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Subject: **Military ships & bases named for Harvard Alumni**

Harvard graduates have a long history as leaders both in the government as well as in the United States military. As noted below, 14 Navy ships as well as an Army Fort and an Air Force Base have been named in honor of Harvard graduates. Three of the below warriors were Medal of Honor recipients (i.e. General Leonard Wood USA, Admiral Claud Jones USN and President Teddy Roosevelt, for when he was a Lt. Colonel in the Rough Riders). Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy USNR was killed in action during World War II and posthumously received the Navy Cross. Colonel Raynal Bolling USA was a fighter pilot and the first senior officer killed in action during World War I. He was posthumously awarded the Army Distinguished Service Medal. Lt. John F. Kennedy USNR received the Navy & Marine Corps Medal, which in order of precedence ranks between the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star. Captain Kermit Roosevelt USA was the son of President Theodore Roosevelt and recipient of the Military Cross, which is the British version of the Silver Star. Four of the below military units were name for Harvard alumni who were Presidents of the United States. Charles Francis Adams III was the Secretary of the Navy under President Hoover and father of Lt Commander Charles Francis Adams IV USNR (H-32) founder and former chairman of Raytheon, who is listed in the Notable Harvard military veterans file. **All gave some and some gave all.**

## **Ship / base**

## **[Harvard grad class]**

### **USAF**

Bolling Air Force Base

[RB = H-1900 & HLS-1902]

### **Army**

Fort Leonard Wood

[LW\*\* = HMS-1884]

### **Navy**

USS John Adams (SSBN 6200)

[JA = H-1755]

USS John Adams (Frigate launched in Chas. SC in 1799 & later a corvette)

[JA = H-1755]

USS Adams (Frigate launched in NYC in 1799)

[JA = H-1755]

USS Spiegel Grove\* (LSD 32) =

[HLS-1845]

USS Charles Francis Adams (DDG 2)

[CFA III = H-1888]

USS Kermit Roosevelt (ARG 16)

[KP = H-1912]

USS Claud Jones (DE 103)

[CJ\*\* = HGS 1913]

USS Theodore Roosevelt (US Navy troop transport steamer)

[TR\*\* = H-1880]

USS Theodore Roosevelt (SSBN 600)

[TR\*\* = H-1880]

USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71)

[TR\*\* = H-1880]

USS Franklin Delano Roosevelt (CV 42)

[FDR = H-1904]

USS Roosevelt (DDG 80)

[FDR = H-1904]

USS Joseph P. Kennedy (DD 850)

[JPK = H-1938]

USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67)

[JFK = H-1940]

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\* Presidential estate of Rutherford B Hayes in Fremont, OH = 1<sup>st</sup> ship of Capt. P.E. Mawn USN (Ret.).

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