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| <b>Blankenship</b>   | <b>Debro</b>             | <b>YN1(SS)</b>   | <b>sonjablankenship@yahoo.com</b>    | <b>1975</b> | <b>1976</b> | <b>12/21/2011</b> |
| <b>Fuson</b>   | <b>Scott</b>             | <b>STS2(SS)</b>  | <b>Scottfuson@pcdrafting.co</b>      | <b>1992</b> | <b>1996</b> | <b>12/20/2011</b> |
| <b>Polich</b>  | <b>Tim</b>               |                  | <b>timothy.polich@gmail.com</b>      | <b>1975</b> | <b>1978</b> | <b>12/2/2011</b>  |
| I had a great time but enough was enough. It has been nearly 20 years since I left the boat. I still see a few folks from the Puffer now and then. I joined the reserves after my first year in college and between my BS '81 and MS '83 in Nuclear Engineering I was commissioned as a reserve Engineering Duty Officer. I'm the XO of a unit now. It would be great to hear from the old Puffer Power and Light Crew.  |                          |                  |                                      |             |             |                   |
| <b>Howton</b>  | <b>John</b>              | <b>ET-3</b>      | <b>notwoh46@hotmail.com</b>          | <b>1980</b> | <b>1983</b> | <b>11/22/2011</b> |
| <b>Crump</b>   | <b>Russell E.</b>        | <b>ETR2 (SS)</b> | <b>northportautobody@comcast.net</b> | <b>1977</b> | <b>1980</b> | <b>11/8/2011</b>  |
| Picked up in pearl, through overhaul back to Pearl   |                          |                  |                                      |             |             |                   |
| <b>King</b>  | <b>William</b>           | <b>MM1(SS)</b>   | <b>william.n.king@navy.mil</b>       | <b>1990</b> | <b>1992</b> | <b>9/28/2011</b>  |
| <b>Mays</b>  | <b>Frank</b>             |                  | <b>erick.mays09@gmail.com</b>        | <b>1943</b> | <b>1945</b> | <b>9/25/2011</b>  |
| My name is Erick Mays and my Papaw, Frank Mays, served on the Puffer during WWII, he was a Proud Submariner and loved his country. Growing up with my grandparents over the years I heard so many stories about the Puffer and the Submarine Service. Every man who served on a Submarine in WWII or now is a Hero. I am proud that my Papaw was a Submariner, My Papaw Frank Mays is now on Eternal Patrol, 04/30/1924 - 08/28/2011..... Rest In Peace Sailor, I love you Papaw and will remember every story that you told me about one of the Greatest Boats to ever touch the water. |                          |                  |                                      |             |             |                   |
| <b>Abel</b>  | <b>Augie</b>             | <b>TM2 (SS)</b>  | <b>atd72@verizon.net</b>             | <b>1975</b> | <b>1977</b> | <b>9/16/2011</b>  |
| looking to find Rod Kualapai, Rob Garcia , Al William, Steve Edwards and Fleming. anyone that can help I would appreciate it.  |                          |                  |                                      |             |             |                   |
| <b>Geiger</b>  | <b>Rick</b>              | <b>EM1 (SS)</b>  | <b>radmansofia-bg@yahoo.com</b>      | <b>1981</b> | <b>1985</b> | <b>9/16/2011</b>  |
| When is the next reunion? Rick Geiger; 7 Edison Street, Sofia Bulgaria 1111; Tel: +359-896-769-355   |                          |                  |                                      |             |             |                   |
| <b>Mitchell</b>  | <b>Scott</b>             | <b>MM2(SS)</b>   | <b>pscottmitchell@embarqmail.com</b> | <b>1973</b> | <b>1977</b> | <b>8/24/2011</b>  |
| <b>Holsey</b>  | <b>Royce Linton, III</b> | <b>E-4</b>       | <b>lintholsey@gmail.com</b>          | <b>1981</b> | <b>1983</b> | <b>8/2/2011</b>   |
| Topside Watch Pearl Harbor   |                          |                  |                                      |             |             |                   |
| <b>Sanner</b>  | <b>Steve</b>             | <b>ETN2</b>      | <b>nssanner@aol.com</b>              | <b>1975</b> | <b>1978</b> | <b>7/23/2011</b>  |
| It's nice to find this site. We'll have tp plan another party at Joe Adas.   |                          |                  |                                      |             |             |                   |

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| <b>Luoto</b>  | <b>David</b>  | <b>MS3 (SS)</b>                  | <b>luotod@yahoo.com</b>            | <b>1988</b> | <b>1992</b> | <b>7/4/2011</b>  |
| Check out the USS Puffer (SSN 652) page on Facebook. Thanks Don for keeping this site up and running!   |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Nelson</b>   | <b>Gar</b>    | <b>STS2 (SS)</b>                 | <b>gar.nelson@yahoo.com</b>        | <b>1974</b> | <b>1979</b> | <b>6/24/2011</b> |
| <b>Bierly</b>   | <b>Bill</b>   | <b>EM1</b>                       | <b>billbier@embarqmail.com</b>     | <b>1973</b> | <b>1978</b> | <b>5/14/2011</b> |
| Great to see so many shipmate's name in here. I ran into a few of you while I was working in C/2340 at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. I took an early retirement from the shipyard in 2000, and have working hard at being a professional beach bum in Florida. Currently live in Port Charlotte FL. |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Taylor</b>   | <b>James</b>  | <b>MMI (SS)<br/>Retired CWO4</b> | <b>jstaylor@yahoo.com</b>          | <b>1968</b> | <b>1970</b> | <b>5/10/2011</b> |
| Arrived in May 1968 as a M- Div member of the Precommissioning Detail - Departed Puffet in March 1970 as part of an early out program to reduce force size. I was very proud to be a Plank Owner and to have served with many fine members of the submarine force aboard USS Puffer.              |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Collars</b>  | <b>Brett</b>  |                                  | <b>brett.collars@me.com</b>        | <b>1982</b> | <b>1987</b> | <b>5/6/2011</b>  |
| Cheers Vic - may there be BBQ monkey on the stick and cold San Miguels in heaven my friend!!! I'm still doing the same thing here in Hawaii and west of the 180 as well. You wouldn't believe what Magsaysay looks like now. Pass the bucket and greenie please. Damn we had a good time though.  |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Reeves</b>   | <b>Henry</b>  | <b>QM3SS</b>                     | <b>hreeves@j4fluidservices.com</b> | <b>1977</b> | <b>1979</b> | <b>5/5/2011</b>  |
| Wsup shipmates, oilfields in Texas are hot!   |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Groover</b>  | <b>Gary</b>   | <b>SK-3 (SS)</b>                 | <b>gary-groover@comcast.net</b>    | <b>1968</b> | <b>1969</b> | <b>4/11/2011</b> |
| Plankowner and ships first photographer, Proud, and humble to have served on this boat and the commissioning crew. Was able to get a last tour on Puffer after decommissioning.   |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Mansur</b>   | <b>Al</b>     | <b>ET2(SS)</b>                   | <b>almansur@rusnam.org</b>         | <b>1970</b> | <b>1972</b> | <b>4/8/2011</b>  |
| Just wondering  |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Kikis</b>  | <b>Jim</b>    | <b>TMCM(SS)</b>                  | <b>kjimbo@aol.com</b>              | <b>1981</b> | <b>1983</b> | <b>3/29/2011</b> |
| Great Boat  |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |
| <b>Barnes</b>   | <b>Robert</b> | <b>QM2</b>                       | <b>robertb6611@gmail.com</b>       | <b>1988</b> | <b>1992</b> | <b>2/4/2011</b>  |
| <b>Vegh</b>   | <b>John</b>   | <b>STS2</b>                      | <b>john_vegh@yahoo.com</b>         | <b>1974</b> | <b>1975</b> | <b>1/21/2011</b> |
| Wasn't onboard long. Those of you who may remember knows why. Lets just say we did party a bit too much. Any way I went on to the Dixon and the the Pigeon after got out in 1979 as a E-6.  |               |                                  |                                    |             |             |                  |

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| <b>Giles</b>  | <b>David</b>      | <b>MM2 (SS) /<br/>ELT</b> | <b>degiles@windstream.net</b>                    | <b>1993</b> | <b>1996</b> | <b>1/21/2011</b>  |
| <p>Hey everyone! I'm currently in Georgia. After the USS Puffer decom, I ended up on the east coast, which sucked. Does anyone remember the decom air educators? Had loads of fun pointing the topside ones at the marines in the drydock basing and putting wet toilet paper, ping pong balls , M&amp;M's and skittles into them and watching the marines get peppered, ha-ha. Had a lot of fun back then.</p>   |                   |                           |  |             |             |                   |
| <b>Pinta</b>  | <b>Chuck</b>      | <b>TM2 (SS)</b>           | <b>chuckpinta@msn.com</b>                        | <b>1976</b> | <b>1977</b> | <b>1/14/2011</b>  |
| <p>I was only onboard a short while but was proud to have served on her. Any other torpedoman who has learned to write (Ron) please contact me</p>  |                   |                           |  |             |             |                   |
| <b>Leonhart</b>   | <b>Jeffery A.</b> | <b>MM3</b>                | <b>jcdab89@sbcglobal.net</b>                     | <b>1985</b> | <b>1986</b> | <b>1/13/2011</b>  |
| <b>Bryant</b>   | <b>James</b>      | <b>MS3</b>                | <b>jaz_bar757@yahoo.com</b>                      | <b>1990</b> | <b>1994</b> | <b>1/12/2011</b>  |
| <p>I was a MS on the Puffer looking for old buddies Beckem, Gates, Blackwell.</p>   |                   |                           |  |             |             |                   |
| <b>Littell</b>  | <b>Richard S.</b> | <b>MM1 ( SS )</b>         | <b>richardmcss@wavecable.com</b>                 | <b>1971</b> | <b>1976</b> | <b>12/22/2010</b> |
| <p>Retired from Federal Service in 2006. Most of it was at the Trident Refit Facility Bangor Washington</p>   |                   |                           |  |             |             |                   |
| <b>Adams</b>  | <b>James R.</b>   | <b>MMCM (SS)</b>          | <b>jadamsdaisydukeadams@comcast.net@tqci.net</b> | <b>1976</b> | <b>1979</b> | <b>12/20/2010</b> |
| <p>The Puffer was the best ship I ever served on. The crew was always among the best. Puffer always felt like home. Since signing on to this web page several months ago, I have been contacted by several of my ex-shipmates and I can say that I enjoy hearing from everyone. I retired from the Navy in 1981 and have worked in the commercial nuclear arena since. I am now mainly dedicated to emergency diesel generators and management positions. I work as an independent contractor and am usually contracted to troubled nuclear plants. Since retirement I have accumulated several degrees, to ensure long term employment.</p> <p>I am really interested in learning how I have affected the lives of the fine people that I served with. The lord knows you have affected my life in a truly positive way.</p> <p>You the former crew of the Puffer are the greatest.</p> <p>Waiting to hear from you.</p> |                   |                           |  |             |             |                   |
| <b>McCarthy</b>   | <b>Fred</b>       | <b>LT</b>                 | <b>fpmccarthy@aol.com</b>                        | <b>1968</b> | <b>1971</b> | <b>12/16/2010</b> |
| <p>I retired from the Navy August 1, 1988 after serving 21 years. In January 2011 I am retirng from my final civilian job and moving from Illinois to Jacksonville, FL where 3 of my 4 daughters live.</p>  |                   |                           |  |             |             |                   |
| <b>Cardwell</b>   | <b>Donnie Ray</b> | <b>STSC</b>               | <b>stscdrc@gmail.com</b>                         | <b>1989</b> | <b>1992</b> | <b>12/9/2010</b>  |
| <p>Still in the NAVY after 22 year. STSC on board USS CHEYENNE (SSN 773)</p>  |                   |                           |  |             |             |                   |

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| <b>Price</b>  | <b>Tony</b>      | <b>ET2 (SS)</b> | <b>awprice1@verizon.net</b>           | <b>1987</b> | <b>1990</b> | <b>10/20/2010</b> |
| Glad to have found this website. It would be nice to connect with some old shipmates  |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Rule</b>   | <b>Ruede</b>     | <b>ET2 (SS)</b> | <b>golden.rule@suddenlink.net</b>     | <b>1977</b> | <b>1980</b> | <b>10/9/2010</b>  |
| LOOKING FOR SHIPMATES   |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Dyer</b>   | <b>John K.</b>   | <b>MM1(SS)</b>  | <b>jkdyer2000@yahoo.com</b>           | <b>1983</b> | <b>1989</b> | <b>9/25/2010</b>  |
| I remember arriving just after the 83 westpac, along with Jason, Bob F., Tegid... The next few years were the best and worst times....  |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Ehlers</b>   | <b>Kevin</b>     | <b>SK2(SS)</b>  | <b>buster883@juno.com</b>             | <b>1977</b> | <b>1980</b> | <b>9/14/2010</b>  |
| Greetings to all my old shipmates on Puffer. I wish i would have saved a copy of the Blowfish Bugle. I retired in 2001 and reside in Bremerton, working for the shipyard. Good to catch up on all the good times. Message for Rudy Rule: I'm still married to the little gal you introduced me to 31 years ago.   |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Footit</b>   | <b>Chuck</b>     | <b>EM1</b>      | <b>charles.footit@edwardjones.com</b> | <b>1989</b> | <b>1993</b> | <b>9/11/2010</b>  |
| Still married to the "Hot" red head some of you met at the Chargers game in '91. Retired in '96. Climbed the Corp ladder '96 - '01 until the ladder was yanked out form under me (remember the 'tech' bubble '01-'02? Now I'm a Financial Advisor w/Edward Jones living in Gainesville, GA. I've communicated w/some of you (Anelli is still funny as hell). Take care and if you need any financial advice or just want to chat, look me up. |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Barker</b>   | <b>Ronald D.</b> | <b>ET1 (SS)</b> | <b>barkron@bellsouth.net</b>          | <b>1968</b> | <b>1970</b> | <b>8/6/2010</b>   |
| I'm updating this information on Ron. He recently passed away but I thought he would like to be remembered by his fellow shipmates. His wife Priscilla.   |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Smith</b>  | <b>Jarrod</b>    | <b>RM3</b>      | <b>j_smith211@yahoo.com</b>           | <b>1992</b> | <b>1995</b> | <b>7/28/2010</b>  |
| <b>Branson</b>  | <b>Todd</b>      | <b>MM1/SS</b>   | <b>Tbranson@tds.net</b>               | <b>1984</b> | <b>1989</b> | <b>7/18/2010</b>  |
| I spent 5 long years aboard the boat. I challenge anyone with more time on the boat. I spent 5 years 4 months. Maybe the most formidable years of my life. Made the best friends of my life. Best wishes to all of you who have shared my experiences aboard the Puffer.  |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Atwell</b>   | <b>Michael</b>   | <b>ET2 (SS)</b> | <b>mike.atwell@gmail.com</b>          | <b>1992</b> | <b>1996</b> | <b>7/13/2010</b>  |
| Great to see this up and running again! Everyone please also check out the Facebook page and contact me anytime.  |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Fairbank</b>   | <b>Scott D.</b>  | <b>CDR</b>      | <b>scott.fairbank@gmail.com</b>       | <b>1987</b> | <b>1991</b> | <b>7/8/2010</b>   |
| Good to see this page is still going. Lots of great pictures.   |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Cook</b>   | <b>Don</b>       | <b>ET1</b>      | <b>don@usspuffer.org</b>              | <b>1985</b> | <b>1991</b> | <b>7/4/2010</b>   |
| I started this web site in 1985   |                  |                 |                                       |             |             |                   |
| <b>Ferguson</b>   | <b>Mark G</b>    | <b>ET2</b>      | <b>mark.g.ferguson@navy.mil</b>       | <b>1982</b> | <b>1985</b> | <b>6/24/2010</b>  |

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| <b>Sorensen</b>         | <b>William E.</b> | <b>IC1 (SS)</b> | <b>wesorensen@hotmail.com</b> | <b>1973</b> | <b>1977</b> | <b>6/19/2010</b> |
| Retired on 31 June 1991 |                   |                 |                               |             |             |                  |