

**Naval Vessel Historical Evaluation**  
**INITIAL DETERMINATION**



This evaluation is unclassified

<b>Name</b>	<b>Hull Number</b>
Normandy	CG 60
<b>Vessel Class</b>	<b>Previous Vessel Designation (if any)</b>
CG – Ticonderoga-class cruiser	N/A
<b>Vessel Location</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Norfolk, VA	Stricken, Final Disposition Pending

<b>Initial Evaluation Date</b>	<b>Initial Finding</b>
10 March 2026	Ineligible
<b>Final Evaluation Date</b>	<b>Eligibility for Listing to the National Register of Historic Places</b>
N/A	Ineligible

## Vessel Snapshot

<b>Lineage</b>	N/A
<b>Displacement</b>	9992 tons
<b>Length</b>	567 ft
<b>Beam</b>	55 ft
<b>Draft</b>	33 ft
<b>Speed</b>	32.5 knots (60 km/h; 37.4 mph)
<b>Propulsion</b>	4 × General Electric LM2500 Gas Turbine Engines; 2 × Controllable-Reversible Pitch Propellers; 2 × Rudders
<b>Armament</b>	2 × 61 cell Mk 41 vertical launch systems containing 122 × mix of: RIM-66M-5 Standard SM-2MR Block IIIB; RIM-156A SM-2ER Block IV; RIM-161 SM-3; RIM-162A ESSM; RIM-174A Standard ERAM; BGM-109 Tomahawk; RUM-139A VL-ASROC  8 × RGM-84 Harpoon missiles  2 × 5 in (127 mm)/62 caliber Mark 45 Mod 4 lightweight gun  2 × Mk 38 25 mm Machine Gun Systems  2–4 × .50 in (12.7 mm) cal. machine gun  2 × Phalanx CIWS Block 1B  2 × Mk 32 12.75 in (324 mm) triple torpedo tubes
<b>Laid Down</b>	7 April 1987
<b>Launched</b>	19 March 1988
<b>Built By</b>	Bath Iron Works

<b>Sponsor</b>	N/A
<b>Delivered</b>	18 October 1989
<b>Commissioned</b>	9 December 1989
<b>Inactivated</b>	N/A
<b>Decommissioned</b>	26 September 2025
<b>Stricken</b>	26 September 2025

**Vessel History**

<b>Deployment Summary</b>	<p><b>May 8, 1990</b> – Responded to a distress call from USS Conyngham off the coast of Virginia after a major fire in the Forward Fire Room. Normandy’s fire crews boarded via small boat and were instrumental in extinguishing the blaze.</p> <p><b>December 28, 1990</b> – Deployed with USS America Carrier Battle Group to support Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Fired 26 Tomahawk missiles, conducted maritime interdiction operations, and supported mine clearance efforts in the Arabian Gulf.</p> <p><b>August 11, 1993</b> – Deployed to the Adriatic Sea with USS America Carrier Battle Group in support of UN operations in the Former Republic of Yugoslavia. Served as Redcrown air-space controller for Operations Provide Promise, Deny Flight, and Sharp Guard.</p> <p><b>June 27, 1994</b> – Participated in the closing ceremonies for Naval Station New York, then departed for new homeport in Norfolk, Virginia, after nearly four years stationed in Staten Island, New York.</p> <p><b>August 11, 1995</b> – Deployed again to the Adriatic Sea with USS America Battle Group, serving as air-space controller for UN operations.</p> <p><b>August 28, 1995</b> – Began a six-month Mediterranean deployment with USS America Carrier Battle Group.</p> <p><b>September 8, 1995</b> – Transited 1,600 nautical miles across the Mediterranean to the Adriatic. Launched 13 Tomahawk missiles against Bosnian-Serb command-and-control sites during Operation Deliberate Force, paving the way for follow-on NATO airstrikes.</p> <p><b>October 3, 1997</b> – Deployed with USS George Washington Battle Group. Participated in Exercise Bright Star off Egypt before moving at best speed to the Arabian Gulf.</p> <p><b>November 16, 1997 – April 3, 1998</b> – Operated in the Arabian Gulf in support of Operation Southern Watch. Served as Ready Strike platform and</p>
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Area Air Defense Commander for U.S. Fifth Fleet. Returned to Norfolk, Virginia on April 3, 1998.

**June 21 – December 19, 2000** – Six-month deployment to the Arabian Gulf, Adriatic, and Mediterranean Seas. Conducted 15 maritime interdiction boardings in the Arabian Gulf, participated in Operation Southern Watch, and joined NATO exercises *Destined Glory*, *SLUNJ 2000*, and *Sarment 2000*.

**February – September 2001** – Completed eight-month availability with major combat system upgrades. Just prior to completion, the September 11 attacks advanced Normandy's deployment schedule.

**June 20 – December 20, 2002** – Deployed with USS George Washington in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Served as Air Defense Commander for 5th and 6th Fleets, supported Operation Southern Watch, and participated in multinational exercises *Med Shark*, *Destined Glory*, and *Shark Hunt*.

**March 25 – October 2005** – Deployed with USS Kearsarge ESG to the Mediterranean and Northern Persian Gulf.

**April – October 2007** – NATO deployment; became first U.S. warship to circumnavigate Africa, earning Bluenose and Emerald Shellback honors. Awarded Article 5 NATO Medal.

**January 13, 2010** – Ordered to assist in humanitarian relief operations following the Haiti earthquake.

**May 20 – December 12, 2010** – Seven-month Persian Gulf deployment.

**2012** – Two-month deployment to the Baltic Sea, supporting *BaltOps 2012* and *FRUKUS (France, Russia, United Kingdom, USA) 2012* exercises.

**April 20, 2015** – Deployed with USS Theodore Roosevelt off Yemen to intercept suspected Iranian weapons shipments to Houthi rebels.

**September – October 2015** – Operated in 5th Fleet AOR, Arabian Gulf, and Indian Ocean.

**October – November 2017** – Atlantic Ocean operations; fired a Standard Missile SM-2 during exercises.

**April – December 2018** – Deployed with USS Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group to Atlantic, Mediterranean, and Adriatic Seas. Conducted multiple live-fire exercises.

**July – September 2019** – Hurricane Dorian sortie; deployed again in September, operating in Atlantic, Arctic, Mediterranean, Gulf of Oman, and Arabian Sea. Port visits included Manama, Bahrain; Djibouti; and Jebel Ali, UAE.

**February 9, 2020** – While patrolling in the Arabian Sea, interdicted a stateless dhow carrying Iranian-made surface-to-air missiles. Returned to Norfolk, Virginia in June 2020.

**September 2022 – November 2022** – Operations included Halifax, Canada; Cherbourg, France; and Atlantic training. Returned to Norfolk, Virginia in November.

**March 2023** – Conducted Mk.45 gunfire exercise in the Atlantic.

	<p><b>May 2023 – January 2024</b> – Deployed with USS Gerald R. Ford Carrier Strike Group (CSG-12). Operated in Atlantic, Mediterranean, Adriatic, and visited ports including Gothenburg (Sweden), Koper (Slovenia), Rijeka (Croatia), and Bar (Montenegro). Escorted USS Gerald R. Ford and USS Dwight D. Eisenhower in the Mediterranean. Returned to Norfolk, Virginia on January 20, 2024.</p> <p><b>May 2024</b> – Participated in Miami, Florida Fleet Week.</p> <p><b>March 2025</b> – Operated in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Guyana.</p>
<b>Noteworthy Events</b>	<p><b>May 18 – June 6, 1994</b> – In a historic first, USS Normandy embarked nine World War II veterans to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Allied landings in France. Events took place in Portsmouth, United Kingdom, and Le Havre, France. More than 15,000 visitors toured the ship while Normandy’s honor guard and the embarked veterans participated in memorial services and ceremonies on both sides of the English Channel. Normandy served as a centerpiece throughout the two-week commemoration, including national observances at Slapton Sands, UK, on May 31 (attended by U.S. Ambassador Crowe) and at the Normandy beachheads on June 6 (attended by President Bill Clinton).</p>
<b>Awards</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Navy Unit Commendation (1991, 1994, 1995, 1998)</li> <li>2. Navy E Ribbon (1992, 1993, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2018)</li> <li>3. Southwest Asia Service Medal (1991)</li> <li>4. Meritorious Unit Commendation (1996, 2001, 2018, 2020)</li> <li>5. Armed Forces Service Medal (September 1993, November 1993, December 1993, 1994, September 1995, (2) October 1995, November 1995, January 1996, February 1996)</li> <li>6. Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (July 2002, December 2002, 2005, 2010)</li> <li>7. Humanitarian Service Medal (2010)</li> <li>8. Iraqi Campaign Medal (2005)</li> <li>9. Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (1997, 1998, 2000)</li> <li>10. Navy Unit Commendation (1991, 1994, 1995, 1998)</li> <li>11. Armed Forces Service Medal (September 1993, November 1993, December 1993, 1994, August 1995, September 1995, (2) October 1995, November 1995, January 1996, February 1996)</li> <li>12. Southwest Asia Service Medal (1991)</li> </ol>
<b>DANFS* Entry</b>	N/A

*\*Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships*

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

<b>i. Was the vessel awarded an individual Presidential Unit Citation? (A Presidential Unit Citation is awarded to military units that have performed an extremely meritorious or heroic act, usually in the face of an armed enemy.)</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? (The Medal of Honor is awarded for valor in action against an enemy force. The Navy Cross is awarded for extraordinary heroism in action not justifying an award of the Medal of Honor.)</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 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>	<b>Yes:</b> Normandy also holds the distinction of being the first U.S. warship since 1945 to go to war on her maiden cruise, during Operation Desert Storm.
<b>Historic Evaluation Conclusion</b>	Ineligible

<b>Sources</b>	<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Normandy">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Normandy</a>
	<a href="https://www.seaforces.org/usnships/cg/CG-60-USS-Normandy.htm">https://www.seaforces.org/usnships/cg/CG-60-USS-Normandy.htm</a>
	<a href="https://www.hullnumber.com/CG-60">https://www.hullnumber.com/CG-60</a>
	<a href="https://www.nvr.navy.mil/nvr/getHull.htm?shipId=5122">https://www.nvr.navy.mil/nvr/getHull.htm?shipId=5122</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 0 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.

<b>Comments Received</b>	<b>Comment Disposition</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>