

**OLD Reunion Hall Table for:
LORSTA Wake Island**

On 12/21/07 JESSE DENTON said:

I WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL WAKE ISLANDERS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR. BEST WISHES EVERYBODY

On 01/09/07 Ray Willis said:

Jay, it's good to hear from you! Congrats on your retirement! Left NC in 2005. Got remarried to a girl from FL. We moved to AZ and been here almost 2 yrs. We've had it here, especially living too close to the border. We bought a place in Havana FL and as soon as we sell this house we'll be there. We both miss the South and friendly people. Keep in touch.

On 01/08/07 Jay Ansley said:

Ray how you doing. Are you still in N.C or did you go back up to Ct.. I moved back to Ga last year. Got tired of the rat race in Md and retired man is it great. The CO's name was Wustneck. Beal had to kill the hammerhead after I left. Do remember you guys. I was only there a short time after you got there. Met another guy in Md that was on Wake when the station was built

On 12/27/06 Ray Willis said:

Hey Beal and Ansley. I remember you guys well. Do you recall that a rescue detachment was assigned to Wake in '65? I was part of that group. We shared the chow hall and also the same skipper with a Polish name that began with 'W' (Weitzel?) Do you remember when you killed the hammerhead, Carl, and then left it on the CG beach to rot! Davis, Gore, Chief Shaw, Brushwood were the other guys.

On 08/01/06 C>L> DUNN< BMCM RET said:

I stoped b on Wake 60 and 61 going to and from LORSTA Matsumae. Going on aa C54 MATS flt and coing back on a CG 130. Looked pretty desolate to me..

On 08/20/04 Jim Devantier said:

Greeting to all! I was an ET3 in '75-'76 during the refugee program. Sandy and Jesse...you guys must have been in right after I left. Felix was there when I got there. I've even got a few pictures of him. Mr. Austin and Chief Sanchez were there when I left . I still think about Wake often and have many fond memories. Spent a lot of time at the Drifter's Reef. I also worked in the movie theater as a projectionist. Anyone know what happen to my two vehicles? One was a tan 1968 Dodge van called 'Pandora' that had black doors on the back. The other was a pucky green '64 Chevy Biscayne called 'Ruby Beauford'. I located Marcus Blanco through another site called 'Richard's Ramblings'. Anyone remember Marcus? He's down in New Orleans now. I've got bunches of photos that I'll be scanning this weekend. If all goes well I'll upload them to the Photo Album.

On 03/30/04 JESSE DENTON said:

SANDY, T-SHIRT WORE OUT A LONG TIME AGO. BUT I STILL HAVE THE DECAL. HAVE YOU SEEN LORD OF THE RING YET? I AM WORKING AT A SPEAKER BUILDING PLANT.

On 01/23/04 C. A. (Sandy) Schwaab said:

I was EPO (MK1/C) in '76 - '77. Served with LTs 'Loose Bruce' Austin & Mike Blume. To Jesse Denton - I still have my 'Felix's Raiders' T-shirt. To others, Felix was our mascot, a wild cat that lived in the generator room.

On 02/21/02 Jay Ansley said:

Hey Carl Beal - Yes there are still some of us still out here . I was there from Nov 64 to Nov 65. You relieved a FN by the name of Williams. I'm not the best on namen but I rember Woods ET, Wagoner ET, Durkey ET, Laidlaw a SN.

On 06/19/01 Carl Beal said:

I was transfered to Wake from USCGC Coos Bay mid 65 and served 1 year as FN. Anyone from that era still out there?

On 04/27/01 John Wood said:

Sent to Wake from bootcamp in Alameda, June 1966 to July 1967, anyone still out there?? I was a lowly seaman sent out there to stand Loran watches, hope to hear from former 'shipmates'

On 01/01/01 JON von KESSEL CWO4 said:

Made two trips to Wake back in 1972 to conduct DI inspections. Very interesting place with a few good benefits for the crew and later their families.

On 10/15/00 Ray Willis said:

I was an RM1 at CGRESCUE Wake. We shared same CO and many meals together during 6/65-6/66

On 06/13/00 Jay Silberman said:

Hi, I'm an environmental specialist in D14, looking to help out USAF. They have Wake now, and are doing contaminant site investigations. One of the areas they're looking at is the old lorsta. Can you describe to me where the landfill is, and whether transformers and/or other hazmat was buried there? Thanks. [Note: no one will get into any kind of trouble for providing this info]

On 02/23/00 Vince Reyes said:

Anyone out there ever stationed on Wake Island? If so there is A reunion every so often in Las Vegas. E-mail me and will let you know of the next one.

On 06/16/99 David D. Hack said:

Hello,I am looking for any one that was on Wake Island from 1958 to 1959 My Name is David D. Hack

On 05/16/99 jesse denton said:

i was on wake isl in 1976 and 1977does anyone remember felix

On 10/21/98 Perry Campbell said:

Was stationed at Wake as ET1 for a couple of months in '65--then District decided that I was needed(?) at Eniwetok so spent therest of my isolated tour there. Unfortunately, don't rememberany names--just wasn't there long enough--did(!) enjoy what timeI had, though.

On 09/03/98 conrad wicht said:

Reported aboard Sept 7,1952 as ET3. Had been on Lorsta Roguron,Majuro Atoll and Ebeye, Kwajalein Atoll in 50-51. On Sept 16,52typhoon hit.I signed off the loran log at about 1020 hours after part of theroof disappeared.The aerometer at the terminal quite at 129mph,newspapers reported 140 mph winds. Hardship transfers were offeredto the crew. Having 11 months left to do,I opted to return to Honoulufor reassigment. A Ltjg Thomas J. Collins was CO. Always

wondered where he is today?

On 09/03/98 Jim Fournier said:

CO of unit March 1957 to April 1958; relieved Bud Matthew. About 750 people on the island: CAC, PanAm, Transocean Airlines, Army Scatter Station, Air Force Project Seaweed, Navy SAR unit from Kwajalein and 30 or so Coasties. About three months before I left, CGC KUKUI arrived to rebuild the station. Lots of WWII material still around, including unexploded munitions. The LORSTA was a slave to Ebie on Kwajalein Atoll. Elevation was 3' above sea level. We had about 60 to 90 flight ops daily as the prop driven passenger planes hop-scotched across the Pacific.

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