

1941 UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE 1945

Dedicated to the 6795 Merchant Mariners who unselfishly gave their lives aboard ships that were sunk by the enemy during World War II, and to the 1810 men of the U.S. Navy Armed Guard who lost their lives in defending these merchant ships. Over 1500 ships were sunk and the Merchant Mariners suffered the highest casualty rate of any Branch of Service.

Without regard for personal safety, these brave Merchant Mariners, who were all volunteers, performed the duties required in the transporting of the Armed Forces and supplies to all the theatres of action, making a monumental contribution to the ultimate Allied victory in World War II.

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The Vulcan Chapter of
The American Merchant Marine Veterans