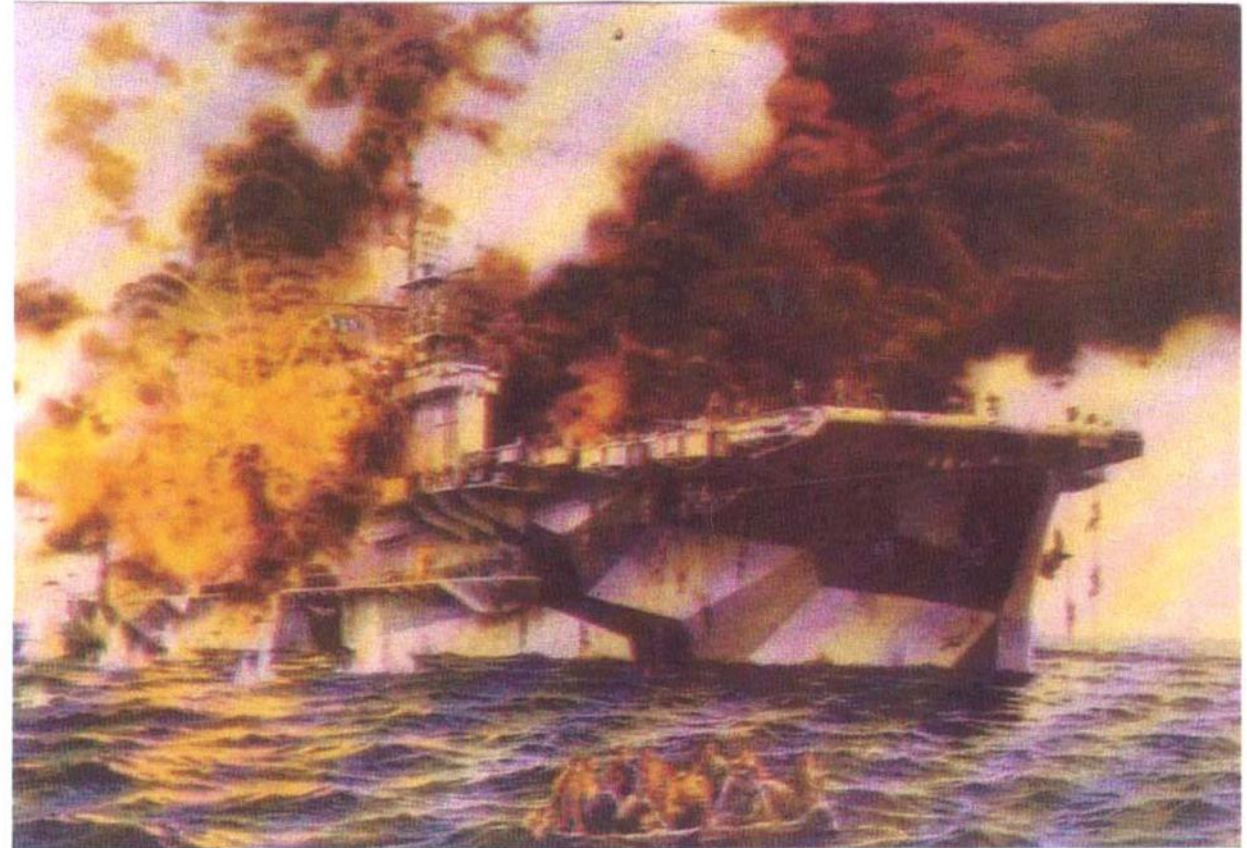




A memorial service for the men of TAFFY III, brave young heroes of every faith and color, they gave their lives that all could live free. We are here to pay tribute to you who gave their all so that we, the living, may honor their sacrifice for freedom and all that America represents. To the heroes of that time who are with us today and to those who have left us in the years between then and now, we dedicate this service with our love and gratitude. We are the voice of the future and we will not be silenced.

You will forever remain in our hearts and our prayers.

MEMORIAL SERVICE
USS ST LO/TAFFY III/CVE63/VC65



OCTOBER 25, 2018

The 74th Anniversary of
“The Battle Off Samar”

**Mediterranean Palm Ballroom
2nd Floor – Sirata Beach Resort
St. Pete Beach, Florida**

Welcome	Daryl Funaiock, President USS St. Lo Association
Presentation of Wreaths	Terri Falbo Newell and Beckett Newell Grand Daughter & Great Grandson of USS St. Lo Survivor - Bob Schueler Carol Mayer & Tricia Koutavas Daughters of Fred Graziano & Sam Palermo Shipmates - USS Dennis
Posting of Colors	Admiral Farragut Academy Color Guard
Pledge of Allegiance	All Attendees
National Anthem	Led by Admiral Farragut Academy Cadets
Invocation	Rick Schock, Commander, USN, Ret.
Keynote Speaker	James D. Hornfischer, Distinguished Author of works on WWII in the Pacific
Tolling of the Bell	Frank Mann
Reading of the Names of Those Killed in Action	1. Viola Bramel 2. Carl Mann 3. Cheryl Falbo 4. Joann Sosa 5. Henry Funaiock Jr. 6. Lauren Selmeier 7. Robert Falbo 8. Pat Ferguson
Those Who Have Died Since Last Year's Reunion	Rodney Williams, Past President USS St. Lo Association
Eternal Father Strong to Save	All Attendees, Led by Farragut Academy Cadets
Benediction and Taps	Rick Schock, Commander, USN, Ret.
Retire the Colors	Admiral Farragut Color Guard

Note: Immediately following the service, a buffet lunch will be hosted for honored guests and reunion attendees on the Breezeway Deck near the Beach.

Navy Hymn: Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

O Christ! Whose voice the waters heard
And hushed their raging at Thy word,
Who walked'st on the foaming deep,
And calm amidst its rage didst sleep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

Most Holy Spirit! Who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease,
And give, for wild confusion, peace;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

O Trinity of love and power!
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.