

USS MULLINIX (DD-944)

ROUND-THE-WORLD-CRUISE

11 June - 17 December 1966

- 11 June 1966 - Underway from Norfolk, Virginia for Panama Canal.
- 14 June - Arrived Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (Boiler repairs).
- 19 June - Underway for Panama Canal.
- 21 June - Arrive and transit Panama Canal and moor at Balboa on Pacific side.
- 22 June - Underway for Manzanillo, Mexico.
- 25 June - Arrive Manzanillo, Mexico (Refuel).
- 26 June - Underway for Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
- 3 July - Arrive Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
- 9 July - Underway for Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI) and return to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
- 11 July - Underway for drills, exercises and shore bombardment at Kalwoona.
- 13 July - Arrive Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
- 14 July - Underway for Midway Island.
- 16 July - Arrive Midway Island (refuel) and underway for Apra Harbor, Guam. (Mariana Islands)
- 17 July - Crossed the International Date Line.
- 23 July - Arrive Apra Harbor, Guam. (Refuel and repairs).
- 25 July - Underway for Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 29 July - Arrive Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 31 July - Underway for Viet Nam coast (Combat Zone).
- 1 August - South China Sea (officially enter the Combat Zone).
- 2 August - Relieve USS MORTON (DD-948) on the Gun Line, commence shore bombardment, sank 1 small boat (sampan).
- 3 August - Arrive Saigon River, Viet Nam, relieve USS CONWAY (DD-507) for shore bombardment.
- 5 August - Refuel at sea from USS CIMARRON (AO-22) and rendezvous with USS HOLDER (DD-819) to receive staff, mail and ammunition.
- 7 August - Receive ammunition at sea from USS HALEAKALA (AE-25).
- 8 August - Rendezvous with heavy cruiser USS SAINT PAUL (CA-73) Commodore's meeting with their Captain.

- 9 August - Refuel at sea from USS CIMARRON (AO-22), escort Marine convoy along the coast and arrive Da Nang, Viet Nam and anchor in harbor.
- 10 August - Replenish from USS POLLUX (AKS-4) at sea, anchored in Da Nang harbor to offload Commodore, underway, commenced shore bombardment on Viet Cong.
- 12 August - Missions completed, underway for Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 13 August - Arrive Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 20 August - Underway for shore bombardment exercises with USS BEALE (DD-471), return to Subic Bay and load ammunition.
- 22 August - Underway for Viet Nam, hiline observers to USS BEALE (DD-471).
- 24 August - Arrive Da Nang, Viet Nam, anchor in harbor, underway and commence shore bombardment with USS E.A. GREENE (DD-711).
- 25 August - Rendevous with and receive mail from USS WILHOITE (DER-397).
- 27 August - Refuel at sea form USS TOLOVANA (AO-64) and rendezvous with heavy cruiser USS SAINT PAUL (CA-73) to relieve her on the Gun Line. Commodore relieves her Captain as Commander Task Unit 70.8.9., in charge of shore bombardment.
- 28 August - Commence shore bombardment on Viet Cong along with USS OZBOURN (DD-846), also USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) and USS TRIPOLI (LPH-10) in Operation Deckhouse, III, Phase II.
- 30 August - Received ammunition at sea from USS VESUVIUS (AE-15), arrive in Saigon River, relieve USS HAMNER (DD-718) for shore bombardment.
- 31 August - Continued shore bombardment in Saigon River, received aboard CBS Television newsmen to take pictures of the ship shooting.
- 1 September - Received ammunition at sea from USS MAZAMA (AE-9), a LANFLT AE.
- 2 September - Refuel at sea from USS CIMARRON (AO-22), continue shore bombardment.
- 4 September - Escort Marine truck convoy along the coast, refuel at sea from USS NECHES (AO-47), anchor in Da Nang harbor.
- 5 September - Underway and commence shore bombardment with light cruiser USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5) at Viet Cong targets, return and anchor in Da Nang harbor.
- 8 September - Commenced shore bombardment in support of Marines during Operation Fresno, reported making number of kills of Viet Cong.
- 9 September - Received ammunition at sea from USS MOUNT KATMAI (AE-16), continued shore bombardment in support of Operation Fresno.

- 11 September - Received mail from USS BRADLEY (DE-1041), continued shore bombardment.
- 12 September - Received ammunition from USS MOUNT KATMAI (AE-16) and refueled from USS TOLOVANA (AO-64), rendezvous with USS STORMES (DD-780).
- 14 September - Shore bombardment in support of Operation Fresno with USS STORMES (DD-780), rendezvous with light cruiser USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5).
- 15 September - Received ammunition at sea from USS VESUVIUS (AE-15).
- 16 September - Missions completed, refueled at sea from USS GUADALUPE (AO-32), relieved on the Gun Line by heavy cruiser USS SAINT PAUL (CA-73).
- 17 September - Underway for Hong Kong, China.
- 18 September - Arrive Hong Kong, China.
- 23 September - Underway for Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 24 September - Arrive Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 5 October - Underway for Viet Nam.
- 6 October - Arrive Viet Nam coast.
- 7 October - Relieve USS HULL (DD-945), our sister ship, on the Gun Line and commence shore bombardment.
- 9 October - Refueled at sea from USS PONCHATOULA (AO-148).
- 10 October - Received ammunition at sea from USS MOUNT BAKER (AE-4), continued shore bombardment.
- 12 October - Received ammunition at sea from USS MOUNT KATMAI (AE-16).
- 15 October - Received ammunition at sea from USS VESUVIUS (AE-15) and refueled from USS MANATEE (AO-58).
- 17 October - Rendezvous with USS CONWAY (DD-507), continued shore bombardment. At 1625 we fired our 10,000th round of ammo at enemy targets, entering the 10,000 Club.
- 18 October - Shore bombardment with USS CHEVALIER (DD-805), refueled at sea from USS MATTAPONI (AO-41).
- 19 October - Received ammunition at sea from USS VESUVIUS (AE-15).
- 20 October - Rendezvous with USS DALE (DLG-19), anchor in Da Nang harbor, underway, rendezvous and hiline with USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5).
- 21 October - Rendezvous with USS DALE (DLG-19) for hiline, continued shore bombardment.

- 22 October - Rendezvous with USS O'HARE (DD-889) for hiline, receive mail from USS LOWE (DER-325), continue shore bombardment.
- 23 October - Refuel at sea from USS MATTAPONI (AO-41) in the Gulf of Tonkin.
- 24 October - Received ammunition at sea from USS PARICUTIN (AE-18), rendezvous and hiline with USS HULL (DD-945), commence shore bombardment along with USS T.E. CHANDLER (DD-717).
- 26 October - Received ammunition at sea from USS MAZAMA (AE-9).
- 27 October - Rendezvous with USS VOGELGESANG (DD-862), continue shore bombardment in support of Operation Dover.
- 28 October - Refuel at sea from USS PONCHATOULA (AO-148).
- 30 October - Arrive and anchor in Da Nang harbor, underway and continue shooting.
- 31 October - Refuel at sea from USS PASSUMPSIC (AO-107), last UNREP in WestPac.
- 1 November - All missions completed, relieved on Gun Line by USS HULL (DD-945), underway for Subic Bay, Philippines. Total ammunition fired on enemy targets was 13,702 rounds since 2 August.
- 2 November - Arrive Subic Bay, Philippines.
- 9 November - Underway for Penang, Malaysia, along with the seven other destroyers in our squadron, USS O'HARE (DD-889), USS VOGELGESANG (DD-862), USS HOLDER (DD-819), USS STORMES (DD-780), USS E.A. GREENE (DD-711), USS CONWAY (DD-507) and USS BEALE (DD-471), as we start the second leg of our round-the-world cruise bound for homeport of Norfolk, Virginia.
- 12 November - Crossed the Equator. All pollywogs were initiated into shellbacks.
- 13 November - Transited the Strait of Malacca, a narrow strip of water that separates Malaysia from Sumatra.
- 14 November - Arrive Penang, Malaysia.
- 15 November - Underway for Cochin, India. Enter Bay of Bengal, part of Indian Ocean.
- 16 November - Hiline with USS E.A. GREENE (DD-711) and USS VOGELGESANG (DD-862).
- 18 November - Lost and recovered a man overboard, SN SPROWLS.
- 19 November - Arrive Cochin, India.
- 21 November - Underway for Aden, Saudi Arabia, steaming in the Arabian Sea.
- 25 November - Enter the Gulf of Aden.
- 26 November - Arrive Aden, Saudi Arabia to refuel. Underway for Port Suez, Egypt. Enter the Red Sea.

- 29 November - Arrive Port Suez, Egypt and anchor to wait to transit Suez Canal.
- 30 November - Transit the Suez Canal.
- 1 December - Enter the Mediterranean Sea, underway for Athens, Greece, refuel at sea from USS CALOOSAHATCHEE (AO-98).
- 2 December - Arrive Athens, Greece.
- 5 December - Underway for Norfolk, Virginia.
- 8 December - Transit the Strait of Gibraltar, between Spain and Morocco and enter the Atlantic Ocean.
- 9 December - Rendezvous with Destroyer Squadron 36, hiline with USS W.M. WOOD (DD-715), and USS R.L. WILSON (DD-847), refuel with USS NEOSHO (AO-143). Steaming in company with 13 other destroyers and an oiler.
- 12 December - Refueled at sea from USS NEOSHO (AO-143), hiline with USS VOGELGESANG (DD-862).
- 15 December - Received newspaper reporter by helicopter from Bermuda, hiline with USS HARWOOD (DD-861) transporting 7 men to the Mayport, Florida based destroyer. Tried to refuel with USS CHUKAWAN, but had to give up due to rough seas.
- 16 December - Refueled at sea from USS CHUKAWAN (AO-100), getting close now, channel fever is setting in.
- 17 December - HOME AT LAST. Arrive Norfolk, Virginia completing round-the-world cruise and steaming over 32,000 miles since 11 June 1966.

PORTS

1. Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
2. Balboa, Panama
3. Manzanillo, Mexico
4. Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
5. Midway
6. Apra Harbor, Guam
7. Subic Bay, Philippines
8. Da Nang, Vietnam
9. Hong Kong, China
10. Penang, Malaysia
11. Cochin, India
12. Aden, Saudi Arabia
13. Athens, Greece

WATERS

1. Atlantic Ocean
2. Pacific Ocean
3. Indian Ocean
4. Caribbean Sea
5. Philippine Sea
6. South China Sea
7. Arabian Sea
8. Red Sea
9. Mediterranean Sea
10. AEGEAN SEA
10. Bay of Bengal
11. Gulf of Tonkin
12. Gulf of Aden
13. Luzon Strait
14. Strait of Malacca
15. Strait of Gibraltar
16. Panama Canal
17. Suez Canal

**ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS**

*See Act. B-2105, BuPers Manual*

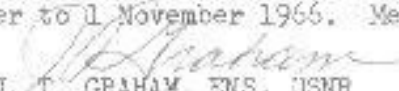
SHIP OR STATION

U.S.S. MULLINNIX (DD-944)

ROUND THE WORLD CRUISE

- 11 JUN 66: Departed Norfolk, Virginia bound for the Western Pacific for operations with the SEVENTH Fleet in Viet Nam.
- 21 JUN 66: Transited the Panama Canal.
- 17 JUL 66: Appeared on the Threshold of the Far East and crossed the 180th Meridian in Latitude 27°11'N, thus passing into the "DOMAIN OF THE GOLDEN DRAGON." Having been found worthy by His Excellency, the GOLDEN DRAGON, Ruler of the 180th Meridian of the Mysteries of the Far East, you are recognized as a DRAGON-BACK of the First Order and a member of the "SILENT OCCULT MYSTERIES OF THE FAR EAST."
- 02 AUG 66: Arrived in the Combat Zone off the coast of Viet Nam.
- 17 OCT 66: By virtue of having fired 10,000 rounds of ammunition in support of operations in Viet Nam you are a Team Member of the "10,000 ROUND CLUB."
- 23 OCT 66: Operated in the waters of the Tonkin Gulf and thus admitted as a member of the "TONKIN GULF YACHT CLUB."
- 01 NOV 66: Fired a total of 13,702 rounds of ammunition in support of operations in Viet Nam and thus a Team Member of the "OVER 13,000 ROUND CLUB."
- 12 NOV 66: Crossed the Equator at Latitude 00°00' and Longitude 105°00'E bound for Penang, Malaysia and duly initiated as a TRUSTY SHELLBACK into the Solemn Mysteries of the Ancient Order of Shellbacks.
- 13 NOV 66: Transited the Malacca Straits.
- 30 NOV 66: Crossed the Isthmus of Suez by transiting the Suez Canal and thus numbered as a honorable crew member of the "ANCIENT ORDER OF THE SUEZ, GRAND ORDER OF ANCIENT MARINERS OF THE DESERT."
- 17 DEC 66: Arrived in Norfolk, Virginia. Know-ye all Wordly Voyagers of the Seven Seas and to each Exalted Navigator of the Eastern and Western Hemisphere that during the interim between 11 June and 17 December 1966 that USS MULLINNIX (DD-944) CIRCUMNAVIGATED THE GLOBE and visited the following Ports-of-Call: Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Balboa, Panama; Manzanillo, Mexico; Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; Midway Island; Guam, M.I.; Subic Bay, Philippines; Hong Kong, B.C.C.; Da Nang, Viet Nam; Penang, Malaysia; Cochin, India; Aden, British Protectorate; and Athens, Greece.

Authorized to wear the Viet Nam Service Medal for service on board USS MULLINNIX (DD-944) during operations in the Viet Nam area in accordance with SECNAV INST 1650.10 for the following periods: 2-12 August, 23 August to 17 September and 6 October to 1 November 1966. Medal not issued.

  
 J. T. GRAHAM, ENS, USNR  
 Ship's Secretary  
 By direction of the CO

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

SERVICE NO.

BRANCH AND CLASS