



The restored *F.D. Crockett* was dedicated in 2011 to the boatbuilders and watermen of the Chesapeake Bay and the families who keep the history alive. Along with the remnants of the oysters and the rust contained within her holds and on her decks, *F.D. Crockett* stores the history of the bay, of wooden boatbuilding and of the watermen who worked her. Those who visit her decks see not only the preservation of ancient skills but also a window into fading communities, a place they can not only learn but also share their own stories.



The *F.D. Crockett* is alive today thanks to the care of her “family” of builders and captains, the dedicated efforts of museum volunteers to restore and preserve her, and the continued support of her many devoted friends throughout the Chesapeake Bay Community.

Please consider a corporate or personal sponsorship to keep *F.D. Crockett* on the water for the next 100 years.

Donate to:

F.D. Crockett’s 100th Year Preservation Endowment

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F.D. Crockett’s 100th Year Preservation Endowment

F.D. Crockett, the last log buyboat in Virginia, reaches her 100th birthday in 2024. After three quarters of a century as an active freight and dredge boat, she was donated in 2005 to the Deltaville Maritime Museum. Thousands of hours of volunteer labor brought her to National Landmark status in 2012. The vessel is now a maritime ambassador for the history of the Chesapeake Bay.

Skilled, knowledgeable maintenance is expensive, time consuming, and essential to keep her alive for another 100 years.

Please help us establish an Endowment to preserve this historic vessel for another century.



To help you understand what your donation dollars do:

Captain's Level

\$25,000 and up

By donating at the Captain's level, you are honoring the Captains of this vessel: Ferdinand Crockett, Pretty Green, Jesse Faye Dryden, David Wescott, Kurt Barrett, Ron Turner, and John England, whose love and care of the boat means that it still exists today.

First Mate Level

\$10,000 to \$24,999

By donating First Mate's level, you are enabling the supervision and hands-on work of an experienced shipwright at a facility with capability to handle an historic vessel.

Second Mate Level

\$5,000 to \$9,999

By donating on the Second Mate level, you are helping an experienced team to prepare for major repairs. Help take out the old wood, put in the new wood.

Navigator Level

\$2,500 to \$4,999

Navigate the vessel through the stormy waters of ongoing annual maintenance, with its constant changes. Stop the rot and keep the boat on course.

Engineer's Level

\$2,000 to \$2,499

Donate to keep our engine running, just like our engineer Henry Lackey does!

Bosun Level

\$1,000 to \$1,999

Donate to the Bosun's level to support the annual maintenance of the essential parts of the boat, like painting the deck to prevent the rain and sun damage that would destroy her.

Deckhand Level

\$500 to \$999

All hands are on deck to keep the boat free of barnacles. That red paint signifies the work of many hands, maintaining and preserving the boat year-round.

Crew Level

\$100 to \$499

Each member of the crew performs an essential task, just like the lowly bilge pump. It takes many to keep an old boat afloat. Donate to keeping these going on a constant basis! Like our supporters, they are essential. Without this level, the *F.D. Crockett* would sink.

Friend Level

\$99 and below



Our Constant Supporters Level

Since *F.D. Crockett's* donation to the Deltaville Maritime Museum 18 years ago, our constant supporters have been what has kept this boat on the water, from her restoration to her becoming a National Landmark. Thanks to our Friends, she has traveled to ports throughout the bay where buyboats once worked as freight boats, dredge boats, oyster buyboats, and as family fun boats. The donations by excited children and interested visitors have made this birthday possible. We thank you at every level.

