



USS Somerset

AK-212

Counties in Maine, Maryland, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.

Builder: Leathern D. Smith Shipbuilding Co., Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin

Class: Alamosa

Type: C1-M-AV1

Commissioned: 20 September 1945

Decommissioned: 2 November 1945

Length: 338' 6"

Beam: 50'

Draft: 21' 1"

Displacement: 7,125 tons

Propulsion:

Performance:

Max: 11.5 knots

Economic:

Cargo Capacity:

Complement:

Passengers:

Armament: 1 x 3"

Electronics:

HISTORY:

The *Somerset* (AK-212) (ex-MC hull 2166) was laid down on 9 October 1944 by the Leathern D. Smith Shipbuilding Co., Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. She was launched on 21 January 1945 and was sponsored by Mrs. Fred Bradley. She was acquired by the Navy from the Maritime Commission on 20 September 1945 and commissioned the same day.

Somerset was acquired for Navy use as a cargo ship; but, due to the cessation of hostilities with Japan, she saw no naval service. She was returned to the Maritime Commission on 2 November 1945 and struck from the Navy list on 5 December 1945.

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