

Vice Adm. Guy Hamilton Burrage

(14 Jun 1867 - 16 Jun 1954)

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Contookcook, N.H., Vice Admiral Guy H. Burrage, USN Retired,

one-time commandant of the Fifth Naval District and the naval operating base at Norfolk, VA died at his summer home yesterday. He was 87. Admiral Burrage headed the Fifth District at the time of his retirement in 1931 after 44 years' service. In 1919 he was commandant of the Norfolk Navy Yard. He leaves his widow, Mary Burrage, 2 daughters and 9 grandchildren. Funeral services were scheduled for this afternoon at Hopkinton with burial in Congressional Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

Rear Admiral Guy H. Burrage, United States Navy, and president of the Board of Inspection and Survey, Office of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C., was promoted to his present rank June 27, 1920. He had held the rank of temporary rear admiral, having been so commissioned while in command of the battleship Nebraska, which was in the convoy service during the latter part of the World War.

Rear Admiral Burrage was born at Lowell, Massachusetts, June 14, 1867, son of Hamilton and Mary Howe (Davis) Burrage. He was appointed to the United States Naval Academy and was graduated in 1887. During the years he has been in the navy he has risen steadily through the grades to his present rank and has seen the following service: Lieutenant, junior grade, on the Wheeling, Spanish-American War; executive office of the Washington and then on the Connecticut, 1907-10; commanded the Albatross, 1910-12; at Naval War College, Newport, R.I., 1912; on duty U.S. Naval Academy, 1912-14; commandant of midshipmen, Naval Academy, 1914-15; commanded the Nebraska, 1915-19; attached to office of naval operations, Navy Department, Washington, D.C., 1919; commandant, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Virginia, 1919; now president of the Board of Inspection and Survey.

On September 4, 1894, he married Mary Ricketts Graham, of California, and has three daughters -- Mrs. W.W. Gwathmey, Jr.; Mrs. Barton Myers, Jr.; and Miss Charlotte Meade Burrage.

He is a member of the Army and Navy Club, Washington, D.C. [Prominent Personages of the Nation's Capitol]