transferred off of the Reeves after serving 2 1/2 years in her. I knew she was special and what a good and rewarding time I had during our Westpac deployment. I had such a great time that the ship I was transferred to was such a disappointment that I decided to get out of the Navy after 5 years 10 months and 11 days. I probably would have reenlisted if my next duty didn't seem like such a waste! The Reeves was such a class act and a hard one to follow.

2021 Colorado Springs was my first reunion. I do thank my wife (Francine) of 49 years for encouraging me until I finally decided to go. I had a wonderful time meeting and talking to fellow shipmates that came after me and how they felt about her. I don't think my feelings are so strange after meeting some of them.

I do encourage any and all to attend the 2023 reunion (place to be determined) to meet up with shipmates that feel the same way you do.

I sincerely appreciate Tom and all of his staff for the excellent job they did and the hospitality shown to all!

Thanks,

Charles H. Sauls 1966-1968

I did feel bad about them using her for target practice, but I guess it beats them cutting her up for scrap! May she rest in peace!

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Good evening, Shipmates .This is IRBT from his Home Port in Oakdale Connecticut. It was another great reunion, and I'm glad I went. The Royal Gorge was an awesome sight to see. Needless to say, it was great to see my fellow engineers and the passengers and their wives. It is safe to say that we had enough BT's and a few flangeheads to raise steam and get underway. Make plans to attend the next reunion, see you there.

Take Care

Charlie Suckow

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Tom,

It's always good to see the Reeves Ironmen I served with at the reunion. What was really cool was talking

with the guys that served when the Reeves was first commissioned. I met two gentlemen Pieter Voss, and Charles Sauls who was a MM like me. Charles even worked in Main Control. We later found out that we both also served on Charleston Class LKA's and how much we disliked them. It was a great conversation. Pieter Voss was also an interesting man to talk with and I enjoyed hearing his sea stories.

That's what makes the Reeves reunion an extraordinary thing. It allows you to connect with other Ironmen no matter when you served. You quickly find out how much you have in common with them.

Thanks for the great job your team did on making the Reeves Reunion a success.

John Hrynkow

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Hello Tom and Mary! Once again thanks for a wonderful reunion. Attached, please find my short letter to the editor. Hope all is well with you and you are getting some well-deserved rest.

From a wife's point of view, I have to say that I am so glad I was able to convince my husband, Charles Sauls, to attend the reunion. It was one of the best decisions we ever made together. Tom and Mary, along with all of their many helpers had everything planned and organized. The venue was wonderful and I immediately felt welcome and at home. So many wonderful stories I had never heard before and the best group of people I would want to spend a weekend with. Lots of laughter and a few tears from some very tender moments. I left with so much pride in what our guys did in their years on the Reeves. Memories to last a lifetime!

Sincerely,

Francine Sauls

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Once again, a good gathering. The Reunion is very special.. The Reeves had sailors who carried about their brother. Tom, you and Mary and the officers showed the carry of all. Looking forward the future.

Tony Borba and Tina

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Hi Tom,

Had a great time and the USN Captain, USS Midway Aviator, was an interesting speaker. I think he compared Carter's USN 76-80 and the disaster Operation

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## The President's Page (cont)

dets sit amongst our shipmates during dinner so that they could see what Navy brotherhood looks like 27 years after a ship was de-commissioned, then we were in. When I explained my budget concerns, several shipmates immediately stepped up to sponsor the cadets and cover the cost of the dinners.

The weekend also had many shipmates step up to make cash donations to the association, and many more signed up for Life Memberships. I believe this to be a sign that people felt like they were part of something special. We thank our shipmates for their generosity.

Another example of going well beyond expectations, was Janice and Bill Kane, who showed up with an entire suitcase full of very nice gifts to be raffled off at the banquet. The gifts were a complete donation to the cause and were completely un-solicited. Janice had done this before in Providence in 2018 and enjoyed just how much fun it added to the banquet activities. She and Bill completely out-did themselves this time, and the entire crowd benefitted from their generosity. We can't thank Janice and Bill enough for going that extra mile.

Further evidence of family-like participation showed up over the weekend when the Association sponsored a "Painting with a Twist" party for our ladies. This was funded by an inadvertent donation from our shipmate Eric Wenzel, who's trip to the reunion was overridden by another business requirement, and he was forced to cancel. He told us to apply his already paid fees to something important. Thanks Eric, the ladies had a ball spending your donation.

The banquet was exceptional. As Gerry pointed out, we were treated to side-boys, a color guard, and a very interesting guest speaker. The path to getting a speaker was involved, and the Space Force, from whom we requested a speaker, let us down at the last minute. Our saviors on this one turned out to be the Navy League of Colorado Springs. They heard of our problem and within hours had us in touch with the Doherty High School Junior ROTC for the side boys and color guard, and an hour later we got a call from the speaker they had located for us. BZ to the Navy League for stepping up large... in a very Army, Air Force, and Space Force kind of town. We'll know better next time!

Our next big thank you goes out to all the Association family that showed up on Monday morning to pack and load everything in near record time. It was a stunning repeat of the moving in process, with everyone just doing whatever was necessary to get the job done.

Later that day, several shipmates (and Fumiyo) followed Mary and I down to Pueblo to help us unload the trailer and rework the storage boxes so that one day in 2023 we can find things. We also loaded up the ships store for its road trip to Wisconsin. Again, it could not have been done without you.

So FINALLY, I can get to the greatest single factor that ensured the success of the entire reunion..... and that would be my wife, Mary. There was not a single aspect of the reunion that she was not involved with. Mary has been paying all the bills for the last five years as our de-facto treasurer, she maintains all the membership records, was purchasing agent for practically everything we needed for the reunion, carried around a lot of stuff, prepared all the welcome packages, organized the hospitality room, registered everyone as they arrived, and then made sure every need was addressed throughout the entire weekend. There is truly no way this reunion could have enjoyed success without her, and for that we all owe her a great deal of thanks.

So that, my friends, is my take on why the 9<sup>th</sup> USS Reeves Association was a success. I hope we have as much luck in plotting our path to the next reunion. It can at times seem like a thankless task, but now we have a fresh reminder of the importance of the friends we've made over the years. That makes it worthwhile.

Here's wishing you fair winds and following seas

//tom

Tom Bailey B-Div. (84-87)

## 2021 Colorado Springs USS Reeves DLG/CG 24 Reunion (continued)

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ran in to several others of our crew making their way through. If you have never been there, it is a must see in Colorado Springs. The rock formations are amazing with mountain views in all directions.

The reception that evening was wonderful, the rest of the attendees had arrived and joined us for wine, beer, cheese trays and lots of different kinds of pizzas. The pizzas were the result of a lesson we learned in Providence. The hotel there had some delicious hors d'oeuvres and when we were informed that they could supply more we said of course. Only to be floored by the large bill presented later. We may not be the brightest bulb in the box, but we do learn. Anyway, the reception was a big hit (plus we had leftover pizza for the rest of the weekend), and the sea stories flowed like a river. Some of them were even new and almost believable as there were several first timers with us.

Saturday's main event was the bus tour to the Royal Gorge. We had nearly a full bus. The Royal Gorge is a 1000-foot-deep spectacular site which has a bridge, gondolas and zip lines crossing it. One of the craziest (In my mind anyway) attractions is the Royal Rush Skycoaster. They put you in a harness, haul you about fifty feet in the air and release you to swing way out over that 1000-foot gorge. Not surprisingly none of us old fogies tried it.

Back at the hotel some of us tried the Sports Bar food which was excellent while others scattered around the city to other restaurants. That evening back in the hospitality room, the adult beverages and sea stories continued.

Sunday afternoon the ladies had a new event while our business meeting was going on. A very patient artist instructed the ladies in a landscape painting. As reported to me it was a hilarious fun event. Of course, there were several bottles of wine involved so that probably enhanced the experience.

Our business meeting did not rise to that level of hilarity even though there was beer involved. Tom and Kurt did an excellent job of explaining the history of the Reeves association. Where we have been and where we hope to be in the future. Tom explained the criteria that is used when picking a site for the reunions which included city size, airport availability, reasonable hotel prices, food, parking, airport shuttles, and nearby attractions. Planning committees, website improvement and help for the Baileys were all discussed. Tom and Mary Bailey put a huge amount of time and energy into the planning and execution of the reunions.

The final event of course was the evening banquet. Our banquet room was on the fourth floor with the entire west side a wall of glass looking out on the mountains. A local high school has a junior NROTC program, and they supplied a color guard and side boys for the event. Our speaker was Captain Dave "Roy" Rogers, a retired naval aviator. He was piped aboard by Kurt Stuvengen using Kurt's father's bosun's pipe. Prior to the dinner a missing man ceremony and the poem "In Waters Deep" was read by Kurt. He also presided over the 2-Bell ceremony, reading the list honoring the 22 shipmates who have died since our last reunion.

The meal was excellent, each table had a cadet from the junior NROTC group so they could interact with a bunch of old salts. Not sure if they gained anything from us, but it was gratifying to see such squared away young people and hear their plans for the future. Captain Rogers was an excellent speaker who had once been pulled from the ocean by the Reeves after he had crashed on takeoff from the Midway. He also tied in the Reeves with other operations during his and Reeves deployments. A very humorous story about his father working in the laundry on an aircraft carrier was very entertaining. I won't go into details on it but if you are in contact with any reunion attendees get them to tell you the story.

We retired to the hospitality room after the banquet for the raffle, and to finish any sea stories that were interrupted. Another great reunion in the books and we all look forward to 2023. Fair winds and following seas shipmates.

### Financials

**Income**

Current Checking           \$9864.90

Current Savings           \$5855.80

Note: All reunion invoices are not yet settled

### Letter to the Editor (cont)

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Eagle Claw was, to 2021 and the disaster the Afghanistan Withdraw is. The ROTC Honor Guard, the Patriotic remembrance of our departed shipmates and honoring our Flag, are more meaningful now with age . It was great seeing my shipmates Jeff Wofford and Bob Van Der Kamp and gives me hope our USN and country can right the Ship of State.  
Brian Campbell

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Tom,

I know I must be one of the ones that thinks about sending a note about how great the Reeves Reunion was and then waits until the last minute to send it. Crazy times we are in.

Seriously Tom, You and your beautiful wife Mary, planned and executed a fabulous event for all of our shipmates. Outstanding doesn't do it justice. A salute to you both and the many other minions you have behind the scenes.

The place of the event was a big question in my mind initially, Why Colorado Springs??? but then I just wanted to see and hang out with guys from 70-72 when I was onboard her. So it didn't matter. I must admit now, Colorado Springs is a great place, our hotel was the perfect setting with everything close at hand and the accommodations were very good! It was indeed a great place and a great time with everyone.

**Charitable/Educational Objectives**

The USS Reeves Association is an educational, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization registered with the Internal Revenue Service, FEIN 86-1163983. For that purpose at the 2010 business meeting, it was recommended that future excess funds be used for donations and scholarships as determined at business meetings starting in 2012.

The planning and personal attention made us feel welcome and inviting to attend everything spending time with old shipmates and meeting new shipmates without any boundaries and a clear merger of DLG24/CG24 crews, we are all shipmates and brothers of The USS Reeves. That was a welcome and nice touch.

One of the more special parts of the reunion, was our dinner. Tom and Mary, you both are to be congratulated on a wonderful evening of the Cadets starting things off, the joy, laughter and even a few tears during the ceremonies.. 2 bells and the Empty Table. Our guest, David "Roy" Rogers, Wow did he ever hit it out of the park! Dynamic speaker...

### Shift Colors

To receive the Navy's Shift Colors newsletter via email send the following information to [Mill\\_ShiftColors@navy.mil](mailto:Mill_ShiftColors@navy.mil) -- First name; Last name; E-mail address; Title (Mr., Mrs., rank, etc.); and Military affiliation (retiree, surviving spouse, veteran, other). There is no longer any funding for hard copies to be printed and mailed. To receive Shift Colors it does not matter whether or not you're retired, active duty, a veteran, a surviving spouse, or just someone who's interested in receiving the newsletter.

Debbie and I are anxiously waiting the new location for the next Reeves Reunion.

Well done Shipmate (and Mary).  
Gary and Debbie Hinthorne, IC2 (PreCom Detail 70-72)  
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**Photo Links**

Here are the links to the photos that Shipmate Brian Campbell took at the reunion

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/sVABxA9NzkEat68C7>

In addition, here is a link from Brian for the photos taken during Admiral Ming Chang's Funeral in 2018. Admiral Chang was CO of the USS Reeves 1977-79

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/6VRSfffsYLHGY7Jq9>

# Ship's Store

<p><b>Photo #1 1967 11" x 17" \$10 + s/h</b></p> 	<p><b>Embroidered Golf Shirt \$20 + s/h 2X and 3X add \$2.00</b></p> 	<p><b>Reeves HD Vinyl Banner, 30"x48" \$30. Each + \$14. s/h</b></p> 
<p><b>Photo#2 1972 11" x 17" \$10 + s/h</b></p> 	<p><b>Embroidered T-Shirt \$15 + s/h 2X and 3X add \$2.00</b></p> 	<p><b>Reeves 2" custom acrylic coated Challenge Coins \$14. ea +\$3.50 s/h for 1<sup>st</sup> coin &amp; \$.1.00 ea for extras. Limit 3 coins</b></p> 
<p><b>Photo#3 1986 11" x 17" \$10 + s/h</b></p> 	<p><b>DLG or CG Ball Caps \$12 + s/h</b></p> 	<p><b>Pens and 2 1/2" DLG or CG Vinyl Stickers *</b></p> 

## USS Reeves Association Ship's Store Order Form

Item	Description / Size	Qty	Price	Shipping Handling	Total
<b>Photos</b>	Specify Photo# 1, 2, or 3			\$2.00 each	
<b>Ball Cap</b>	Specify DLG or CG			\$5.00 each	
<b>Vinyl Banners</b>				\$14.00 each	
<b>Challenge Coins</b>	Limit of three			\$3.50 /1 .00 for addl	
<b>Golf Shirt</b>	Sizes run large			\$6.00 each	
<b>T-Shirt</b>	Sizes run large			\$6.00 each	
<b>Ball point pens</b>				\$1.00 each	
<b>Vinyl Stickers</b>	*Specify DLG or CG			\$1.00 each	
				<b>Total</b>	

**\*Pens and stickers are available only with other items purchased**

Shipping is via USPS Priority.  
**Checks Only**, please make payable to:

Kurt Stuvengen  
 410 E. Spring St  
 Orfordville, WI 53576  
 Cell: (608) 921-558

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City / State / Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ships Store Update

Well Shipmates another successful reunion is in the books. It seemed that a great time was had by all the crew and significant others that attended. A big shout out and thank you to my wife Fumiyo, Mary Bailey and Gerry Hines for all the assistance in running the store during the reunion.

The Ship's Store has been inventoried, restowed, new stock ordered and ready for mail in orders once again. We did a banner job of selling items at the reunion to the tune of over \$800 in sales. Shirts, hats and challenge coins seem to be the more popular items. The banners seemed to run a close second.

New this year were 2 ½" round stickers of both the DLG and CG crests. We also have Reeves ball point pens that will be available as well. These items will be priced at \$1.00 ea but due to shipping costs will only be available when ordering something else i.e., shirt, hat, etc.

The newsletter order form will be updated in the near future to reflect these new items. Also, postage has gone up again. I'm still in the process of working with the post office comparing our existing S/H fees. Most items should be okay for now but shipping might need to increase on a couple of items.

The three photos we have available are being cleaned up via computer. They should be a lot better copy once completed and all ready to be framed and hung on your "I Love Me" wall.

The holiday season will be here before we know it. Check out the Reeves Ship's Store for gift ideas, circle it on the order form and leave it in a conspicuous place for your spouse to find.

It was great seeing everyone and meeting up with old and new Shipmates. I'm already looking forward to the next reunion in 2023!

Stu

## Dodging Shot Lines By: Garland Davis as told by Kurt Stuvengen

While serving in USS Reeves CG-24 as a BT2, BTCS Vernon Bertelson arranged for me to be assigned as topside phone talker at the forward fueling station for underway refueling operations. This was my station until I made First Class and was then relegated to the pit.

During this period, we usually refueled from one of the Military Sealift Command tankers operating out of Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines. The tankers Hassayampa, Passumpsic, Misspillion, and Ponchatoula were the Subic based oilers. The civilian crews of these ships were always practical and professional during refueling operations.

We were to refuel from the stateside based USS Kansas City a Navy crewed Oiler and stores ship. I am convinced to this day that I narrowly missed being injured or possibly killed by sailor from that ship.

When the receiving ship comes alongside a tanker or stores ship, the supply ship normally shoots a messenger line to the receiving ship. This line is used to pull ever greater lines over until the fueling rig can be connected. When the word was passed to "Stand by for shot lines fore and aft," I usually just crouched down behind the fueling sponson. The MSC ships shot well over the foc'sle and ASROC launcher.

After we came alongside Kansas City and the word was passed, I ducked behind the sponson and waited for the shot line to be fired. I peeked over the fuel line and suddenly realized that the fucking Gunner's Mate was aiming directly at me and fired as I raised my head. I quickly imitated a turtle and jerked my head behind the sponson as the shot line weight passed through the area where my head had been and slammed into the bulkhead. My quick reaction was the only thing that prevented the black mark on the bulkhead from ending up on my head.

To this day, I cannot wrap my head around the reason a sailor would deliberately try to injure a fellow sailor with a potentially deadly projectile fired from a rifle. Later, I was told that in the apparently less professional stateside fleet that the Gunner's Mates awarded each other points for hitting someone on the receiving ship with the shot line projectile.

After that incident, I always logged off and went to cover when the shot lines were flying regardless of what ship we were replenishing from.

## Making our Mark

While in Colorado Springs, a group of us went out to Krabby's, a local Cajun restaurant, for dinner on Saturday evening. This place could have made it onto Diners, Drive-ins, and Dives TV Program..... but likely would have been classified in the Dives category. It was not very trendy, but the food was excellent and the staff was fun. The little store-front restaurant was located close to the north gate of Fort Carson and was obviously a local choice of the many Army families living in the area. The place was really busy, so all seven of us sat at the bar. The waitress/barmaid, who we guessed was probably also the owner, was very friendly and efficient. A closer look also revealed that she was armed with a semi-automatic pistol behind her apron. Gotta love Colorado! At any rate we noticed a camo covered bulletin board on the wall with shoulder patches from 14 different Army activities at Carson. There was no Navy Blue on that board, so our shipmate Charlie Suckow decided to ask the owner if we could add a little Navy to the Army's game board. She agreed and Charlie decapitated his reunion ball cap for just the message we wanted to leave. So, thanks to Charlie, USS Reeves was able to leave its mark on Army turf.



## Photo Links

Tom Bailey is adding reunion photos to our website: [www.ussreeves.net](http://www.ussreeves.net)

## Two Bell Ceremony

During the reunion banquet on Sunday evening September 26th, the Association held a traditional ceremony to recognize those Reeves shipmates that have passed since our last reunion. The ceremony was very professionally conducted by Kurt Stuvengen and Gerry Hines. It was very touching, to say the least. The list of our departed shipmates that were honored in the ceremony follows on Page 10. Eileen Mahoney's Poem, "In Waters Deep", was also read as part of the ceremony, and we thought many of you would appreciate a copy of the poem. It's on Page 11.

USS Reeves (DLG-24/CG-24)  
2021 Two-Bell Ceremony Honorees

**MM1 Tim Tiedka (Reeves 88-92)**

**GMMCS Dal Ringler USN (Ret) (79-82)**

**MR3 James Ridder (71-72)**

**RMC Robert Anthony Smith USN (Ret)**

**YN2 Tim McKay (70-72)**

**RADM Thomas Dean Paulson USN (Ret) / XO 72-74.**

**LCDR Robert Michael Nazak USN (Ret)**

**MM1 Gary D Coakley USN (RET)**

**ETSN Victor Maxwell (71-74)**

**MR3 James P Ridder (71-72)**

**CW02 Floyd Chapman**

**LTjg Neil E. Simpson (64-66)**

**FC1 Jeffrey Pelotte (87-90)**

**FCC Steven Keller (89-93)**

**FCC Mark Dewey (89-92)**

**QMC Robert Ewing**

**BTCS Mark Manis**

**CDR Frank Murphy (90-91) XO**

**MMC Cecil (Jack) Stewart**

**GMC (SW) Don Hageman (87-90)**

**OS2 (SW) Jason Anderson**

**CW04 George Evans USN (Ret)**

## **IN WATERS DEEP**

**In ocean wastes no poppies blow,  
No crosses stand in ordered row,  
There young hearts sleep... beneath the wave...  
The spirited, the good, the brave,  
But stars a constant vigil keep,  
For them who lie beneath the deep.  
'Tis true you cannot kneel in prayer  
On certain spot and think. "He's there."  
But you can to the ocean go...  
See whitecaps marching row on row;  
Know one for him will always ride...  
In and out... with every tide.  
And when your span of life is passed,  
He'll meet you at the "Captain's Mast."  
And they who mourn on distant shore  
For sailors who'll come home no more,  
Can dry their tears and pray for these  
Who rest beneath the heaving seas...  
For stars that shine and winds that blow  
And whitecaps marching row on row.  
And they can never lonely be  
For when they lived... they chose the sea.**

***On the 100th anniversary of the Armistice of WW1, Eileen Mahoney's poem In Waters Deep, conveys the loss of so many sailors killed during the conflict***

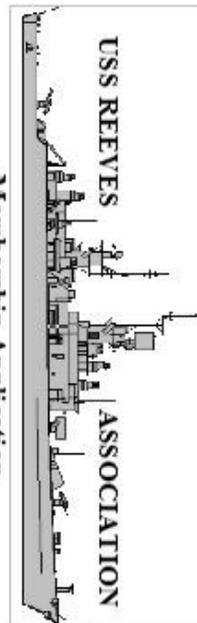
***The merchant seafarers and fisherman who kept Britain supplied lost 14,661 seafarers during WW1. The Royal Navy suffered even greater losses in WW1, with an estimated 44,000 seamen and women killed. Some 6,000 died at the Battle of Jutland in 1915, alone***



First Class Postage

USS Reeves Association  
1154 S Greenway Ave  
Pueblo West, CO 81007-1745  
<http://www.ussreeves.net>

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



Membership Application

Name

StreetAddress 1

StreetAddress 2

City/State/Zip

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Email Address

I served on the USS REEVES (DLG-24/CG-24) as a \_\_\_\_\_ (rate/rank) from 19\_\_\_\_ to 19\_\_\_\_.

Membership in the Association includes the right to vote and hold elective office. It also includes receiving a newsletter, email updates and further privileges as to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Dues Per Year: \$20.00

I also wish to support the goals of the Association which is the building of a membership that will increase interest in bi-annual reunions, as well as the establishment of a newsletter and other means of communicating our activities with all Reeves shipmates. I am making an additional donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

I enclose my check or money order in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.  
I am interested in helping the Association grow and become successful. I wish to serve on a committee, provide other assistance or have an interest as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Mail application to:

USS REEVES (DLG24/CG-24) ASSOCIATION  
Tom Bailey, President  
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