



MISSOURI'S NAVAL HISTORY



SHIPS



USS Missouri (SSN 780)

USS Missouri IV (SSN 780) is the third commissioned U.S. Navy ship named after the state of Missouri. Here, USS Missouri is seen at high speed during sea trials.



At least 35 ships have been named after the state of Missouri, its cities, places, and people.

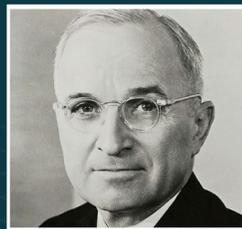
- USS Atchison County (LST 60), 1944
- USS Audrain (APA 59), 1944
- USS Boone County (LST 389), 1942
- USS Callaway (APA 35), 1943
- USS Cole (DDG 67), 1996
- USS Columbia VIII (SSN 771), 1995
- USS Dade (APA 99), 1944
- USS England (DE 635), 1943
- USS Gasconade (APA 85), 1945
- USS Grundy (APA 111), 1945
- USS Guest (DD 472), 1942
- USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75), 1998
- USS Iron County (LST 840), 1944
- USS Jefferson County (LST 845), 1945
- USS Johnson County (LST 849), 1945
- USS John P. Gray (APD 74), 1945
- USS Knox I (APA 46), 1944
- USS Lafayette County (LST 859), 1945
- USS Lawrence County (LST 887), 1944
- USS Lincoln County (LST 898), 1944
- USS Livingston (AP 163), 1943
- USS Mercer II (APB 39), 1945
- USS Missouri I (Steam Frigate), 1842
- USS Missouri III (BB 63), 1944
- USS Missouri IV (SSN 780), 2010
- USS Moberly (PF 63), 1944
- USS Montgomery County (LST 1041), 1945
- USS Pulaski County (LST 1088), 1945
- USS Schuyler (AK 209), 1945
- USS Shelby (APA 105), 1945
- USS St. Louis I (Sloop-of-War), 1828
- USS St. Louis III (Steamer), 1898
- USS St. Louis IV (Cruiser No. 20), 1906
- USS St. Louis V (CL 49), 1939
- USS St. Louis VI (LKA 116), 1969
- USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108), 2009

PEOPLE



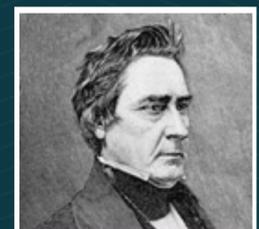
Rear Adm. Wayne Eugene Meyer
U.S. Navy

A pioneer in the Navy's Acquisition Hall of Fame, Rear Adm. Wayne Meyer was born in Brunswick, Mo. He led the development of the Aegis Weapon System.



Harry S. Truman
33rd U.S. President

Harry S. Truman was born in Lamar, Mo. and served as America's 33rd President during World War II. The Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) was named after him.



David Rice Atchison
Missouri Politician

David Rice Atchison served as a Missouri representative, judge, and senator. Missouri's Atchison County and the USS Atchison County (LST 60), commissioned in 1944, were named in his honor.

PLACES



Station Colors pass in review during a military inspection at Naval Air Station (NAS) St. Louis, Mo. April 23, 1954. NAS St. Louis closed in 1958.



The Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) Unit at the University of Missouri was established in 1946. More than 1,400 Midshipmen have received commissions from here since the program began.

Did You Know?

Missouri was named for the Missouri River, an Indian name meaning "muddy waters."



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Under the jurisdiction of the St. Louis Navy Recruiting District, there are at least 25 Navy recruiting stations in Missouri.