Class of 1966 United States Naval Academy

A Legacy in Stone, Water, and Learning

Over six decades, the Class of 1966 has given to the Naval Academy in many forms — scholarships for the children of Classmates who have died, memorials that teach visitors the cost of naval service, endowed staff positions, a racing shell, athletic facilities, a portrait, benches for grieving families, and a gate at the front of the Alumni House. What follows is a plain-language guide to each of those fifteen gifts, written for the families and friends of Classmates. The numbers below match the pins on the map at the end of this document.

Honoring Our Classmates and Their Families

1. **Scholarship Program for Children of Deceased Classmates.** *Class program — no single building.* A Class-funded college scholarship program for the sons and daughters of Class of 1966 Classmates who have died. It was run by the Class itself, outside the U.S. Naval Academy Alumni Association.

14. **Support for Widows' Attendance at Recent Reunions.** *Class reunion venues, Annapolis (Alumni Hall shown).* Class funds that cover registration and event costs so the widows of Classmates can attend Class reunions as full members of the Class family.

13. **Memorial Benches at the Columbarium.** *United States Naval Academy Cemetery and Columbarium, Hospital Point.* Benches placed at the Naval Academy Columbarium, where the ashes of graduates rest in marble niches overlooking College Creek, giving visiting families a place to sit and remember.

Memorials at Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium

4. **Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium — Memorial Battle Arch.** *Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, 550 Taylor Avenue.* One of the memorial arches that ring the stadium, pairing a bronze plaque about a historic naval or Marine Corps battle with the story of the sacrifice made there — the reason the stadium is a memorial and not simply an athletic field.

5. **Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium — South Memorial Gardens.** *South end of Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.* Landscaped memorial gardens at the stadium's south end, holding plaques, statues, and dedication markers honoring those who served in the Navy and Marine Corps.

6. **Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium — Battle Names.** *Stadium facade, Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.* The battle and campaign names carved into the stone facade — Guadalcanal, Iwo Jima, Coral Sea, Yankee Station, and others. The Class funded inscriptions in this permanent roll of naval and Marine Corps engagements.

7. **Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium — F/A-18 Hornet Monument Honoring Hank and Randi Nothhaft.** *Stadium grounds, Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.* The Blue Angels F/A-18 Hornet aircraft displayed on the stadium grounds, with a plaque thanking Classmate Henry (Hank) Nothhaft '66 and his wife Randi for their generosity to the Naval Academy.

Academic and Leadership Programs

2. **Stockdale Center for Ethical Leadership — Director of Strategy and Research.** *Luce Hall, the Yard.* The Class helped underwrite a senior staff position at the Vice Admiral James B. Stockdale Center for Ethical Leadership, the Academy's ethics center, named for VADM James B. Stockdale '47, Medal of Honor recipient and Vietnam prisoner of war.

9. **Center for Cyber Security Studies Support.** *Hopper Hall, the Yard.* Support for the Naval Academy Center for Cyber Security Studies, housed in Hopper Hall — named for Rear Admiral Grace Hopper — the first building at any U.S. service academy dedicated to cyber security education.

3. **United States Naval Academy Museum Renovation Support.** *Preble Hall, the Yard.* Support for the renovation of the Naval Academy Museum in Preble Hall, home to the Academy's collection of ship models, flags, paintings, and naval artifacts.

11. **Portrait of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz in Nimitz Library.** *Nimitz Library, the Yard.* A commissioned portrait of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, USNA Class of 1905 and Commander-in-Chief, Pacific, during World War II, hanging in the library that bears his name.

Athletics

10. Athletic Excellence Program Support. *Ricketts Hall / Ron Terwilliger '63 Center for Student-Athletes, the Yard.* Gifts to the Fund for Athletic Excellence, which provides coaching, training, travel, and facility support for Navy's varsity teams beyond what appropriated funds cover.

8. The 1966 Crew Shell. *Hubbard Hall (the Boat House), the Yard.* A racing shell given by the Class and named for the Class of 1966, rowed by Navy crew and housed at Hubbard Hall, the historic boathouse of Navy rowing on Dorsey Creek.

12. Prusmack Rugby Center. *Brigade Sports Complex, 64 Greenbury Point Road, across the Severn River.* Support for the Prusmack Rugby Center, the home of Navy rugby, which opened in 2016 with three full-size pitches and spectator stands.

The Alumni Association and the Yard

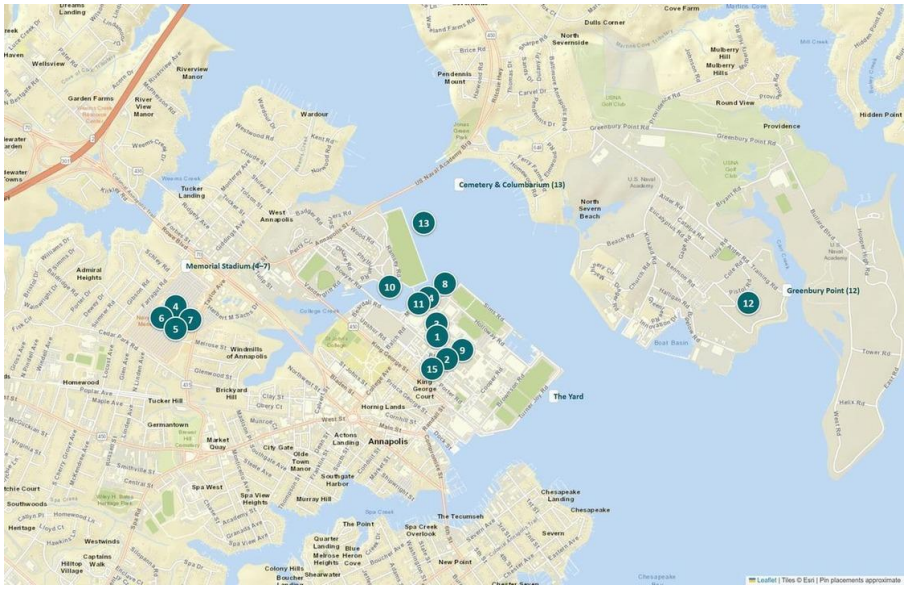
15. Gate at the New Alumni House — Gift of the Spadafora Family. *United States Naval Academy Alumni Association Alumni House, King George Street area.* An entrance gate at the Alumni Association's new Alumni House, given by the Spadafora family of the Class of 1966.

A Note for Visitors

Most of these sites sit inside the Yard, the walled grounds of the Naval Academy, reached on foot from Gate 1 at the foot of King George Street. The stadium memorials are about a mile and a half northwest of the Yard on Taylor Avenue. The Cemetery and Columbarium lie at the northern edge of the Yard on Hospital Point, and the rugby complex is across the Severn River at Greenbury Point. Photo identification is required for adult visitors entering Academy grounds.

Map of the Sites

The numbers on the map match the numbered entries above. Pin placements are approximate and are meant to guide a visitor to the right building or grounds; the entries that are programs rather than places are pinned at the location most closely associated with them.



All fifteen sites across Annapolis: the Yard, Navy–Marine Corps Memorial Stadium (4–7), the Cemetery and Columbarium (13), and Greenbury Point (12).

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The Interactive Map

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