"For God and Country"

S1/c James R. Johnston (NAVY)

Ships: USS Chowanoc (ATF 100)

USS General M.L. Hersey (AP 148)

Dates of Service: 1944-1946

Location of Service: PTO

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To you who answered the call of your country and served in its Armed Forces to bring about the total defeat of the enemy, I extend the heartfelt thanks of a grateful Nation. As one of the Nation's finest, you undertook the most severe task one can be called upon to perform. Because you demonstrated the fortitude, resourcefulness and calm judgment necessary to carry out that task, we now look to you for leadership and example in further exalting our country in peace.

Harry Truman

THE WHITE HOUSE

U.S.S. HERSEY
AP-148
FLAGSHIP
C.T.U. 33.457
THE FIRST
TRANSPORT TASK
UNIT INTO
TOKYO BAY
SEPTEMBER 1945

U.S.S. GENERAL M. L. HERSEY (AP 148)

CORRESPONDENCE March 15-1946

Hello Evan Lee:

How you, the worm & the old fliver getting along? This is a picture of my ship. You can see something of what it looks like. I get lost every time I leave my compt. Ha Ha. Tell Robin I'll write him as soon as I get a chance. Are you going with Esther Ann? Sister are both pretty cute but that's about as far as it goes. Drop me a letter & let me know how things are doing.

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To
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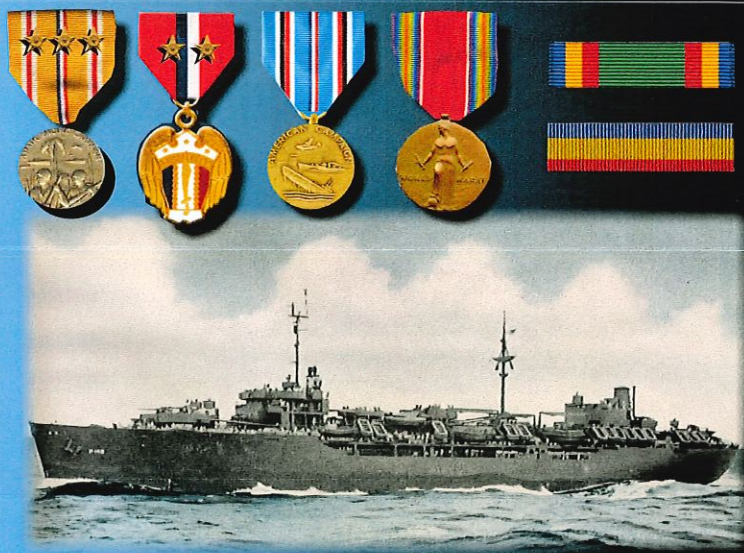
I'll write you a long letter as soon as I get some stationary but I thought I'd write you a line on this so you'll owe me one. Ha Ha. Will am out of space as will close for now.

Your Bud
Jamie