

# Many Area Men In Military Service

**EARL COOK**  
Fireman Apprentice Earl W. Cook, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl E. Cook of 21 Pine St., Norwood, is serving aboard the destroyer USS Robert A. Owens, an alternate recovery ship for NASA's Project Gemini GT-4 orbital mission. His ship was a unit of Navy Task Force 140, the primary recovery organization for the manned four-day, 1.7-million-mile space mission.



RICHARD LaPAGE

The Owens was stationed in the Atlantic along the path of the Gemini spacecraft. A total of 10,300 Navy personnel, 22 Navy ships, and 41 Navy aircraft in both the Atlantic and Pacific were joined by units of the Army, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard to provide a world-wide location and recovery capability at sea.

Normally operating as part of an Atlantic operational fleet organization, his ship was earmarked for Task Force 140 several weeks in advance of the mission. Since its assignment, her crew trained extensively in recovery technique and communications procedures necessary for smooth task force coordination.

**THOMAS MOFFETT**  
Fireman Apprentice Thomas L. Moffett, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle M. Moffett of Route 3, Potsdam, is deployed to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the U.S. Sixth Fleet oceanographic minesweeper USS Detector, which has been conducting training exercises and operations during the deployment.

While in the Mediterranean, the Detector has participated in several people-to-people projects in Italy and Corsica. Several crewmembers donated blood to a local hospital at San Remo, Italy.

At Ajaccio, Corsica, the ship donated coloring books, dolls and chewing gum to a local orphanage. At Hospice Eugenie, a local hospital, crewmembers used their off-duty time to paint the hallway and refectory in the Old People's wing, and repair the electrical system in the administrative building.

**RICHARD LaPAGE**  
PFC Richard LaPage, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. LaPage, Route 1, Norwood, is now stationed in Kitzingen, Germany. He entered the army on Nov. 13, 1964 and received his basic training at Fort Dix, N.J., and then was sent to Fort Sill, Okla. to take advanced training in the Honorable John and Little John Missile.

**ALAN MATTHEWS**  
Fireman Apprentice Alan R. Matthews, USN, son of Mrs. Ileen Matthews of 33 Elderkin St., Potsdam, has departed Norfolk, Va., for a two-month cruise in the Caribbean, while serving as a crew member of the attack aircraft carrier USS America.

This cruise will afford the first opportunity for the 77,600 ton war ship to operationally test her Terrier surface-to-air guided missiles.

During the cruise, America will visit the port of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands and will operate from the U.S. Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

**FRANK SELLERS**  
Aviation Electronics Technician Airman Frank H. Sellers, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Sellers of 11 Walnut St., Potsdam, was graduated May 14 from the Aviation Electronics Technician

Course in Radar at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tenn.

During the 12-week course he was introduced to a pulsed radar system, electronic countermeasures and types of radar and navigational aids.

The curriculum included operational theory, troubleshooting procedures, and the use of associated radar test equipment.

Before attending this school, he was graduated from the two-week Aviation Familiarization and the 19-week Electronics Fundamentals Schools.

**JAMES EMERSON**  
Seaman Apprentice James J. Emerson, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley L. Emerson of 5 Pine St., Potsdam, participated in the largest combat amphibious operation since Inchon, Korea in 1950, while serving aboard the attack transport USS Henrico.

Initial elements of the Fourth Marine Regiment and Third Reconnaissance Battalion were landed at Chu Lai, Republic of Viet Nam on May 7. This was the first completely "over the beach" landing in the four American amphibious landings that have been made in South Viet Nam.

Without the harbor landing ramps of Da Nang to rely on, all the Marines' equipment and supplies were landed over the Seabee-installed causeways or flown in by Marine helicopters from the ships anchored off Chu Lai, to the south of Da Nang.

The landing also incorporated the initial combat use by Americans of vertical assault with the landing of combat troops by helicopters from the amphibious assault ship USS Princeton. The Marines were quickly followed ashore by Navy Seabees who immediately began construction of an airfield behind the Chu Lai beaches.

The Marines were landed at the request of the Republic of Viet Nam government and are to provide security for the airfield, similar to their mission at Da Nang, relieving South Vietnamese Army troops presently in the area.

**FRANCIS MURRAY**  
Marine Private First Class Francis W. Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murray of Potsdam, N.Y., is serving with Battalion Landing Team 4 of the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade (MEB) in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Members of the 4th MEB have been deployed to the island republic since April 28, when Marines were landed to assist in the evacuation of American and foreign nationals, and to protect American lives and property.

Since the Marines' arrival, members of the Brigade have been positioned inside the international Safety Zone. Their mission has included evacuation, protection of American lives and property, distribution of food and medical supplies without regard to nationality or faction, assist in establishing a stable political settlement under the Organization of American States and help prevent, in keeping with the principles of the inter-American system, the establishment of another Communist state in the Western Hemisphere.

**MICHAEL OSAUAY**  
Seaman Apprentice Michael Osauiy, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Osauiy Sr. of Route 2, Madrid, is participating in an international exercise called Operation Fairgame III in the central Mediterranean and on the island of Corsica May 16-25, while serving aboard the attack transport USS Mountrail.

Thirty-four Americans and 26 French ships are participating in the exercise, along with ground troops from the two countries, United States Marines of the 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment are taking part, along with the French forces. France is providing troops from the Group Fusiliers Des Marine Commando, Group Tactical Assault and French Foreign Legion.

**JOE CREIGHTON**  
Airman Third Class Joseph G. Creighton, son of Mrs. Helen LaRue of Route 2, Norfolk, has been graduated from the technical training course for U. S. Air Force inventory specialists at Amarillo AFB, Tex.

Airman Creighton, trained to inventory supplies by use of electronic data processing machines, is being assigned to a Strategic Air Command (SAC) unit at Pease AFB, N. H. His unit supports the SAC mission of keeping the nation's intercontinental missiles and jet bombers on constant alert.

The airman is a graduate of St. Lawrence Central High School, Brasher Falls.

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**ROY CARINGI**  
Airman Third Class Roy W. Caringi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caringi Sr., of Parishville, has been graduated from the technical training course for U. S. Air Force inventory specialists at Amarillo AFB, Tex.

Airman Caringi, trained to inventory supplies by use of electronic data processing machines, is being assigned to a Strategic Air Command (SAC) unit at Pease AFB, N. H. His unit supports the SAC mission of keeping the nation's intercontinental missiles and jet bombers on constant alert.

The airman is a graduate of Parishville, Hopkinton Central High School.

**RICHARD NILES**  
Airman Richard C. Niles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manfred Niles, who reside on Main Street, Nicholasville, has completed Air Force basic military training at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Airman Niles is being assigned to an Air Defense Command (ADC) unit at McChord AFB, Wash., for training and duty as an administrative specialist. His unit supports the ADC mission of defending the continental U. S. against enemy air attack.

The airman is a graduate of Parishville High School.

**RICHARD SEARLES**  
Fireman Apprentice Richard L. Searles, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Searles of 8 River St., Norwood, participated in formal change-of-command ceremonies May 3, while serving aboard the anti-submarine warfare support aircraft carrier USS Intrepid at Brooklyn.

The Intrepid is undergoing a six-month overhaul at the New York Naval Shipyard at Brooklyn. Upon completion of the overhaul, the Intrepid will return as anti-submarine warfare element of the U. S. Atlantic Fleet.

When deployed overseas, the carrier operates with the U. S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

**FATHER'S DAY AT CROSSROADS, MOIRA**  
By Maggie  
Last Father's Day an incident outside the entrance of this magnificent dining spot stands out very vividly with this writer.

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**DARRELL BRESEE**  
Radionian Seaman Apprentice Darrell L. Bresee, USN, son of Mrs. Harriett I. Bresee of Madrid Springs, Madrid, is serving aboard the small sea-plane tender USS Greenwich Bay, currently deployed to Bahrain Island in the Persian Gulf as the flagship for the Commander, U.S. Middle East Forces.

While aboard the Greenwich Bay, he recently visited Muscat, the capitol of Muscat and Oman, a sheikdom on the southwest coast of Saudi Arabia; Mogadiscio, capitol of the Somali Republic on the eastern coast of Africa; Mombasa, Kenya, also on Africa's eastern coast; Cochin, India, the "Venice of the East," and Bombay, India.

**ALLAN SPOOR**  
Seaman Allan K. Spoor, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey R. Spoor of Route 1, Norwood, is attending the 10-week Basic Storekeeper School at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif. He is learning to order, receive and issue materials and cargo used by ships and shore stations of the Navy, as well as how to prepare and maintain correspondence and files.

**ROBERT IRISH**  
Army Pvt. Robert T. Irish, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mathie, live at Route 1, Colton, completed eight weeks of advanced infantry training at Fort Polk, La., May 15. Irish was trained in small unit tactics and the use of such modern weapons as the M-14 rifle and the M-70 machinegun.

Private support for 4-H comes from community organizations, service clubs, business, industry and individuals.

**ROGER C. PECK**

Airman Roger C. Peck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clark A. Peck, Nicholasville, has completed Air Force basic military training at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Airman Peck is being assigned to a Strategic Air Command (SAC) unit at Pease AFB, N. H., for training and duty as a missile facilities specialist. His unit supports the SAC mission of keeping the nation's intercontinental missiles and jet bombers on constant alert.

The airman attended St. Regis Falls Central School.

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Dr. William G. Van Note, president of Monmouth College in New Jersey and former president of Clarkson College of Technology here; and Miss Betty Baderman, former Public Relations Director at Clarkson, presently serving in that post at Monmouth; pose with Bob Hope during the assembly of the procession at Monmouth College's 31st Commencement June 5. Dr. Van Note commented in his personal note to the Courier-Freeman that "the weather was ideal and everything else seemed to click as well . . . the most noted of our 737 graduates was Bob Hope, on whom was conferred an honorary degree."

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