

USS HARVEY C. BARNUM, JR. (DDG-124)



A Distinguished History

Born July 21, 1940, in Cheshire, Connecticut, Harvey C. Barnum Jr. earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from St. Anselm College before becoming a Marine Artillery Officer. In 1958 Barnum joined the Marine Corps and was later commissioned a second lieutenant in 1962. Barnum served two tours in Vietnam: In 1965 as an artillery forward observer with company H, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines, 3d Marine Division, and in 1968 as the Commanding Officer of Battery E, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines, 3d Marine Division. At 25, Captain Barnum became the fourth Marine to earn the nation's highest honor, the Medal of Honor, for valor in Vietnam. After more than 27 years of commissioned service, Colonel Barnum retired in August of 1989. Barnum continued his public service and was sworn in as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Reserve Affairs on July 23, 2001. On Jan. 20, 2009, Barnum was designated Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs. In 2016, the destroyer USS Harvey C. Barnum Jr. (DDG 124) was named in his honor.

The first wave of crewmembers arrived in May of 2021. USS Harvey C. Barnum Jr. is 513 feet long and 66 feet wide with a displacement of approximately 9,200 tons. Her propulsion system will drive it to speeds over 30 knots, and she will accommodate a crew size of 304 Sailors. She will use a gas-turbine propulsion plant and Integrated Power System. Harvey C. Barnum Jr. will make use of the latest technology and weapon systems.

The keel of the future USS Harvey C. Barnum Jr. (DDG 124) was ceremoniously laid at General Dynamics Bath Iron Works (BIW) shipyard, April 6, 2023.

On July 29, 2023, the U.S. Navy christened the Arleigh Burke Flight IIA destroyer, the future USS Harvey C. Barnum Jr. (DDG 124), during a ceremony at General Dynamics Bath Iron Works in Bath, Maine.



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