



# USS Canberra

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## Members of the Crew



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## Reunion News

**We are looking at a 2022 Reunion, but, as yet, it has not been finalized.**

Because of the Covid spike after our 2021 reunion in Pittsburgh, it was thought it would be best if we waited a while before thinking about setting up a 2022 reunion.

That spike in the Covid cases made it seem like a good idea at the time.

That, coupled with some personal medical problems, had us putting off setting the reunion up longer than expected.

When we finally decided we wanted to have the reunion, the company that normally sets them up for us didn't offer reunions where we wanted to go. Therefore, us amateurs thought we would have a go at setting this one up. One of the sites we looked at could not offer things we needed. We are now working on the second site.

We didn't realize all of the problems that could or would arise with setting one up by ourselves.

Those, and the way things are happening in the world right now, are some of the reasons this Newsletter is going out to you late.

**If we are successful in getting a reunion finalized, you will receive another newsletter in about one month.**

If you do not receive another newsletter, you will know that we were not successful in getting it set up and we will not have a reunion until 2023.

Updates will be put on the website Log Book Page ([www.usscanberra.com](http://www.usscanberra.com))

## \*\*\*ATTENTION PLEASE\*\*\*

### Dues

Membership dues in the amount of \$25 are now due for 2022 (1 January through 31 December).

**Please mail your dues to:**

USS Canberra Reunion Association, Ltd.  
c/o Bob Tylinski  
5117 E. 70th Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46220

**Please make your check out to:**

USS Canberra Reunion Association, Ltd.

**Please check the Address label on this newsletter.**

**If there is an \*\*\* after your last name, your dues are not up to date according to our records (dues not received as of 03/15/2022).**

**If you feel there is an error as to when your dues expired, please contact Ken Minick at the address, phone number or e-mail address listed above in the Masthead of the Newsletter or Bob Tylinski at the address above.**

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## Navy Accepts Delivery of Future USS Canberra (LCS 30)

### By PEO Unmanned and Small Combatants (PEO USC) Public Affairs

MOBILE, Ala. – The Navy accepted delivery of the future USS Canberra (LCS 30) on Dec. 21, 2021 at Austal USA in Mobile.

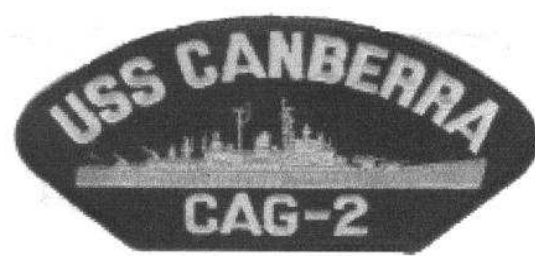
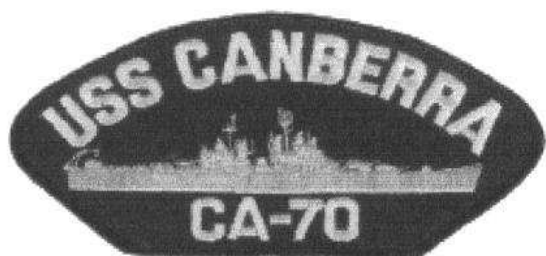
Canberra is the second ship to honor the loss of the Australian cruiser HMAS Canberra during the Battle of Savo Island in World War II, and is the 15th Independence-variant LCS and the 26th LCS to join the Fleet.

Canberra completed Acceptance Trials with the Board of Inspection and Survey in November, the final milestone prior to her official transfer from the shipbuilder, Austal USA, to the Navy.

Commissioning, which is the act of placing a warship into active Navy service, is planned for the summer of 2022.

**Editor's Note:** The time and place of the Commissioning had not been set when the newsletter went to press. Check the website Log Book Page for updates ([www.usscanberra.com](http://www.usscanberra.com)).

## Ship's Silhouette Hats



We have Ship's Silhouette Hats in stock. The cost for each hat will be \$22.00 including priority mail postage. The hat is available in Navy Blue and Summer White in the CA-70 version. The CAG-2 version hats are available in Navy Blue, Summer White or Scarlet.

If you are interested in purchasing one or more of these hats, you can contact Ken via mail, e-mail or telephone.

# The Supreme Commander

Following are names of **USS Canberra Shipmates** that have met the **Supreme Commander**.

| <u>Shipmate</u>                  | <u>Ship</u> | <u>Div</u> | <u>Aboard</u> | <u>Died</u> |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| <b>Sauber</b> , Herbert I.       | CA-70       | H          | 1945          | 2020        |
| <b>Maslak</b> , Joseph J.        | CA-70       | N          | 43-45         | 2021        |
| <b>Clark</b> , Roy A.            | CAG-2       | OR         | 63-65         | 2021        |
| <b>Hammond</b> , Raymond G., Jr. | CAG-2       |            |               | 2021        |
| <b>Manduca</b> , Theodore W.     | CAG-2       | Ops Off    | 66-68         | 2021        |
| <b>Miller</b> , Benjamin H.      | CAG-2       |            |               | 2021        |
| <b>Boerner</b> , Ernest C.       | CAG-2       | OI         | 56-57         | 2022        |
| <b>Kerka</b> , Stanley M.        | CAG-2       | S          | 56-57         | 2022        |
| <b>Lasher</b> , Jay D, MD        | CAG-2       | H          | 56-58         | 2022        |
| <b>Merola</b> , Dominic          | CAG-2       | OI         |               | 2022        |
| <b>Pasternak</b> , Casimir J.    | G2/70       | A          | 66-69         | 2022        |
| <b>Shipp</b> , Clyde D.          | CAG-2       |            |               | 2022        |
| <b>Woods</b> , Michael J.        | CAG-2       | X          | 66-67         | 2022        |

## Found Shipmate

Below is a **USS Canberra Shipmate** who was found since the Winter 2021 Newsletter was published. If you want to contact him, let Ken know.

| <u>Shipmate</u>           | <u>Ship</u> | <u>Div</u> | <u>Aboard</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| <b>Warren</b> , Ferrel D. | CAG-2       | M          | 63-65         |

