

# "MIDGETT DAY"



The **MIDGETT** is named in honor of the late Chief Boatswain John Allen Midgett, U.S.C.G., who was awarded a United States Gold Lifesaving Medal and decorated by the British Government for his heroic rescue of the crew of the British Tanker *Mirlo* in 1918. The state of North Carolina declared 2 July 1972 Midgett Day. A crowd of 3,000 was on hand at the **MIDGETT**'s berth, which included over 200 members of the immediate family. Special military guests included VADM Sargent, Assistant Commandant USCG and RADM Bullard, Commandant CGD 5. Along with various newspapers, the story was covered by a staff from National Geographic Magazine.

