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USS BULKELEY (DDG 84)

Honoring a U.S. Navy Legend



JOHN D. BULKELEY'S SERVICE

JUNE 1933 - Graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy.

DECEMBER 1941 - Skillfully led Motor Torpedo Boat Squadron 3 in combat operations near the Philippines, damaging or destroying numerous enemy planes and ships.

MARCH 1942 - Broke through Japanese lines, evacuating General Douglas MacArthur and Philippine President Quezon to the southern Philippines.
•Awarded the Medal of Honor, the Navy Cross, the Army Distinguished Service Cross, the Army Silver Star Medal, the Army Distinguished Unit Badge, and the Republic of the Philippines Distinguished Conduct Star.

MAY 1944 - Transferred to Patrol Torpedo Boat Squadron 102, leading the squadron during the Normandy D-Day invasion.
•Presented the Croix de Guerre with Star by the government of France for his part in the invasion of Normandy.

DDG 84 QUICK FACTS:

NAME: USS Bulkeley (DDG 84)

CLASS: Arleigh Burke

LENGTH: 510 feet

SPEED: 30+ knots

CREW: 312 total

MISSION: When directed, conduct prompt and sustained combat operations at sea.



SHIP'S CREST

A crest is used to identify a ship or command and its elements usually symbolize the ship's namesake. For USS Bulkeley (DDG 84), the elements represent the heroic service of Vice Admiral John Duncan Bulkeley and the features of the Arleigh Burke class.

SHIELD: Reflects the power of the Aegis Weapons System, is Navy blue and gold, the colors traditionally associated with the U.S. Navy, symbolizing the sea and excellence.

INVERTED STAR: Recalls the Medal of Honor presented to Vice Admiral Bulkeley by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt for his dynamic forcefulness and daring during the defense of the Philippines.

LAUREL WREATH: Represents honor and high achievement, the hallmarks of USS Bulkeley.

LION: Alludes to the heritage of Normandy and embodies courage and strength.

ANCHORS: Reflects the devotion and commitment of Sailors ensuring the Torch of Freedom remains forever lit for future generations of Americans.

WWII PT BOAT: Serves to honor Admiral Bulkeley's role in the Pacific, including his daring rescue of General MacArthur and President Quezon of the Philippines.



“Freedom's Torch”