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Commissioned November 4 1944
Decommissioned—September 27 1972



Compton returns home to Newport

Compton Corner:

Pensacola, Florida, a must do, on your bucket list.

Situated on the Florida panhandle, the Pensacola Bay area is known for its historic charm, gorgeous beaches, award winning tours and abundant wildlife.

Pensacola beach is famous for its sugar white sand and emerald, green waters. You can enjoy fresh gulf seafood or sip a bushwhacker while watching a breath-taking sunset.

Over five hundred years of history are here to explore. If you enjoy history, you do not want to miss this reunion. There is lots to see and do. Come early and stay a extra day.

I believe you will find Pensacola; Florida is truly a rare destination that you will remember forever.

Fraternally Yours,

Bob DiMonte



The “Compton Newsletter” is available in color—on our below WEB site Webmaster, Phil Prekel has posted 56 past newsletters from February 2009 to the present on our below listed Internet Website...

WEB SITE: www.usscompton705.com

Pensacola Florida Reunion

1. A beautiful place to be with your fellow Compton shipmates.
2. Listed as some of the most beautiful beaches in the world, Bring your binoculars as we did at Cannes, France. Don't forget your heart medicine and permission slip.
3. Day one greetings and special evening buffet sponsored by our Compton Association to welcome us back together again!!!
4. Smorgasbord at the DiMonte Farmstead on Wednesday—free golf cart rides from Uber Bob—tipping is not restricted.
5. Watch the skies as the Blue Angels may be practicing—Pensacola is their home.



6. The tour of Pensacola has something for everyone. A view of Pensacola Pass, from historic Fort Barrancas to the National Aviation Museum. Then onto Beautiful Pensacola Beach where we will have lunch, overlooking the Gulf of Mexico. After lunch, we will visit Historic Pensacola Village. This tour has been customized for our group and I am sure you will enjoy and remember it.

If unlucky—when you are at the farmstead you will be invited on a special tour of the DiMonte farms chicken section by new Master Farmer Admiral Bob—a honor graduate of Kornel Sandy's Special Chicken School.

Please note below—a recent purchase of his special breeding Texas “hens” !!! Kornel Sandy assured student Bob that with the new government laws a male is not required...He named them Poss and Um.



Special Breeder Hens

Uber Mobile



USS Compton DD705—2023 Pensacola Reunion Agenda

Monday, May 1 1200 Hospitality room opens
1800-1930 Welcome aboard
and complimentary buffet

Tuesday May2 0815 meet in the lobby for tour
0830 bus departs for tour, returns at 1630

Wednesday May3 1000 Business meeting

Lunch at Rose Cottage Farm (hosted by the DiMonte family)
Transportation is not provided

1800-1900 Cocktail hour
1900 Group Picture

Invocation and Presentation of the colors
Dinner and entertainment

Thursday Breakfast and have a safe trip home

Be safe and healthy, See you next year.

For our **opening reception buffet** (hosted by the association) we will have:
A West Florida style barbecue, Monday, May 1 at 1800-1930

BBQ Chicken, BBQ Ribs, Southern Fried Fish, tossed salad w/assorted dressings, marinated summer pasta salad, cole slaw, baked beans, corn on the cob, rolls, choice of desserts and ice tea.

Fellow Compton sailors: please send me your pictures from your days on our ship.
I promise to send them back the very next day, after I receive those special memories.

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Compton Donations—October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
Paul Meyer, Edward Pasi, Al Haley

USS COMPTON DD-705

May 1-4, 2023 Annual Reunion Registration Form
Holiday Inn, Pensacola University
7813 N. Davis Hwy
Pensacola, Florida 32514
(850) 472-1400

The Compton rate (\$154) will be honored 3 days pre/post reunion dates
Breakfast is included

Hotel registration cut off date : April 1, 2023

Members name: Rank/Rate _____

Spouse /Guest Name _____
Use back of sheet for additional guests

Number attending opening buffet dinner (complementary) _____
Number attending Banquet @ \$55 each _____
Number taking tour (lunch Included) @\$75 each _____

Total amount _____

Please mail check and this form to:

USS Compton Association
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For our Banquet dinner we will have a **Florida style Luau Buffet.**

Fresh sliced displayed of fruits, garden salad, with assorted dressings, tropical seafood salad, with pasta, savory rice pilaf, sautéed medley of vegetables, rolls and butter.
Chef's choice of dessert and iced tea.

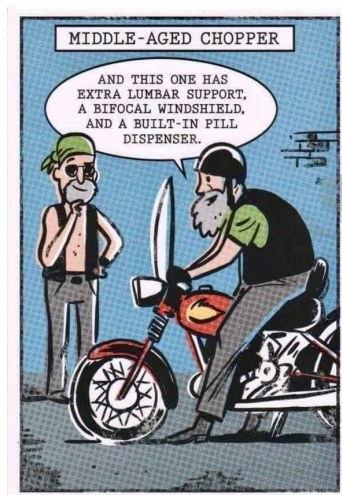
Grilled Mahi Mahi, with mango salsa
Marinated Island style Pork Loin, with tropical BBQ sauce.

Internet Goodies

I see people my age out there climbing mountains and zip lining and here I am feeling good about myself because I got my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.

It's WEIRD BEING THE SAME AGE AS OLD PEOPLE.

GoodLivingGuide.com



IF I OFFERED YOU \$100,000 TO JUMP FROM A PLANE WITHOUT PARACHUTE, WOULD YOU DO IT?... **I BET YOU WOULD SAY NO!** BUT WHAT IF I TOLD YOU THAT THE PLANE WAS ON THE GROUND?

MORAL OF THE STORY: **KNOW ALL THE FACTS BEFORE YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTH.**

Annual USS Compton Association dues are \$20.00 per year. If you received an envelope with this newsletter - the dues are due now or will be due within a short period of time...look for the hand written date on your address label. This is the date when your membership has expired or will soon expire...



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Hi, I would like to communicate with anyone who made the 1965 St. Lawrence Seaway Cruise.

Obituaries: USS Compton DD705



Charles E Turner EU3 (1960-1961) he was born January 21, 1939 in Curtis, Nebraska . At 17 years of age Charles joined the United States Navy and proudly served on the USS Yosemite, USS Dewey and the USS Compton. After his military service, he began a Surveyor and worked on major projects all over the United States. They include the Eisenhower Tunnel and the Denver International Airport. Charles passed on October 21, 2021 at the age of 82 and is interred at the Omaha National Cemetery,



Paul Flynn SNSM (1946-1947) from Winthrop MA served on the USS Compton in 1946—1947. Born July 7, 1927 in Cambridge MA and passed on December 14, 2022 in Winthrop. After his US Navy service Paul joined the US Merchant Service from 1952 to 1957. He joined the Boston Fire Department for 35 years and then retired as a lieutenant from Ladder One. Rest in Peace Paul for your many years of service to your country and community.



Joseph Roy (circa 1960's) born November 11, 1941 and passed February 10, 2021 at the age of 79 years. Mr. Roy was a life long resident of Wareham MA. Joseph was a well known auto body technician in the Wareham area. His service time on the Compton was around the early 1960's. This information was generated from a "Goggle—Compton—Obituary" search and he was not a member of the Compton Association but he was a Compton sailor. RIP Joe...



USS Intrepid CV11
Burial at sea 1944 after a Kamikaze attack



From the DD 705 to CV11
RIP brave sailors