



USS *Salem* Berth Construction

QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS

The USS *Salem* has become part of the landscape at the Quincy Shipyard. In an effort to restore and repair the northern pier of the Quincy Shipyard for future use, Cashman undertook a project to relocate the vessel from the northern section of the Shipyard to the southern section.

Nicknamed the “Sea Witch,” the *Salem* was built at the Quincy shipyard in the 1940s, and in 1949 she was commissioned to become the flagship for the Navy fleet in the Mediterranean during the first decade of the Cold War. In 1995, the *Salem* was re-commissioned as a member of the Historic Naval Ships’ Association and is now the centerpiece of the US Naval Shipbuilding Museum at Quincy Shipyard.

Plans were approved by the Quincy Conservation Commission and the MassDEP to install pilings for docking the USS *Salem* at the new wharf. Due to the poor condition of the original pier, the Commission gave the plans emergency approval in April 2016.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Critical utility work was an important component of the project in addition to the ongoing water-based work. Before the relocation of the *Salem* could take place, the utility services had to be completed in order to provide electricity, water, sewer, and fire alarm services to the historic vessel.
- The pier was ready for the *Salem* to relocate to its new home by summer’s end 2017. The ship reopened for visitors at its new location and will remain docked at the pier at least until June 2021.

Location:	Quincy Shipyard Quincy, MA
Contractor:	Cashman Dredging & Marine Contracting
Contract Dates:	Spring - Summer 2017
Dollar Value:	Unknown
Awarding Authority / Owner:	Cashman / US Naval Shipbuilding Museum
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