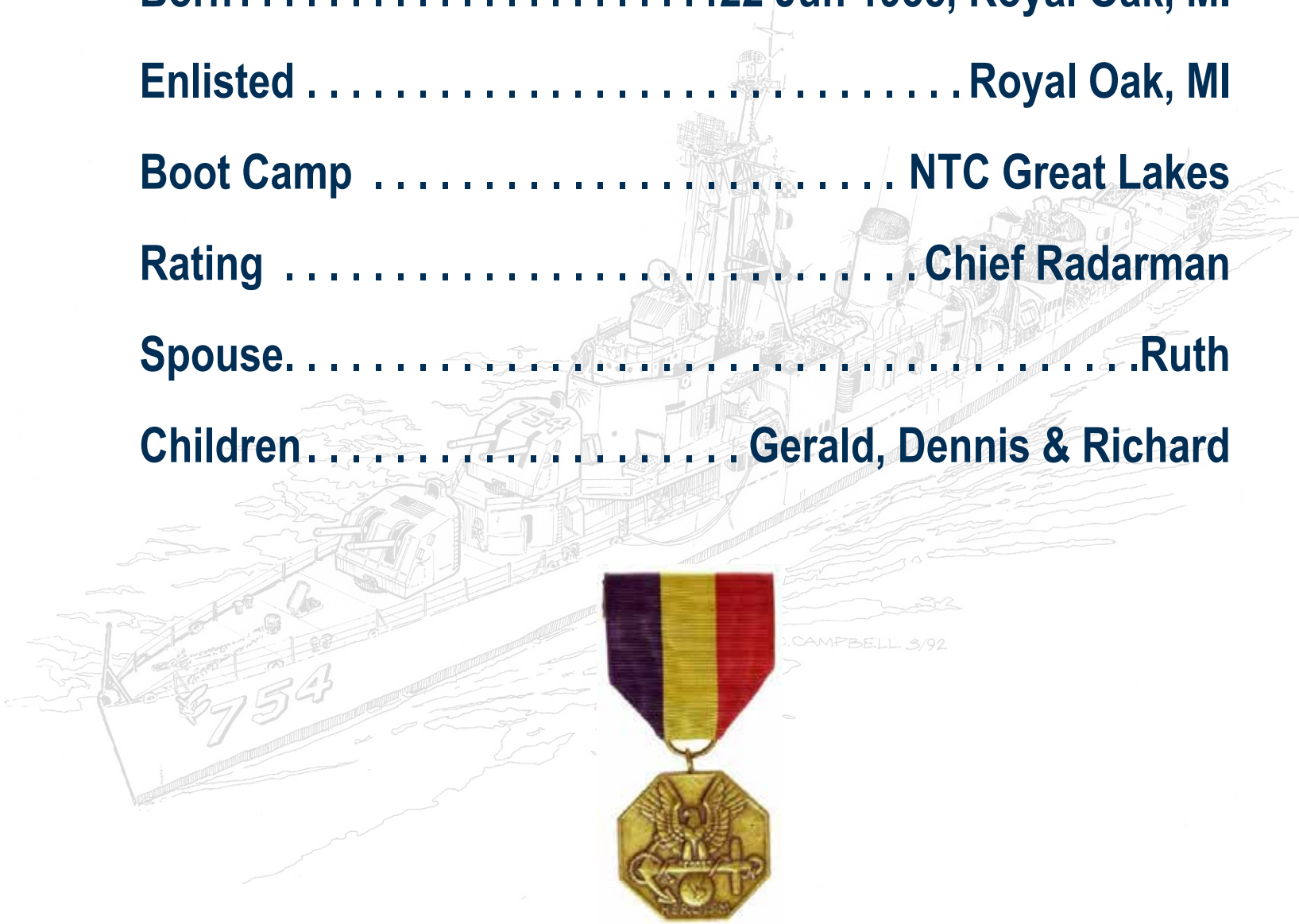




**George Joseph La Liberte'**

Born .....22 Jun 1935, Royal Oak, MI  
Enlisted .....Royal Oak, MI  
Boot Camp ..... NTC Great Lakes  
Rating .....Chief Radarman  
Spouse.....Ruth  
Children..... Gerald, Dennis & Richard



George enjoyed photography and making movies. RD1 La Liberte' was a true hero during the collision. He gave up his life helping others to escape the OI Division sleeping compartment located directly under the mess desk. As a result of his gallant efforts, RD1 George La Liberte' was posthumously awarded the Navy / Marine Corp medal and promoted to Chief Radarman.