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**Navy League**  
of the United States  
**Palm Beach Council**  
*Citizens in Support of the Sea Services*

## ***Memorial Service – 12 Dec 2015***

### ***John “JACK” Hanscom***

***Commander, U.S. Navy Reserves (Retired)***

***Council President – Palm Beach Council***

A memorial service was conducted for Council President Jack Hanscom at Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC), West Palm Beach on Saturday, Dec 12<sup>th</sup>.



NOSC Commanding Officer Trent Westhoff and Senior Enlisted Advisor Chief David Stuart took great pains to make their facility available to honor Jack, a 30-yr Navy Reserve Officer. A NOSC Honor Guard led by Chief Petty Officer Hernandez executed Navy honors and presented Jack’s wife Jiansying with the folded flag.

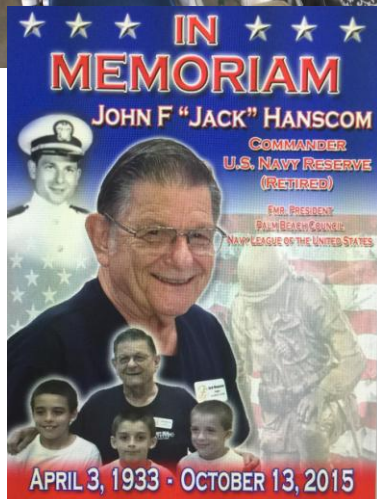
The service was led by Council Exec VP Ken Lee, with assistance from musician Linda Pang, Navy Chaplain Kim House and Council Directors Sonia Foster and Phil Dunmire.



Jack's son John of Lake Worth gave a moving and historically informative eulogy honoring his Dad. He told us of Jack's early Navy days and of his ranch and real estate activities of many years in California.



The cadets and staff from Young Marines of the Palm Beaches and Palm Beach Division & AmVets Division Sea Cadets attended and also served as greeters, ushers and overall assistants as tasks arose.



The impressive memorial poster created by the Young Marines was on display at the entrance to the drill hall.



Many of Jack and Jianying's friends from the local Chinese American community also attended to honor Jack and support Jianying. Mrs Chia Hua Yang was especially helpful in multiple roles to make this attendance possible; she is shown here next to Jianying and with friends Linda Pang and Cathy Diederiks



A big thank you is due to Council members Dan and Elinor Pedrick for leading the organization and execution of the service and the catered reception that followed. They were assisted by Catherine Brister who added flower decorations to the tables among many tasks, and Nancy Fish who coordinated the tasking of the cadets.

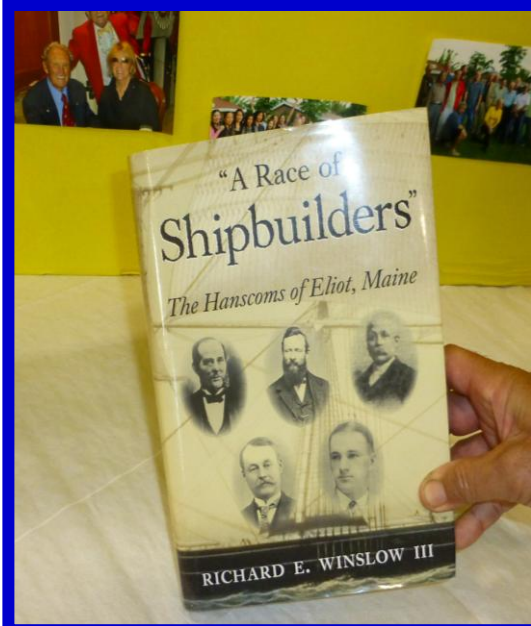
Thanks also to Eric Rydstrom, Joan Ross, Lou Palumbo and Irena Gannon who contributed to fund the reception. A lovely array of sandwiches, fruit & cheese, beverages and desserts was provided ..... and consumed!

The service honored a proud Navy Reserve and Navy League man, and we know he enjoyed the respect and affection paid to him on this somber day.

Other pictures from the day are shown on following pages.









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