

WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ORDERS TO USS RALPH JOHNSON. WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU JOIN OUR TEAM AND WELCOME YOU TO EVERETT, WASHINGTON. THE BEAUTIFUL PACIFIC NORTHWEST (PNW) IS ONE OF THE MILITARY'S BEST DUTY STATIONS WITH HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS, DIVERSE OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND OUTSTANDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES. AN ARRAY OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE PNW NAVAL FAMILY CAN BE FOUND AT [HTTPS://EVERETT.NAVYLIFEPNW.COM](https://everett.navylifepnw.com).

YOU HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED A SPONSOR WHO IS HERE TO ASSIST YOU IN YOUR TRANSITION AND BECOMING ACCUSTOMED TO THE AREA AFTER YOU REPORT ONBOARD. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SPONSOR AS SOON AS YOU CAN:  
SPONSOR(AT)DDG114.NAVY.MIL.  
THE COMMAND OMBUDSMEN MRS. AMY KRAUSE AND MRS. CHRISTINE COUMBE MAY BE CONTACTED AT DDG114OMBUDSMAN(AT)GMAIL.COM

PLEASE INFORM YOUR SPONSOR IF YOUR TRANSFER WILL BE ACCOMPANIED OR UNACCOMPANIED. ADDITIONALLY, PROVIDE THE NAMES, AGES, AND RELATIONSHIP OF YOUR DEPENDENTS. OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY OUTSTANDING SUPPORT THROUGHOUT YOUR TOUR, BEGINNING NOW. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT RALPH JOHNSON AND OUR CREW VISIT OUR WEBPAGE, [HTTPS://WWW.PUBLIC.NAVY.MIL/SURFOR/DDG114](https://www.public.navy.mil/surfor/ddg114).

NAVAL STATION EVERETT HOUSING OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 2000 W MARINE VIEW DR BLDG 2000 RM 140 EVERETT, WA 98207 AND CAN BE REACHED AT 800-876-7022 AND EVERETT-HOUSING(AT)NAVYLIFEPNW.COM. FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT [HTTPS://EVERETT.NAVYLIFEPNW.COM /HOUSING](https://everett.navylifepnw.com/housing).

RALPH JOHNSON HONORS THE COURAGE AND BRAVERY OF PFC. RALPH H. JOHNSON, A MARINE RECON SCOUT WHO SELFLESSLY GAVE HIS LIFE FOR HIS COUNTRY IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ON MARCH 5, 1968. AS PART OF A 15 MAN PATROL DEEP WITHIN ENEMY TERRITORY, HIS SQUAD CAME UNDER ATTACK BY A PLATOON- SIZE ENEMY FORCE. A GRENADE WAS THROWN INTO PFC JOHNSONS THREE-MAN FIGHTING HOLE WHILE THE ENEMY RACED UP THE HILL. AFTER WARNING HIS TEAMMATES, HE SELFLESSLY DOVE ON THE GRENADE KILLING HIMSELF INSTANTLY AND SAVING HIS FELLOW MARINES. HIS ACTION PREVENTED THE ENEMY FROM OVERRUNNING HIS PLATOONS POSITION. FOR HIS SELFLESS BRAVERY, PFC JOHNSON WAS AWARDED THE MEDAL OF HONOR. OUR SHIP WILL EXEMPLIFY PFC JOHNSONS WARRIOR MENTALITY.

YOUR TOUR ON RALPH JOHNSON WILL BE EXTREMELY REWARDING AND WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL PRIDE. WELCOME ABOARD!