

ROY E. PETERS

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J.C. Campbell, President

Dear J.C.,

Enclosed is the revised list of the 74 souls that were lost in the collision of the U.S.S. Frank E. Evans and the H.M.A.S. Melbourne on that fateful morning of June 3, 1969.

As you are aware, John Gamber and I had reviewed the list that was in use and saw several mistakes that we felt needed correcting. I think the previous list had been provided by the Navy and was compiled from their records, based on the information they had on file at the time. Several of the men had received promotions in rank that were not reflected on the list. Out of respect for our shipmates, John and I have attempted to correct this based on information we obtained from articles in the June 5 and 6 edition of "Pacific Stars and Stripes", Armed Forces Newspaper, the 1968 Frank E. Evans cruise book, and our own recollections.

John and I will readily concede that this list still may not be exact, but we take comfort in knowing that it is more current than the previous list.

We are glad to provide this list to the association.

In Memory Of The 74.
Lest We Forget



Roy "PETE" Peters