



SCPO Christine Strenkert
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Coast Guard Cutter KIMBALL
United States Coast Guard



Senior Chief Culinary Specialist Christine Strenkert reported to the Coast Guard Cutter KIMBALL (WMSL-756) in Honolulu, Hawaii in May 2023. Selected to be the Senior enlisted leader in July 2023, Senior Chief Strenkert, acts as the primary enlisted advisor to the command, ensuring smooth and efficient operation of day-to-day activities on board the CGC KIMBALL. Additionally, she is responsible for providing accurate and timely information to the crew and acts as a liaison between the command and the Chief Petty Officer (CPO) Mess. Senior Chief Strenkert dedicates herself to promoting a positive and thriving atmosphere on board the ship, constantly endeavoring to enhance the quality of life at sea.

Senior Chief Strenkert's career has been marked by various roles in Afloat assignments. She began her career by attending the Food Service Specialist "A" School at TRACEN Petaluma in California from August 2005 to December 2005, following her graduation from boot camp in company X-ray-171. She then served on the USCGC POLAR SEA (WAGB 11) from February 2006 to December 2008, where she completed Operation Deep Freeze 2006-2007. Her next assignment was as the Food Service Officer for the Commissioning Crew of USCGC Sea Fox (WPB 87374) in Silverdale, WA, from December 2008 to May 2011. She then moved to USCGC EAGLE (WIX 327) in New London, CT, from May 2011 to May 2013, taking part in OPSAIL 2012 and the War of 1812 commemoration. Senior Chief Strenkert later became the Food Service Officer at USCG Station Calumet Harbor in Chicago, IL, from July 2016 to June 2018, where she was promoted to Chief Petty Officer. Following that, she served as the Food Service Officer on USCGC HARRIET LANE (WMEC 903) in Portsmouth, Virginia, from July 2018 to July 2021, and acted as the Senior Enlisted Leader during the COVID-19 pandemic. CGC Harriet Lane Culinary Specialists received recognition as the Dining Facility of the Year in 2020 and was the runner-up in 2019. Her most recent assignment is with the Pre-Commissioning Crew of USCGC ARGUS (WMSM 915) in San Pedro, CA, from December 2021 to April 2023.

Hailing from Greene, New York, Senior Chief Strenkert enlisted into the U.S. Coast Guard in 2005 through the Syracuse recruiting office. She graduated the U.S. Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Academy, Petaluma, California in September 2018 and completed Chiefs Call to Initiation October of the same year. She receives unwavering support from her husband, Navy veteran James Dale.