



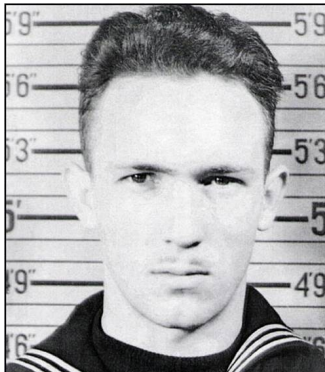
William Murray Chewning

William was born on October 22, 1919 in Marblehead, Massachusetts. Although he spent most of his young life in Marblehead and eventually married a young lady from there, he attended Thomas Jefferson High School in Alexandria, VA., a private institution.

In July of 1938 William entered the United States Naval Academy, where for four years he specialized in Football and Boxing.

After graduating, he reported to the 1st Naval District and then on January 4, 1942, he reported aboard the USS Sampson (DD-394) which left immediately for the Coco Solo, Panama Canal Zone. When they arrived, they assisted in the search for the S-26 (SS-131) which had sunk with 46 men aboard after being rammed by the Submarine Chaser, Sturdy.

USS Sampson continued to patrol out of Balboa along the east coast of the South America. On October 1, 1942, William was advanced to Lt(jg) and was then transferred to Submarine School on February 27, 1943. At some point between reporting to Submarine School and Reporting to the USS Corvina, William married a girl from his home town, Betsy S. Johnson. They had only a short time together before William departed on Corvina's first war patrol.



James Golden Clark, Jr.

James was born on January 8, 1920, in El Paso, Texas, to James Golden and Lucy Antoinette Clark. The family moved to Wichita Falls, Texas, shortly after his birth. There a brother Frank Allen was born in 1925. They moved to Los Angeles by 1930, where his brother Bobby was born in 1934.

1941 was an important year for James. First he married Sarah Ann Harris and then on September 16th joined the Navy. His son Ernest Carl was then born on February 1, 1942.

It appears from the records that James made Ship's Cook Second Class while assigned to shore duty because his first sea duty assignment was to USS Corvina on August 6, 1943.

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Glenn Riley Curtiss

According to the birth records Glenn Riley Curtiss was born on August 25, 1914, in Kewanee, Missouri to Riley and Mary Curtiss. Glenn's parents must have passed away when he was young because by the 1930 census he was living with his uncle, Alfred Curtiss in Arkansas. From then on Alfred was listed as his next of kin.

Glenn joined the Navy on May 8, 1941 through Batesville, Arkansas. After training he reported to the USS Pensacola, CA-24, a light cruiser, on October 10 and they left with a convoy from Pearl Harbor on November 29. After the attack on Pearl Harbor they were diverted to Australia, entering Brisbane on December 22nd. She joined Task Force 11 and patrolled the South Pacific and Coral Sea with USS Lexington and later USS Yorktown and USS Enterprise. It was during this patrol period that Glenn was advanced to F3c on February 1, 1942.



The USS Pensacola returned to Pearl Harbor with the USS Enterprise in May and then after refueling and taking on stores set sail with the USS Enterprise again and headed to meet the Japanese Fleet at the Battle of Midway. She acted as a screen for the USS Enterprise until the USS Yorktown was hit by torpedoes. She then acted as a close in screen for Yorktown.

When USS Pensacola returned to Pearl Harbor with the battlegroup, Glenn was transferred to SubSchool on June 15, 1942. After graduating from SubSchool, New London, He reported to Sub-Ron3 in Coco Solo, Panama on Christmas Day 1942 and to the USS S-11 (SS-116) on January 4, 1943. He served aboard until he received a billet for school, I assume it was MM A school.



In September of 1943, after finishing his school and advancing to MM3, he was given orders to new construction and was received onboard USS Corvina on August 6, 1943.

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