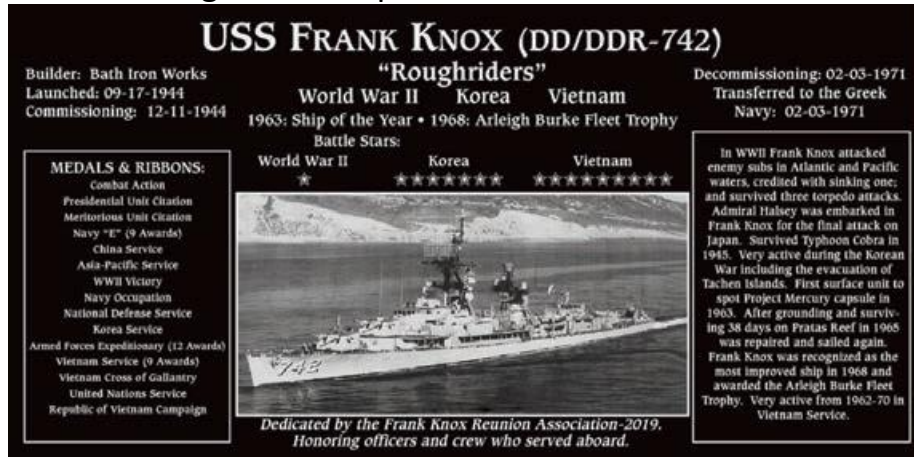


The 75th Anniversary PLAQUE DEDICATION – USS Frank Knox was a well-built ship, the first of a new, improved class of destroyers. Launched in Bath ME before a huge crowd September 17, 1944 she was commissioned at Boston Naval Yard, Boston MA December 11, 1944 when the first men swarmed aboard her and brought “the ship to life.” And what a life it was!!



The Frank Knox was continuously staffed by an extraordinary crew of officers, Chiefs and sailors that created an enviable record that very few ships can approach or match. A record of awards and history is on the plaque to be dedicated in San Diego, at MT Soledad National Veterans Memorial on September 20, 2019.

The Frank Knox had several nick-names during her 46-year career - “Fighting Frankie K”, “Swankie Frankie”, “Frankie Maru”, “Knox Maru” and “the Grey Lady”. *If you know of a name not listed here please contact Harry Chandler or Steve Cross and let us record your crew’s name for our ship*