
USS Guam (LPH-9) - Capt. Stanley - GPS

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El 17 de enero de 1977 murieron 49 marineros y marines norteamericanos tras la colisión de la barcaza en la que se les trasladaba de regreso a sus buques tras una noche de permiso con el carguero vasco Urlea. En el 40 aniversario de la tragedia, familiares de víctimas y supervivientes recuerdan a los fallecidos en un acto en la Ciudad Condal.. El USS.GUAM estaba al mando del capitán Stanley que a su regreso a USA sería ascendido a Almirante

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USS Guam (LPH-9)

International Radio Call Sign:
November - Alpha - Hotel - Mike NAHM

Awards, Citations and Campaign Ribbons

Secretary of the Navy Letter of Commendation
Precedence of awards is from top to bottom, left to right
Top Row - Combat Action Ribbon - (25-26 February 1991) Navy Unit Commendation (6) - Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation (3)
Second Row - Navy Battle "E" Ribbon (6) - Navy Expeditionary Medal (Lebanon) - National Defense Service Medal (2)
Third Row - Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Dominican Republic, Grenada, Lebanon, Op. Sharp Edge, Liberia, Op Restore Hope, Somalia) - Southwest Asia Service Medal - Armed Forces Service Medal (7)
Fourth Row - Humanitarian Service Medal (2) - Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation - Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait)

Iwo Jima Class Amphibious Assault Ship (Helicopter):

Laid down, 15 November 1962, at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, Philadelphia, PA.
Launched, 22 August 1964
Commissioned USS Guam (LPH-9), 16 January 1965, at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, Philadelphia, PA., CAPT. N. E. Thurmon, USN in command
Decommissioned, 25 August 1998, at Norfolk Naval Station, Norfolk, VA.
Struck from the Naval Register, 28 August 1998
Laid up in the James River Reserve Fleet, Fort Eustis, VA.
Final Disposition, sunk as a target, 16 October 2001, Location - 031° 14' 22.0" North, 071° 16' 35.0" West: Depth - 1166 fathoms

Specifications:

Displacement 11,000 tons (lt.), 18,474 t.(fl)

Length 592'
Beam 84'; Flight Deck 105'
Draft 27'
Speed 22 kts.
Complement 667
Troop Accommodations 2,157
Aircraft 25 helicopters Armament (as built) 4 3"/50 AA guns, (modifications) two 3"/50s removed and replaced with 8 cell Sea Sparrow BPDMS launchers, two Phalanx CIWS added, Sparrows later replace with two 25mm chain guns
Propulsion two 600 psi boilers, one geared steam turbine, one shaft, 22,000 shaft horsepower

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The prefabricated island structure for Guam (LPH-9) is lowered into place in November 1964, at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, Philadelphia, PA.
Photo from the "Philadelphia Inquirer Magazine", 29 November 1964
Ron Reeves

426k
Guam (LPH-9) under construction in Drydock #5 at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, Philadelphia, PA., 9 November 1964.
Ron Reeves

330k
USS Guam (LPH-9) under way, 2 June 1966, location unknown.
US Navy photo.
Kevin Brent

42k
USS Guam (LPH-9) under way, date and location unknown.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way, date and location unknown.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way, date and location unknown.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) refueling from a tanker in the Caribbean Sea, March 1967.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way in 1967, location unknown.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) at anchor, date and location unknown.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way with the assistance of a tug, date and location unknown.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) moored at Naval Station Norfolk, 15 June 1974.

Photo by S. Dale Hargrave

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A World War Two era F4-U Corsair fighter plane is lifted from the flight deck of USS Guam (LPH-9) docked at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard in July, 1976. This plane, and others of similar vintage, were placed aboard the decommissioned USS Intrepid (CVS-11) in New York harbor for the Naval Bicentennial celebration which began 4 July 1976.

"Philadelphia Evening Bulletin", George D. McDowell Collection, Photo No P558096B

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USS Guam (LPH 9) and USS Trenton (LPD 14) off Barcelona, Spain, the afternoon of 16 January 1977.

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USS Guam (LPH-9), at Barcelona, Spain. Aerial view, starboard quarter, 23 January 1977, Guam deployed with Marine Composite Helicopter Squadron HMM-264(C), tail code "EH." Parked on the flight deck are CH-46F Sea Knights from HMM-264 "Black Knights," CH-53D Sea Stallions from the HMH Detachment, and a single UH-1N Iroquois from the HML Detachment.

Photo by Fabio Peña

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USS Guam (LPH-9), at Barcelona, Spain, 30 January 1977. Port quarter view. Showing the two BPDMS launchers, one forward of the island and the other one on the port quarter, with twin 3"/50 gun mounts on the starboard quarter (and another one just forward of the island, not visible here).

Photo by Fabio Peña

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USS Guam (LPH-9), at Barcelona, Spain, 1 February 1977. Broadside view shows the port elevator in the unfolded position, with hangar doors shut, and radome abaft the island, housing an SPN-35 blind-approach radar.

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In the early hours 17 January 1977, an LCM(6) from the USS Trenton (LSD-14), carrying Guam (LPH-9) and Trenton sailors and marines back from shore leave, collided with a merchant vessel which was entering the port, and capsized. Forty-nine servicemen were killed in the accident. Shortly afterwards a small monument was erected nearby. The memorial reads;

"In memory of the members of the US Navy and US Marine Corps serving on the USS Guam and the USS Trenton who perished in this port on 17 January 1977, and in gratitude to the citizens, officials and rescue teams of Barcelona for their cooperation with the US Forces".

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way off the coast of Lebanon during flight operations in 1982.

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A CH-53E Super Stallion helicopter (fore) and a CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter (aft) on the flight deck of USS Guam (LPH-9) underway off the coast of Lebanon during flight operations in 1982.

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CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters and an AH-1J Sea Cobra helicopter are parked on the forward flight deck of USS Guam (LPH-9) underway off the coast of Lebanon during flight operations in 1982.

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A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter of the "Chargers", Helicopter Combat Support Squadron Six (HC-6), Detachment 3, delivers supplies to USS Guam (LPH-9) underway off the coast of Lebanon during a vertical replenishment (VERTREP) in 1982.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) moored pierside at Marseille, France, date unknown.

Photo by Philippe Gonzales

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way off Grenada, circa October to November 1983.

Photo by John Bushell RN, HMS Antrim

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A mixed group of assault helicopters including a Sikorsky RH-53 Sea Stallion, a Boeing-Vertol CH-46 Sea Knight and two Bell UH-1N Iroquois on the flight deck of USS Guam (LPH-9), while lying off Grenada, in October 1983.

USN photo.

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View of USS Guam (LPH-9)'s portside elevator while under repair at Old Dominion Shipyard, Norfolk, VA. in 1987.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) cuts through the waters of the Atlantic Ocean en route to the Mediterranean Sea for a six month deployment, 10 October 1997. Guam and George Washington Battle Group were transiting the Atlantic Ocean to relieve the John F. Kennedy Battle Group.

US Navy photo #971010-N-0210C-003 by PH2 (AC) Robert Catalano.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) at anchor in the harbor at Genoa, Italy, date unknown.

Photo by Carlo Martinelli

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way, date and location unknown.

US Navy photo by Kris White from "All Hands" magazine, February 1998.

Joe Radigan MACM USN Ret.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) under way with three Marine Corps AV-8A Harrier V/STOL aircraft on deck, date and location unknown.

US Navy photo.

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USS Guam (LPH-9) Association

Commanding Officers

01

CAPT. Thurmon, Norman Edwin, USN :ADM
16 January 1965 - 9 August 1966

02

CAPT. De La Mater, Stephen Truesdall
9 August 1966 - 11 August 1967

03

CAPT. Dixon, William Chalmers
11 August 1967 - 9 August 1968

04

CAPT. Coulter, William Guy,
9 August 1968 - 5 December 1969

05

CAPT. Renaldi, Richard Raymond,
5 December 1969 - 2 April 1971

06

CAPT. Austin, Kenneth Burdette, USN
2 April 1971 - 26 July 1973

07

CAPT. Holcomb, Martin Staser, USN (USNA 1953) :VADM
26 July 1973 - 3 May 1974

08

CAPT. McKnight, Jesse E.
3 May 1974 - 30 December 1975

09

CAPT. Stanley, Thomas A.

10

CAPT. Miller Jr., Curtis William, USN (USNA 1953)

14 January 1978 - 7 July 1979

11

CAPT. Chase III, Henri Bertram (Bert), :RADM

7 July 1979 - 15 September 1980

12

CAPT. Weseleskey, Allen E. (Wes)

15 August 1980 - 26 March 1982

13

CAPT. Jesberg, Ronald Hans :RADM

26 March 1982 - 1 July 1983

14

CAPT. Quarterman Jr., John Maye, USN (USNA 1961)

1 July 1983 - 27 April 1985

15

CAPT. Kiem, Robert Lang

27 April 1985 - 15 December 1986

16

CAPT. Cebrowski, Arthur Karl :VADM

15 December 1986 - 25 July 1988

17

CAPT. Hanke, Robert R.

25 July 1988 - 9 February 1990

18

CAPT. Saffell Jr., Charles :RADM

9 February 1990 - 13 June 1991

19

CAPT. Stubbs, Gary W.

13 June 1991 - 24 January 1993

20

CAPT. Barnes, Thomas D.

24 January 1993 - 19 June 1994

21

CAPT. Architzel, David, USN (USNA 1973) :RADM

19 June 1994 - 29 February 1996

22

CAPT. Molloy Jr., William Dennis, USN (USNA 1974)

29 February 1996 - 30 May 1997

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CAPT. Luti, William J.

30 May 1997 - 25 August 1998

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