

OUR DEDICATION

THIS CRUISE BOOK CONTAINS A SHORT COVERAGE OF THE COAST GUARD CUTTER SHERMAN AND HER SHIP'S COMPANY WHILE SERVING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA – OUR TRAINING AND ACTUAL INVOLVEMENT, TOTALING MORE THAN ONE YEAR, DREW UPON THE PERSONAL RESOURCES OF EACH INDIVIDUAL AND HIS FAMILY – THIS BOOK TELLS ABOUT OUR SHIP'S COMPANY, BUT THAT IS ONLY HALF THE STORY.

THE OTHER HALF WILL PERHAPS NEVER BE TOLD – IT WILL BE LOST IN HISTORY AS SUCH SERVICE ALWAYS HAS BEEN – THE FAMILIES WHO WITHSTOOD THE HARDSHIP OF LONG MONTHS OF SEPARATION – THE LOVED ONES WHO WE HAD TO LEAVE BEHIND – ALL OF THOSE TO WHOM WE HAD TO SAY GOODBY –

THEIR STORY ONLY WE KNOW.

TO THEM

FOR WHOM CONFLICTS ARE WAGED,

TO THEM

WHO WAITED AND PRAYED FOR US,

TO THEM

WE RETURNED,

TO THEM

WE DEDICATE THIS BOOK.