U.S.S. Franklin (CV-13)
2018 Reunion, May 31-June 3
New Orleans, LA

Hosted by: The Hall Family and The Homko Family

We are so excited to be hosting the 2018 Reunion in New Orleans, LA! After making a trip down there in September to see the Embassy Suites and WWII Museum we know this is a reunion that you don't want to miss. The hotel is located only 15 miles from the airport, less than a mile from the Amtrak station and only a few blocks from the museum. There is also a trolley that will take you to the French Quarter about 2 blocks from the hotel. If you are driving or renting a car the hotel is giving us a discounted parking rate of $30/night. If you need a cab from the airport we recommend Eric "Big E" Airport Transportation service 504-495-2531. It should be $33 for 1 or 2 people and $14 per person for 3 or more. An Uber should be less expensive if you are traveling with more than 2 people. We paid about $33 for 3 people in the car. Also, anyone that is interested in taking the train, Ken has worked out a discount code for 10% off Amtrak fares available May 24th thru June 7th. Please call Amtrak at 1-800-872-1477 and use code X57G-980 to book. This offer is not available online.

Because we want to make this a reunion to remember we are really trying to stretch our budget! So, since the museum is about a 10 minute walk from the hotel we are asking anyone who is able, to walk over. We will provide transportation for anyone who cannot do so. The World War II Museum is the #1 attraction in New Orleans and the #4 museum in the U.S. according to Trip Advisor. The museum has 5 buildings and does have a display featuring the USS Franklin. They do have a limited number of wheelchairs available. So, please let us know if you think you will need one so we can reserve enough.

We are happy to be able to keep the reunion fee the same as last year at $165. Children 12 and under will be $135 (if they order the kids entree for dinner). We will be staying at the Embassy Suites Hotel located at 315 Julia Street. The room rate is $140 for a room with a king bed and sleeper sofa and $150 for a room with 2 queens and a sleeper sofa. If there are more than two adults, there is an additional charge of $20 per adult per night. This charge is waived for children under 18. The room rate includes a hot breakfast with cooked to order eggs and a nightly reception with cocktails and appetizers.

To book your room, copy and paste the URL below into your browser to access the exclusive rates available for this group:
http://group.embassysuites.com/worldwariireunion

Group Name: WORLD WAR II REUNION
Please note, the entire URL must be copied and pasted for it to work properly.

You may also call 800-EMBASSY (362-2779) and use the group code: WWR

The rates will be available 3 days before and 3 days after the reunion. The inventory for these nights are not loaded into our block. Please call the hotel directly at 504-525-1993 to book days outside of the reunion dates and ask to speak with Dawn. She is the in-house group housing coordinator. All rooms must be booked by April 30th 2018. This is also the deadline for reunion registrations as we need to give final counts to the museum and hotel. After this date we cannot add any more to the counts or offer any refunds.

**REUNION SCHEDULE**

**Thursday 5/31:** Registration will begin at 4pm  
Board Meeting 5-6pm  
Nightly reception 5:30pm-7:30pm

**Friday 6/1:** Breakfast served 6:30am-9:30am  
Arrive at museum 9am  
   * Memorial Ceremony  
   * 4D movie "Beyond All Boundaries"  
   * Buffet lunch and show  
Nightly Reception 5:30  
Entertainment around 7pm

**Saturday 6/2:** Breakfast served 7am-10:30am  
General Meeting 10am  
Dinner dance with live 12 piece orchestra

**Sunday 6/3:** Breakfast served 7am-10:30am  
8 O'Clock Report and Color Guard 9am
USS Franklin Reunion Registration
New Orleans, LA May 31st-June 3rd, 2018

Name __________________________________________________________

Address ________________________________________________________

Phone ___________________________ Email __________________________

Crew Yes No If no, relationship

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Dinner Selection: Chicken Beef Fish Vegetarian

Others attending with you:

First and Last Name City and State Dinner Selection

1. ____________________________________________ C B F V Kids

2. ____________________________________________ C B F V Kids

3. ____________________________________________ C B F V Kids

4. ____________________________________________ C B F V Kids

Will anyone need a wheelchair at the museum? _____________

DINNER OPTIONS

Chicken: Boneless Chicken Breast in a Tasso Crème Sauce
we thought this dish might be a little spicy, but it wasn't.

Beef: 6 oz. Filet with Caramelized Onion and Shitake Mushroom

Fish: Gulf Shrimp in a New Orleans BBQ Butter Sauce
excellent dish but high in sodium

Vegetarian: Eggplant Parmesan

Kids (12 and under): Chicken Tenders

PLEASE LET US KNOW OF ANY FOOD ALLERGIES

Number of adults attending ______ x $165 = _________

Number of children attending ______ x $135 = _________

Total................................................................. _________
Please make checks payable to:
Roger L Hall II USS Franklin Reunion

Please mail them to:
Roger L Hall II, 179 Olde Concord Rd., Stafford, VA 22554

(DEADLINE: APRIL 30TH)

Any questions, please contact April: aprilhomko@gmail.com or 815-685-9298