

TUG FAIRWILL

58.6' Length

17.4' Breadth

8.3' Depth

Built - Berkley - Norfolk, Virginia - 1938

She had a wooden hull and house with a Fairbanks Morse diesel engine, 210 H.P. Later re-engined to 320 H.P.

In construction she was started then stopped with wooden frames exposed, then started again and completed. Was named FAIRWILL by W. S. Sanders, her owner at that time. Was bought by Norfolk Ship Savage Company on death of owner W. S. Sanders circa 1955.

She was used in the Hampton Roads Harbor, Chesapeake Bay, James River, Inland Waterway into North Carolina towing many kinds and size vessels including oil barges, deck barges, dredges, etc., all on a lease basis by the hour, day, week or month.

While towing a barge in the Inland Waterway into North Carolina, she ran aground and her tow ran into and over her stern, sinking and crushing the tug making her a total loss never to be used again except for her pilot house which was given to a lady, then transported to Stingray Point, Virginia and used as a summer cottage.