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SUBJ: Crossed the Bar – Auxiliarist Gerard Kalemba #1231821 (014-15-09)

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## **Shipmates:**

It is with deep regret and sorrow that the District announces that Auxiliarist Gerard Kalemba of Flotilla 014-15-09, (Sacandaga Mohawk Flotilla), Crossed the Bar on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Gerard joined the Auxiliary on March 20<sup>th</sup> 2009, and proudly served as a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary for just less than 14 years. During his Auxiliary service Gerard served as Flotilla Commander and Flotilla Staff Officer – Operations of Flotilla 070-16-01 (St. Croix, U.S.V.I.). He was also a qualified Telecommunications Officer and Boat Crewmember.

Gerard's awards included the Coast Guard Unit Commendation (x3), Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation, Auxiliary Sustained Service Award (x2), Auxiliary Membership Service Award (x2), and DHS Outstanding Unit Award.

The heartfelt sympathy of the entire District is extended to his family, friends, and shipmates in the midst of the great loss that they and the District have sustained. Gerard's name has been added to the District 1 Southern "IN MEMORIAM" page where he will join a list of fellow Shipmates that have Crossed the Bar. *So they may always be remembered.* 

Fair Winds and Following Seas Shipmate

A Memorial Service will be held at a future date in St. Croix, U.S.V.I.

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