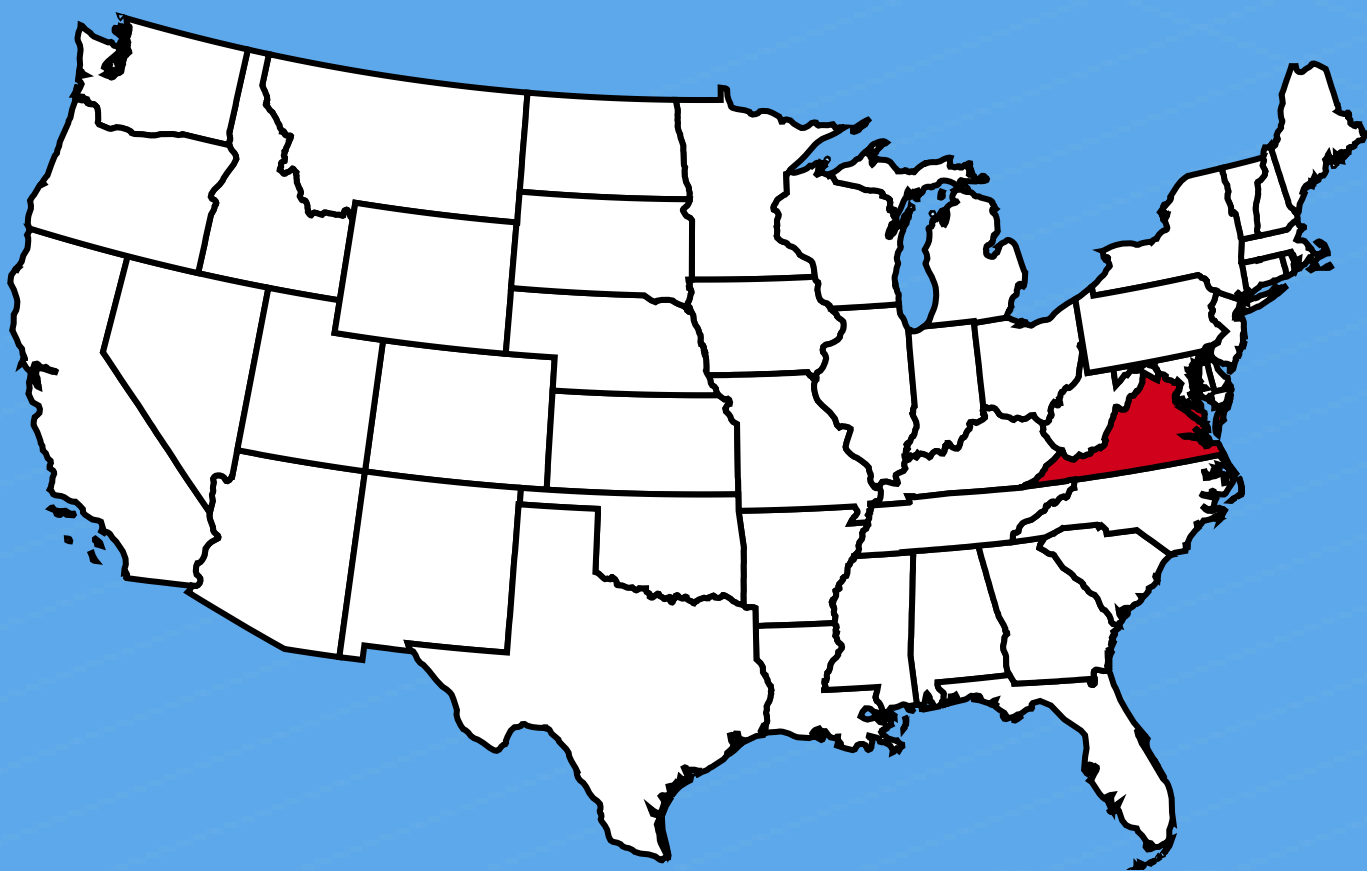




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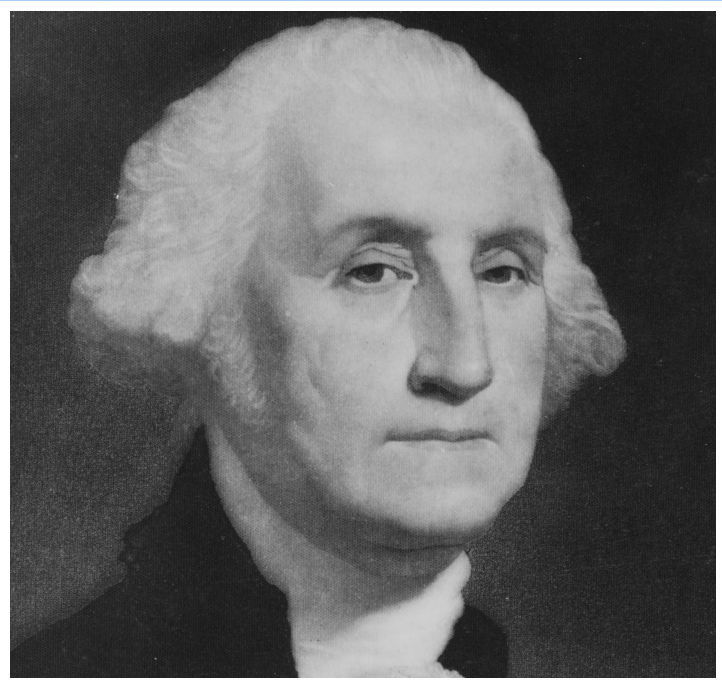
USS Arlington III (LPD 24)
Arlington sails in remembrance of the attack on the Pentagon on Sept. 11, 2001. The pentagon shaped shield on the ship's crest has a border the color of limestone buff except the southwest section of the wall, which is red, to highlight the section that was destroyed. The ship's motto is, "Strength Forged Through Sacrifice, Never Forget."



At least 32 ships have been named after the state of Virginia, its cities, places, and people.

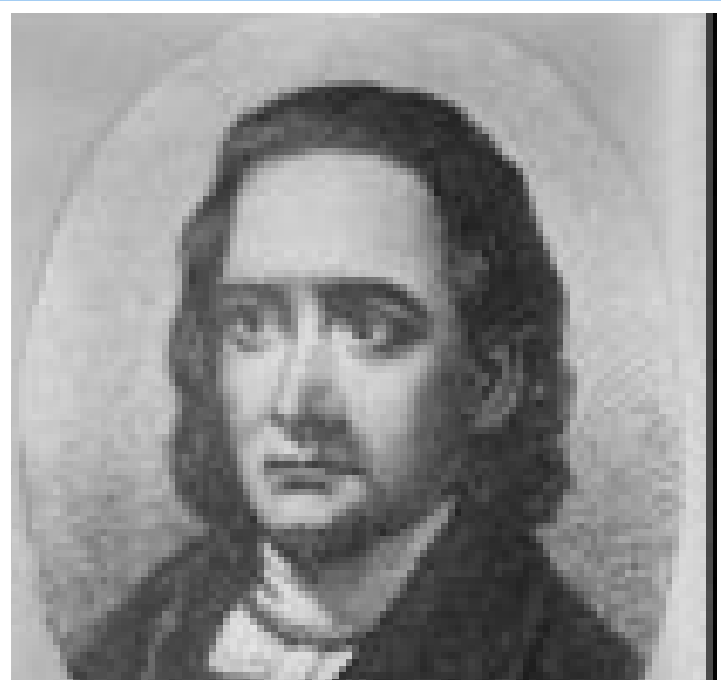
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| USS Alexandria I (Side Wheel Steamer), 1863 | USS Patrick Henry (SSBN 599), 1960 |
| USS Alexandria II (PF 18), 1945 | USS Pocahontas (Screw Steamer), 1856 |
| USS Alexandria III (SSN 757), 1991 | USS Portsmouth II (Sloop-of-War), 1844 |
| USS Arlington I (AP 174), 1944 | USS Randolph (CV 15), 1944 |
| USS Arlington II (AGMR 2), 1966 | USS Richmond (Ironclad Ram), 1862 |
| USS Arlington III (LPD 24), 2013 | USS Richmond II (Steam Sloop), 1860 |
| USS Chesapeake I (Frigate), 1800 | USS Richmond III (CL 9), 1923 |
| USS Chesapeake III (No. 3395), 1919 | USS Roanoke II (Screw Frigate), 1857 |
| USS George Washington II (AP), 1917 | USS Roanoke III (Id. No. 1695), 1918 |
| USS George Washington III (SSBN 598), 1959 | USS Roanoke V (CL 145), 1949 |
| USS Henry Clay (SSBN 625), 1964 | USS Virginia I (Frigate), 1777 |
| USS John Penn (AP 51), 1942 | USS Virginia (BB 13), 1906 |
| USS Mason (Destroyer No. 191), 1920 | USS Virginia III (Screw Gunboat), 1863 |
| USS Newport News I (AK 3), 1917 | USS Virginia (SSN 774), 2004 |
| USS Newport News II (CA 148), 1949 | USS John Warner (SSN 785), 2015 |
| USS Norfolk II (DL 1), 1953 | USS Williamsburg (AGC 369), 1941 |

PEOPLE



George Washington First President of the United States

Born February 22, 1732, in Westmoreland County, Virginia. As the first president of the United States and an accomplished military leader, Washington believed, "without a decisive naval force we can do nothing definitive, and with it, everything honorable and glorious."



John Penn Virginia Congressman

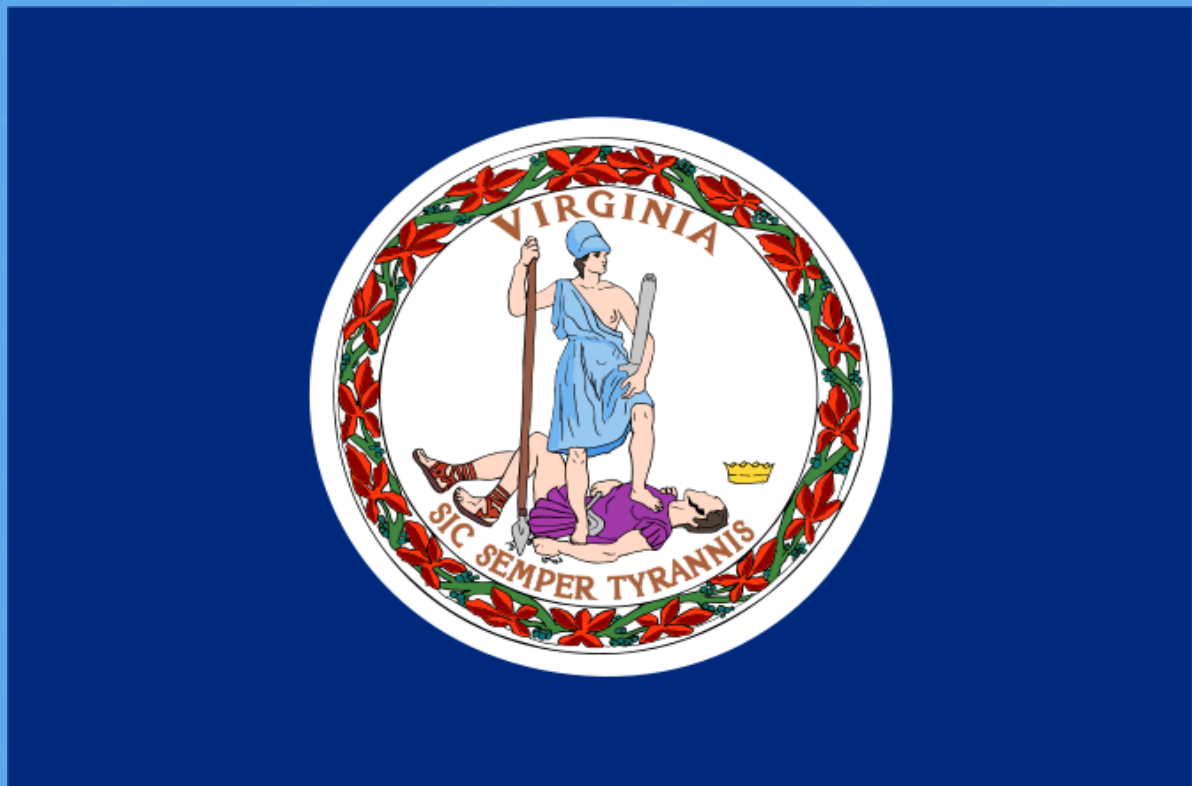
Born in Virginia on May 6, 1740. Penn, active in public affairs, served for a brief time in the Provincial Congress, and was elected to the Continental Congress in 1775. Serving in Congress until 1780, he voted for and signed the Declaration of Independence. USS John Penn (AP 51), commissioned in 1942, was named after him.



James Barron Jr. Commodore, U.S. Navy

Born in Hampton, Virginia on September 15, 1769. Barron was part of a family legacy of service to the Navy. As his father and brother before him, he served his country as a Sailor. When Commodore James Barron died at Norfolk, Virginia, on April 21, 1851, he was the Navy's most senior officer.

PLACES



Did you know?
Virginia ratified the Constitution June 26, 1788, and became the 10th state admitted to the Union.



Naval Station Norfolk is situated in the Sewells Point area of the City of Norfolk, near the site of the battle of the Monitor - Merrimac (CSS Virginia). It is the largest naval complex in the world. Naval Station Norfolk supports the operational readiness of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet and its Sailors.



Located in Virginia Beach, Virginia, Naval Air Station Oceana is the Navy's East Coast Master Jet Base, home to F/A-18 Hornets and Super Hornets. The primary mission of Naval Air Station Oceana is as a Shore-Based Readiness Integrator, providing the facilities, equipment and personnel to support shored-based readiness, total force readiness and maintain operational access of Oceana-based forces.