

USS SAVAGE (DE/DER 386)

2015 Reunion Newsletter

These are exciting times, as plans for our 2015 reunion are coming together. We have contracted for an Old Savannah trolley tour and riverboat cruise for everyone on Friday, 9/25, for the memorial service, Mighty Eighth Air Force museum tour and dinner on Saturday, 9/26, and the annual reunion banquet at the hotel on Sunday, 9/27. We have added some special treats for attendees, including live music on Saturday and Sunday evenings. Check-in is Thursday, 9/24. We hope to see you then.

Ed Stone, Reunion Chairman



Schedule of Events

Thursday

Meet and greet. Hotel check in. Reunion registration. Confirm excursions and transportation needs. Dinner at your choice of nearby restaurants.

Friday

Breakfast and socializing in the morning. 9:00 a.m. depart for Historic Savannah trolley tour and 2:00 p.m. riverboat cruise. Lunch (near waterfront) and dinner on your own.

Saturday

Free time in the morning. Memorial service 2:00 p.m. at the Mighty Eighth Air Force Chapel of the Fallen Eagles. Museum tour at 3:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 5:00 p.m. We have enough private vehicles to car pool to the above.

Sunday

Free time for church, socializing, touring or sleeping in. 3:00 p.m. business meeting and annual charity auction (both including spouses). Lunch and dinner on your own.

Monday

Check out of hotel. Hugs and kisses. Head for home.

Savannah



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With its pedestrian-friendly layout and innovative urban design, Savannah serves as a balm for the senses. The city inspires visitors with its emerald tree canopy, quaint cobblestone streets and majestic architecture. Take the time to wander off the beaten path and experience the history, beauty and charm of this beloved coastal city. Tour Savannah's museums and antebellum mansions. Check out areas of historic interest and see magnificent architecture set in the grid of the city's majestic squares. See Savannah from the river that made her! Relive a bygone era on board one of our Riverboats. Hear our captain's intriguing tales and historic facts as we travel a river once used by the founders of our beautiful city. Learn about the history of Savannah, her port modern day and past.

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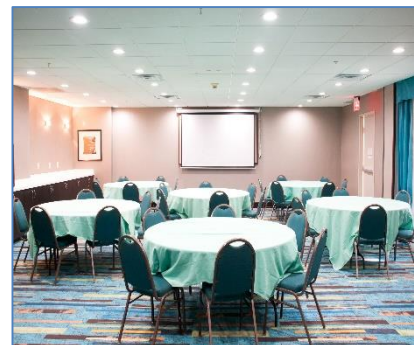
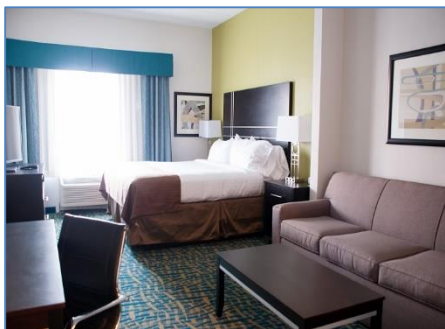
Reunion Hotel

 Our reunion hotel is the brand new Holiday Inn Savannah South I-95 Gateway. It is conveniently located off Interstate 95, and a short ride from Savannah Hilton Head International Airport.



Shuttle service is to and from the airport, at a cost of approximately \$15 - \$20 each way. The hotel is 15-20 minutes away from Historic Downtown Savannah, City Market and River Street. Its spacious rooms are furnished with 42" LED TVs, microwaves, refrigerators, free high-speed Internet, plush towels, quartz counter tops and luxurious bedding. Guests can unwind in the hotel's restaurant and lounge, Mudsocks Bar & Grill.

Our special USS Savage Reunion rate of \$102 per night (plus 13% tax) includes a hot buffet breakfast in the banquet room each morning. Please make reservations prior to August 24th by calling the hotel directly at (912)925-2525 and mentioning the **USS Savage Reunion** group block to receive the group discount. Individuals may cancel without penalty up to 4:00 p.m. on the day of arrival.



11 Gateway Blvd. E. Savannah, GA 31419 P: (912)925-2525 F: (912)925-7904

Check List for Attendees

Just so you won't miss anything, here is a reunion check list:

- ❖ If you are listed as an M (Maybe) on the attached reunion roster, please make every effort to come!
- ❖ Call one of your friends on the list of shipmates who have not yet responded to the reunion invitations, and ask them to join us at this reunion.
- ❖ Plan to bring an item to contribute to the charity auction.
- ❖ Verify your name on the roster, for your new reunion name tag.
- ❖ Check your roster listing and send any corrections to Ed Stone.
- ❖ Make your hotel reservation, per instructions on page 4.
- ❖ Bring your check book to pay \$20 Association Dues, plus \$100 per attendee for the following activities: Friday tours, Saturday museum tour and dinner, Sunday banquet and entertainment.
- ❖ Notify Ed Stone if you will be unable to attend the Friday excursion tour and cruise, or the Saturday museum tour and dinner, or the Sunday banquet. We have to commit to the exact numbers for these events before the reunion begins, so we will need accurate counts.