

## The Freedom Committee of Orange County



**Amphibious Force Insignia**



**Pearl Harbor Survivor Medal**



**Name:** Howard C. Bender

**Rank:** Chief Yeoman

**Branch of Service;** U. S. Navy

**Unit** USS Maryland, USS McCawley, USS Crescent City

**Specialty:** Stenographer, Record keeping, Deck and Summary Courts Marital, Ship's History, Gunnery and Ordnance Inventories

**Active Duty Dates:** February 2, 1941 to February 10, 1949

**Armed Conflicts** WWII

**Theater of Operations:** Pacific Theater

**Campaigns:** Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal to Bougainville Solomon Islands. Logistic support groups with Air, Submarine Anti-mine action in forward battle zones.

**Decorations & Awards:** Navy Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, American Defense, American Theater, WW II Victory Medal, Sea Service Ribbon, USN Overseas Ribbon, USN Expeditionary Medal, Naval Reserve Medal, Pearl Harbor Congressional Commemorative Medal.

**Speaking Subjects:** Pearl Harbor and the Pacific War