



+ NAVY NURSE CORPS LEGENDS **+** **CAPT SUE DAUSER, NC, USN**



Capt. Sue Dauser (1888-1972) entered the Navy in World War I and served as a chief nurse at the Navy Base Hospital No. 3 in Leith, Scotland during the war.



In the 1920s, Dauser was among the first nurses to serve at sea deploying aboard the hospital ship USS **Relief** (AH-1), and transports USS **Henderson** (AP-1) and USS **Henderson** (AP10).



Served as attending nurse to President Warren G. Harding on his voyage to Alaska, the first by a sitting U.S. president (1923).



In 1939, she was appointed Superintendent of the Navy Nurse Corps. As the Navy's top nurse, led the largest growth of the Nurse Corps in history (from 439 in 1939 to 11,500+ in 1945).



First Navy nurse to hold the rank of captain (1942).



Recipient of the Distinguished Service Medal (1945).

