

**Naval Vessel Historical Evaluation**  
FINAL DETERMINATION

This evaluation is unclassified

<b>Name</b>	<b>Hull Number</b>
KISKA	T-AE-35
<b>Vessel Class</b>	<b>Previous Vessel Designation (if any)</b>
KILAUEA (AE-26) class ammunition ship	AE-35
<b>Vessel Location</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Pearl Harbor, HI	Stricken, to be dismantled

<b>Initial Evaluation Date</b>	<b>Initial Finding</b>
11 August 2011	Ineligible
<b>Final Evaluation Date</b>	<b>Eligibility for Listing to the National Register of Historic Places</b>
10 November 2011	Ineligible

**Vessel Snapshot**

<b>Lineage</b>	First vessel to be named for the Alaskan volcano, on Kiska Island, AK
<b>Displacement</b>	18,112 tons (full load)
<b>Length</b>	564 feet
<b>Beam</b>	81 feet
<b>Draft</b>	27 feet (maximum navigational draft)
<b>Speed</b>	20+ knots
<b>Propulsion</b>	Steam turbines, single screw
<b>Armament</b>	as built – 8 3-inch (four twin mounts) as USNS - none

<b>Laid Down</b>	8 April 1971
<b>Launched</b>	11 March 1972
<b>Built By</b>	Ingalls Shipbuilding, Division of Litton Industries, Pascagoula, MS
<b>Sponsor</b>	Mrs. Isaac Kidd, wife of ADM Isaac C. Kidd, Jr.
<b>Delivered</b>	25 February 1973
<b>Commissioned</b>	16 December 1972
<b>Inactivated</b>	15 January 2011
<b>Decommissioned</b>	1 August 1996
<b>Stricken</b>	15 January 2011

### Vessel History

<b>Deployment Summary</b>	True to her motto “We Deliver,” KISKA made numerous deployments to the Western Pacific. With a constant U.S. naval force in place in the Persian Gulf from the late 1970s, KISKA’s deployments often extended into the Indian Ocean.
<b>Awards</b>	Joint Meritorious Unit Award, 2 Navy Unit Commendations, 3 Navy Meritorious Unit Commendations, 4 Navy Battle “E” Ribbons, Navy Expeditionary Medal (Iran/Indian Ocean), National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (MAYAGUEZ Operation; Libya), Southwest Asia Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal (“Boat People,” 21 July 1979 - 30 Jun 1984)
<b>DANFS* Entry</b>	None; research in progress.

**Criteria Evaluation<sup>1</sup>**

<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>	Not applicable

<b>Sources</b>	Commissioning Ceremony Program; Change of Command Ceremony Program, original mimeographs held in NHHC Ship History archives;
	Welcome Aboard pamphlet in NHHC Ship History archives.
	<a href="http://www.hullnumber.com/AE-35">www.hullnumber.com/AE-35</a>
	<a href="http://www.navsource.org/archives/09/05/0535.htm">www.navsource.org/archives/09/05/0535.htm</a>
	Naval Vessel Register, KISKA (AE 35) Ammunition Ship, <a href="http://www.nvr.navy.mil/nvrships/details/AE35.htm">www.nvr.navy.mil/nvrships/details/AE35.htm</a>

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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.**

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<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.