

USS POWER DD 839

Monday May 6, 2024

SWORD CUTTING CEREMONY

8:00 PM Elizabeth-James Hall

TRADITION

Around the cake is a diverse mix of personnel, Young and Old, Junior and Senior.

The President of the USS POWER DD 839 ASSOC **Harry Daub** produces a sword from the cart.
Cuts the first piece of cake.

Chairman (**John Pinto**) announces,

As the first piece is sliced off with the sword, It is then presented to the Senior Shipmate present and the first to come aboard the USS POWER DD 839 Tonight the Senior and First to come Aboard in **1961** Shipmate **Mike Farrens** Enlisted in the Navy and served aboard from **1961-1963** as rate **SN** The Senior Shipmate then passes his piece of cake to the Junior and last to leave (Decommissioned) To the Junior Shipmate last to leave the ship present tonight is **Marvin Cannon** Enlisted in the Navy and served aboard from **1972-1975** as rate **YN3** .

Symbolizes the passing of history and traditions from one generation to the next
Passing of the cake from the Senior Shipmate to the Junior Shipmate.

Start the Ceremony: Chairman: John Pinto

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The first piece of cake is given to the Senior Shipmate (**Mike Farrens**)

Upon receiving the first piece of cake:

The Senior Shipmate will in turn pass it on to the Junior Shipmate (**Marvin Cannon**) signifying the passing of experience and knowledge from Senior to Junior further emphasizing the fact that we care for our Junior Shipmates before we look to our own needs

Pause

(and so it must be.)

Junior Shipmate

Senior Shipmate

CAKE



Marvin Cannon



Mike Farrens

