



Did You Know?



The Mustin Family

Last month's "Did You Know" addressed ships that were named for individual members of Army Navy Country Club. Did you know that a United States Navy ship was named for a family of Naval Officers who have a strong tie to ANCC?

The Mustin Family

USS Mustin (DDG 89) is named to honor the Mustin family who have recorded a rich and honorable tradition of naval service. The Mustin's legacy to the Navy service has lasted from 1896 until the present; over one century of naval history.

Captain Henry C. Mustin, U.S. Navy, (1874-1923) was an 1896 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He earned a commendation for distinguished service in the capture of Vigan, Philippines, in 1899. CAPT Mustin also flew the first aircraft ever catapulted from a ship, the first operational missions of naval aircraft during the Vera Cruz action in 1914, and was the first commander of Aircraft Squadrons, Battle Fleet. He designed the insignia worn by U.S. Naval Aviators.



Captain Henry C. Mustin's son, **Vice Admiral Lloyd Mustin**, (1911-1999), was a 1932 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy who took part in developing the Navy's first lead-computing antiaircraft gun sight. This proved of major importance in the air-sea actions of World War II. VADM Mustin served on the cruiser USS Atlanta (CL 51) during the naval battle of Guadalcanal. His ship was lost, but he and other survivors landed on Guadalcanal and served ashore with a naval unit attached to the First Marine Division. His post war service included commands at sea and development and evaluation of weapon systems. VADM Mustin later served as director of operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Vice Admiral Mustin's two sons, retired Navy **Vice Admiral Henry C. Mustin**, and **Lieutenant Commander Thomas M. Mustin** continued their family's legacy of service. Vice Admiral Mustin, a 1955 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, was a decorated Vietnam veteran who served in the 1980's as the Naval Inspector General, Commander Second Fleet, and Deputy

Chief of Naval Operations for Plans and Policy. Lieutenant Commander Mustin, a 1962 Naval Academy Graduate, earned a Bronze Star during the Vietnam conflict for river patrol combat action.”¹

ANCC Connection. Three of the four Mustins for whom the ship was named have ANCC connections:

CAPT Henry C. Mustin, USN – Passed Away Prior to the Club’s founding.

VADM Lloyd M. Mustin, USN – ANCC Member 1932-1994

VADM Henry C. Mustin, USN – ANCC Member 1955-2016

LCDR Thomas M. Mustin, USN – ANCC Junior Member starting in 1946. Apparently never applied for full membership.

The Tradition Continues. The Navy-ANCC connection has continued beyond those mentioned above with the following Mustin family members:

CAPT Lloyd M. Mustin II, USN (ret.) (son of VADM Henry C.) joined ANCC February 1983

RDML John Mustin (son of VADM Henry C.) joined ANCC in 1990

LT Lloyd M. Mustin III (son of Lloyd M. II) joined ANCC August 2008

USS Mustin (DDG-89)

- Arleigh Burke Class Guided Missile Destroyer
- Commissioned July 2003
- Homeport: Yokosuka, Japan



The First USS Mustin (DD 413). DDG 89 is the second US Navy ship to bear the name USS Mustin. The first was a *Sims*-class destroyer named for CAPT Henry C. Mustin. DD 413 was in commission from 1939 to 1946 and saw significant action in the Pacific during World War II.



¹ <https://www.public.navy.mil/surfor/ddg89/Pages/namesake.aspx>