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USS HALYBURTON (FFG 40)

Guided Missile Frigate

Homeport: Mayport, FL

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USS HALYBURTON (FFG-40) is the thirty-fourth ship of the Oliver Hazard Perry class of guided missile frigates. Built by Todd Shipyard Corporation in Seattle, Washington, HALYBURTON is homeported in Mayport, Florida, and is assigned to Destroyer Squadron Fourteen. Surpassing 21 years of commissioned service, USS HALYBURTON continues to provide invaluable service to the fleet.

HALYBURTON is a multi-mission platform capable of performing a variety of roles ranging from Counter Narcotics-Terrorism Operations, Maritime Interdiction Operations and convoy escort as well as Air, Surface and Undersea Warfare. HALYBURTON is capable of embarking two LAMPS MK III Seahawk helicopters, which enhance all warfare capabilities and are designed to meet today's ever-changing environments.

HALYBURTON utilizes two LM2500 gas turbine engines (the same engines as those installed in DC-10 aircraft) capable of sustaining speeds in excess of 28 knots and controlled by state-of-the-art computers resulting in a "ready to go" status in less than 10 minutes. The real heart of the ship's fighting spirit is her crew. High technology systems demand skilled technicians and professional leadership. HALYBURTON can meet the 21st Century challenges of modern naval warfare with approximately half the crew as older warships.

HALYBURTON is named for the late Pharmacist's Mate Second Class William David Halyburton, Jr., USN, a native of Canton, North Carolina. For extraordinary heroism while serving on Okinawa with the Marine Rifle Company, Second Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division, he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor. It was on May 10, 1945, undaunted by the deadly accuracy of enemy counter fire as his unit pushed the attack through a strategically important draw that Halyburton unhesitatingly dashed across the draw and up the hill into an open, fire swept field where the company advance squad was suddenly pinned down under a terrific concentration of mortar, machine gun and sniper fire with resultant severe casualties. Placing himself in the direct line of fire, he shielded a fallen fighter with his own body and staunchly continued his ministrations although constantly menaced by the slashing fury of shrapnel and bullets falling on all sides. Alert, determined, and completely unselfish in his concern for the helpless Marine, he persevered in his efforts until he, himself, sustained mortal wounds and collapsed, heroically sacrificing himself so his comrade might live.

Also named in Halyburton's honor are a road at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, Halyburton Quarters at the Naval Station in Charleston, South Carolina, Halyburton Barracks at the Naval Aerospace Medical Center in Pensacola, Florida and Halyburton Memorial Park in Wilmington, North Carolina.

SHIP'S SPECIFICATIONS:

GENERAL

Length - 453 feet
Beam (Maximum)- 47 feet
Speed: 28 knots
Draft (Navigational)- 24.6 feet
Displacement- 4,100 tons full load
Complement- 28 Officer/215 Enlisted

SENSORS

AN/SQS-56 Digital Sonar
AN/SPS-49 Radar
AN/SPS-55 Radar
AN/SLQ-32 Countermeasures Receiving Set
MK92 MOD 2 Fire Control System
3 UYK-7 computers which integrate all weapons and sensors

WEAPONS

MK 75 76mm/62 caliber rapid firing gun
MK 32 ASW torpedo tubes (two triple mounts)
Phalanx CIWS

AIRCRAFT

2 LAMPS MK III Seahawk Helicopters

ENGINEERING

Propulsion: 2 General Electric LM2500 Gas Turbines
Electrical: 4 Caterpillar Diesel Generators
2 Auxiliary Propulsion Units
Services:

Keel Laid: September 26, 1980

Launched: October 13, 1981

Commissioned: January 7, 1984