



"For God and Country"



CHIEF MOTOR MACHINIST MATE NELSON A. CUMMINS - NAVY

Dates of Service: 1941 - 1945

Locations of Service: NTB Great Lakes, IL; Tampa, FL; Caribbean; Pacific; Okinawa.



"Nelson Cummins listened to the broadcast of the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Japanese assault on the Philippines, and Roosevelt's "Day of Infamy" speech. A week later, 41-year-old Cummins enlisted in the US Navy . . ."

"... Two days after the initial assault on Okinawa, Chief Cummins was detailed to go ashore to operate the diesel generators for the Fleet Admiral's radio communications. His Destroyer Escort was sunk by a kamikaze plane while he was on shore duty."

