

Service School Command Class 23 - 48 (Yeomen) Graduated July 30, 1948 US Naval Training Center San Diego, California
 Back: Harold Leitdaon?sp (San Diego, California), E.J. Joyce (New Jersey "via" California), Marvin D. Stevens (Utah), Frank Gene Wegner (Manning), Gerald G. Escue?sp (Texas), Wilbur "Casey" Karsten (Manning), Gene C. Eversmeyer (Troy, Missouri), Jack K. Ferguson (Fort Worth, Texas), Robert M. Couch (Texas), John Dembrot?sp (Montana), D.O. "Corky" Lewis (Chicago, Illinois), John P. Wilat (California)
 Middle: Albert G. Dias, Jr., Eugene E. Matteson (Rochester, New York), Kenneth R. Melvin (North Platte, Nebraska), Earl G. Jamus?sp (Fort Wayne, Indiana), Billy L. Strathman (Manning), Gerald W. McSinn (Wisconsin), Ace T. Rhine?sp (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania), Bill "Rebel" Haymes (North Carolina), visitor - C. Mohler (Bakersfield, California), Dan "Wally" Mann (Los Angeles, California), Larry Weldoody?sp (Indiana), Maurice A. Catarcio (Cape May, New Jersey) - instructor
 Front: Donald P. Burgess (Hagerstown, Indiana), Paul L. Bryant (Creston, Iowa), Willey Carter (Oregon), #4 unknown, A.J. Nelson (Iowa), Robert L. Gregson (Oregon), J. Larry Daley (Idaho)
 R.C. Frank (Oklahoma - not in picture)
 It is very rare for the Veteran to ID all of his classmates and below are the names in Casey's handwriting - some I couldn't read exactly.

1st Row - left to right.
 1. Donald P. Burgess Hagerstown, Indiana
 2. Paul L. Bryant Creston, Iowa
 3. Willey Carter, Oregon
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 5. J. Larry Daley Idaho
 6. Robert L. Gregson Oregon
 7. Maurice A. Catarcio Cape May, N.J. Instructor

Second Row L-R
 1. Albert G. Dias, Jr.
 2. Eugene E. Matteson Rochester, New York
 3. Kenneth R. Melvin North Platte, Nebraska
 4. Billy L. Strathman Manning, Ind.
 5. Gerald W. McSinn Wisconsin
 6. Ace T. Rhine?sp Philadelphia, Pa.
 7. Bill "Rebel" Haymes - N.C.
 8. Visitor C. Mohler Bakersfield, Calif.
 9. Dan "Wally" Mann Los Angeles, Calif.
 10. Larry Weldoody?sp Indiana
 11. Maurice A. Catarcio Cape May, N.J. Instructor
 12. R.C. Frank Oklahoma (Not in picture)

3rd Row L-R
 1. Harold Leitdaon San Diego, Calif.
 2. E.J. Joyce New Jersey "via" California
 3. Marvin D. Stevens Utah
 4. Frank Gene Wegner (Manning)
 5. Gerald G. Escue?sp Texas
 6. Gene C. Eversmeyer Troy, Mo.
 7. Jack K. Ferguson Fort Worth, Texas
 8. Robert M. Couch Texas
 9. John Dembrot?sp Montana
 10. D.O. "Corky" Lewis Chicago, Ill.
 11. John P. Wilat California
 12. R.C. Frank Oklahoma (Not in picture)



Casey Karsten 9th row 8th from left - Bill Strathman front row 1st on left - Frank Wegner 2nd row 6th over from the left
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 12 FEBRUARY 1948



Luck QM1, Currier YN3, Karsten YNSN on the CHARA



Camp Wood dormitory U.S. military base, near Kumamoto, Japan



Camp Wood - Currier standing next to the bus



Fulfer ME3 - R&R while stationed at Camp Wood



Back on the CHARA - forward view



USS CHARA AKA-58 the ship Casey spent his time on while overseas

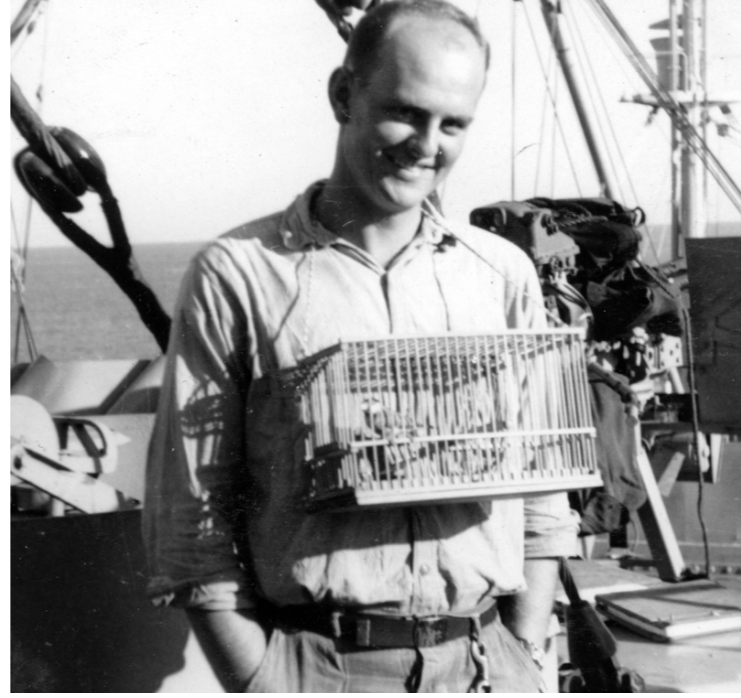


CHARA - port side hatch

The rest of the pictures were scanned in order from page 1 through the last page. I assume they would be fairly chronological so that is the order in which I'll show them. It gives a rough time-line and locations that Casey was serving at.



Currier YN3 and Karsten YNSN on the CHARA



Proud QM3 with what looks like a parakeet in a cage of some sort



Currier on the USS CHARA - I sent this picture to a Naval man to see if he can identify what this device is.