

**Naval Vessel Historical Evaluation**  
FINAL DETERMINATION

This evaluation is unclassified

Name	Hull Number
KLAKRING	FFG 42
Vessel Class	Previous Vessel Designation (if any)
36 <sup>th</sup> OLIVER HAZARD PERRY (FFG 7) class guided missile frigate	
Vessel Location	Current Status
INACTSHIPMAINTO Philadelphia	Stricken, plan FMS or scrap

Initial Evaluation Date	Initial Finding
28 Mar 2013	Ineligible
Final Evaluation Date	Eligibility for Listing to the National Register of Historic Places
9 June 2013	Ineligible

**Vessel Snapshot**

<b>Lineage</b>	Named for RADM Thomas B. Klakring, a submarine hero of World War II in the Pacific, who received three Navy Crosses as commanding officer of the submarine GUARDFISH (SS 217).
<b>Displacement</b>	4,100 tons
<b>Length</b>	453 ft
<b>Beam</b>	45 ft
<b>Draft</b>	26 ft
<b>Speed</b>	29+ knots
<b>Propulsion</b>	Gas turbines, single-screw
<b>Armament</b>	One OTO Melara Mk 75 76 mm/62 caliber gun Two Mk 32 triple-tube (324 mm) launchers for Mark 46

	<p>torpedoes</p> <p>One Vulcan Phalanx CIWS; four .50-cal (12.7 mm) machine guns.</p> <p>One Mk 13 Mod 4 single-arm launcher for <i>Harpoon</i> anti-ship missiles and SM-1MR Standard anti-ship/air missiles (40 round magazine)</p> <p>Note: As of 2004, Mk13 systems removed from all active US vessels of this class.</p>
<b>Laid Down</b>	19 Feb 82
<b>Launched</b>	18 Sep 82
<b>Built By</b>	Bath Iron Works, Bath ME
<b>Sponsor</b>	Ms. Beverly Bohlen, a niece of RADM Klakring
<b>Delivered</b>	5 Aug 83
<b>Commissioned</b>	20 Aug 83
<b>Decommissioned</b>	22 Mar 13
<b>Stricken</b>	22 Mar 13

### Vessel History

<b>Deployment Summary</b>	<p>First homeported in Charleston, SC; maiden deployment to Persian Gulf to conduct routine maritime security operations; 2<sup>nd</sup> deployment to Persian Gulf during Operation <i>Earnest Will</i>, escorting Kuwaiti tankers in and out of the Persian Gulf. Also participated in Operation <i>Prime Chance</i> providing a land/launch platform for the U.S. Army's 160<sup>th</sup> Special Operations Aviation Regiment. During early to mid-1990s, she shifted from operations in the Middle East to operations in the Caribbean Sea and eastern Pacific Ocean to counteract narcotics trafficking including involvement in Operation <i>Support Democracy</i>. In 1994, participated in Operation <i>Able Vigil</i>, rescuing Cuban</p>
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	<p>refugees adrift in the Florida Straits. Changed Homeport to Norfolk, VA, in 1995 and conducted operations in the Mediterranean Sea as a member of Joint Task Force Group 95.1 with the DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69) Battle Group.</p> <p>After completing the Caribbean Sea and UNITAS (United States-South American Allied Exercise) 41 deployment in 2000, KLAKRING shifted her homeport to Mayport, FL, in 2001. In 2002, participated in Caribbean and eastern Pacific ocean counter-narcotic deployment and also participated in the UNITAS 43 Maritime Training Exercise. In 2004-2005, KLAKRING played an active role as a NATO Reaction Maritime Force. Additional counter narcotics trafficking deployments in 2006-2010. Participated in Operation <i>Joint Warrior</i> in 2008, a multi-national maritime exercise. Entered dry dock for maintenance January 2011.</p> <p>Final deployment June 2012 as an independent deployment off the Horn of Africa conducting intelligence, surveillance, and recognizance missions.</p>
<b>Awards</b>	<p>1 Meritorious Unit Commendation [as part of DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69) Battle Group), 3 Navy “E” Ribbons, 2 Armed Forces Expeditionary Medals, 1 Southwest Asia Service Medal, 7 Armed Forces Service Medals, 1 Chief of Naval Operations Letter of Commendation [for service as part of Cruiser-Destroyer Group 12 and ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) Battle Group), 2 Coast Guard SOS Ribbons</p>
<b>Noteworthy Events</b>	<p>KLAKRING was one of the surface combatants in a film, Larry Bond's 1993 “techno-thriller” <i>Cauldron</i>.</p> <p>In 2007, deployed on a South American counter narcotic deployment that resulted in 12 metric tons of cocaine being confiscated.</p> <p>The Navy’s fourth <i>Fire Scout</i> detachment broke endurance records during its 5-month deployment on board KLAKRING in 2012.</p>
<b>DANFS* Entry</b>	<p>Written and ready for posting, updated to decommissioning.</p>

\**Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships*

### Criteria Evaluation<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Evaluation conducted using triggers established for naval vessels in *Program Comment for the Department of Navy for the Disposition of Historic Vessels*, issued by the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation on 15 March 2010.

<b>i. Was the vessel awarded an individual Presidential Unit Citation?</b>	No.
<b>ii. Did an individual act of heroism take place aboard the vessel such that an individual was subsequently awarded the Medal of Honor or the Navy Cross?</b>	No.
<b>iii. Was a President of the United States assigned to the vessel during his or her naval service?</b>	No.
<b>iv. Was the vessel was the first to incorporate engineering, weapons systems, or other upgrades that represent a revolutionary change in naval design or warfighting capabilities?</b>	No.
<b>v. Did some other historic or socially significant event occur on board the vessel?</b>	No.
<b>Historic Evaluation Conclusion</b>	Ineligible
<b>Assessment of integrity of (as appropriate) design, materials, workmanship, feeling and/or association (only for vessels determined to be eligible)</b>	n/a

<b>Sources</b>	COMDESRON FOURTEEN 251346Z MAR 13 (2013): Inactivation and Decommissioning of USS KLAKRING
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**Historic Preservation Stakeholder Comment**

Historic preservation stakeholder comments received are considered when preparing final determinations. The initial determination for this vessel was made available for comment by historic preservation stakeholders for 60 days. During that time, the Navy received no written comments.

<b>Comments Received</b>	<b>Comment Disposition</b>

**Addendum:** revised and updated on 05.15.15