

## **BOB STEPHAN**

**USCGC POINT YOUNG (WPB-82303) – Mar68 to Mar69**

**Presidential Unit Citation – 18 Oct 68 to 5 Dec 68**

**Presidential Unit Citation – 6 Dec 68 to 31 Mar 69**

**Navy Unit Commendation – 1 Jun 68 to 31 Dec 68**

**Navy Unit Commendation – 16 Jan 69 to 30 Jun 69**

### **March 2, 2021 – Bill Carr E-mail to Patricia Stephan**

Pat...I found a couple of references to Bob in my Ship's Log and in a letter I wrote to my wife on April 18, 1968. Bob had been riding with me on my gunboat on a patrol in mid-March in preparation of his taking his own command. I was in Cat Lo at that time in transit to take command of another gunboat. I made mention that Bob was a very good chess player. I don't know that I ever won a match.

### **Golden Journeys Booklet – 2015**

In March of 1968, Bob took command of CGC POINT YOUNG, an 82 footer in Vietnam. PT YOUNG was one of ten Point Class cutters that made up the Eleventh division of United States Coast Guard Squadron One in Vietnam. The Eleventh Division was based at An Thoi, a small fishing village on Phu Quoc Island just off the southern coast of Vietnam. He was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal with Valor and the Gallantry Cross Medal.

### **Coast Guard Awards and Medals Board – List of CG Units Coming Under Hostile Fire**

**August 30, 2004**

**Encl. (16) to COMDTINST 650.25b MEDALS AND AWARDS MANUAL**

**POINT YOUNG – 7 Aug 68, 8 Oct 68, 9 Oct 68, 26 Oct 68 and 23 Feb 69**

### **April 18, 1968 – Bill Carr Letter to Judy Carr - Excerpt**

Bob Stephan is here from the class along with Dave Faurot, Carl Helman, Chris Christianson, Denny Kurtz, John Schwartz and Paul Blayney.

### **March 14, 1968 – Bill Carr Letter to Judy Carr - Excerpt**

...Bob Stephan is riding with me on the PT ARDEN this patrol. He is a good chess player

GOL-350/Stephan – Breaking ice for ore carriers and takers in the winter time...(in the Great Lakes)... with sudden violent storms and sub-zero temperatures was much more challenging than the 60 foot seas found occasionally on ocean station patrols or in a typhoon in Vietnam.