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Crew of USS Yorktown (CG-48) Plans Visit/Special Exhibit During Yorktown Day Weekend

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The crew of the USS Yorktown (CG-48) returns to historic Yorktown to participate in our local Yorktown Day events on Friday, October 18, and Saturday, October 19 (Yorktown Day).

To commemorate this event and the service of the USS Yorktown (CG-48), the USS Yorktown (CG-48) Association is opening a **special exhibit of memorabilia from the ship with a short program presented by the Commissioning Commander, Captain Carl Anderson, at 1 p.m. in the York County Historical Museum at York Hall (301 Main Street)**. This special exhibit is available October 18 from 1 to 3:15 p.m., October 19 from 10 a.m. to 3:15 p.m., and October 20, from 1 to 3:15 p.m. Entrance to the museum and exhibits is free.

On October 18 at 5 p.m., a wreath laying ceremony is planned to honor the Ship's Sponsor, Mary "Miss Mary" Mathews, at her gravesite near the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown. Miss Mary was the only naturalized citizen to sponsor a U.S. Navy ship. When the ship would return to Yorktown following deployments, the crew played "God Bless America" over the sound system and salute Miss Mary as she stood on the shore waving an American Flag. The wreath laying is open to the public.



On October 19, the USS Yorktown (CG-48) Association is participating in the 10:30 a.m. Parade on Main Street and the 11:15 a.m. patriotic services at the Victory Monument. These events are free. To view the schedule of Yorktown Day events, visit <https://bit.ly/33fcYiu>.

About the USS Yorktown (CG-48): The second guided missile cruiser in the Ticonderoga Class, the ship was commissioned at the pier of Naval Weapons Station Yorktown on July 4, 1984. The ship protected America over the next 20 years until it was decommissioned and struck on December 10, 2004. The ship is berthed at the Naval Inactive Ships Maintenance Facility in Philadelphia.