

USS WALDRON 2017 REUNION

Houston, TX / April 27- May 1, 2017

Houston, We Have a Reunion!

Come to Houston, known as the “Oil Capital of the World”, for the 2017 USS Waldron Reunion. Among the events planned are visits to; the Johnson Space Center, Battleship Texas, and historic Galveston. Don't miss this opportunity to catch up with your friends and share some old stories.

Hotel Information

The reunion officially begins on Thursday, April 27, 2017 and ends on Sunday, May 1, 2017. We will be staying at the full service **DoubleTree by Hilton, Houston Hobby Airport**. This contemporary hotel, located at 8181 Airport Blvd. Houston TX 77061, is a 2 minute drive from Houston Hobby Airport (HOU) and 4 minute drive from Interstate 45. Just 8 miles from downtown Houston, the hotel provides easy access to all Houston has to offer including: historic market square, assorted monuments, the downtown aquarium, museums and art galleries, craft breweries, sports stadiums, and world class cuisine.

The room rate is **\$109.00** plus tax per night for single and or double occupancy. For those of you who choose to arrive early or stay late, the same room rate is available three days before and three days after the official reunion dates, based on availability. Please make your hotel reservations **NOW** by calling the hotel at **713-645-3000** (between 9 am-5 pm Central Time) and ask for in-house reservations. Mention that you are with the **USS Waldron Reunion** and give them **Group Code: USS** so you are associated with the group. You may request specific room types when you call to make reservations (accessible rooms, etc.). The hotel check-in time is 4:00pm; please don't expect to get into your room before then. Make your reservations today; you can cancel up to 72 hours prior to arrival without penalty. They will ask you for a deposit or credit card number to guarantee your room reservation. The hotel is holding rooms until they sell out or **April 13, 2017**, whichever comes first. Don't delay.

Transportation & Directions

The closest airport is William P. Hobby Airport (HOU). The hotel is located just a short distance from the airport with complimentary airport shuttle transportation. For those of you driving to the reunion, you will receive complimentary parking for the duration of the reunion.

If you have any questions about the reunion or need more information call MRP (Military Reunion Planners) week days between 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. **CST** at 817.251.3551 or email: info@militaryreunionplanners.com. You must leave a message in order to receive a call back.

Travel safely and we will See you in Houston!



USS WALDRON 2017 REUNION EVENTS

GROUP WELCOME TEX-MEX DINNER AT DOUBLETREE BY HILTON

Thursday April 27 (6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.)

Enjoy the scrumptious "South of the Border" buffet while catching up with friends and making new connections all without leaving the comfort of the hotel.

JOHNSON SPACE CENTER INCLUDING LUNCH WITH AN ASTRONAUT

Friday, April 28 (10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)



Established in 1961, on nearly 1,700 acres, NASA has served as the hub of human spaceflight activity, the home of the nation's astronaut corps, International Space Station mission operations, and a host of future space developments. Tour the Visitor's Center with over 400 exhibits and videos. Then, over a *cosmic lunch* with a NASA astronaut, learn firsthand about their experiences in space. After lunch, take a behind the scenes riding tram tour of NASA and mission control. Capacity is limited to the first 50 who sign up for this tour - don't miss out- book early!

PADDLEWHEEL CRUISE, GALVESTON TOUR and BUFFET LUNCH

Saturday April 29 (10:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.)

Relax as we drive an hour south to the Texas gulf coast and historic Galveston. We will be joined by celebrated author Jan Johnson for a riding adventure exploring the local sights and rich history of Galveston's romantic, swashbuckling past. We break for a delicious buffet lunch at the Garden Restaurant in famous *Moody Gardens*. Then enjoy the elegance of a bygone era aboard the '*Colonel*', an authentic replica of a 1800's style triple deck stern wheel paddle boat, during a relaxing 60 minute tour of the *Offatts Bayou*.



MEMORIAL SERVICE AND TOUR OF THE BATTLESHIP TEXAS

Sunday April 30 (9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)

Launched in May, 1912 from Virginia, the USS Texas was the most powerful weapon in the world at the time and the first to: mount anti-aircraft guns, control gunfire with directors, launch an aircraft, be equipped with commercial radar; and the last of the battleships to participate in both World War I and II. Start your visit to the Battleship with a memorial service on the main deck. Following the service, explore this mighty naval vessel and learn about the life of the men on board the ship during both World Wars. Explore the ship from the Flag Bridge 60 feet above the water to the engine room (snipe!) 20 feet below the water. View the restored sleeping quarters, medical facilities, engine rooms and powerful guns.



BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday April 30 (3:00 p.m.)

USS Waldron Business Meeting will take place at the Hotel. There is no need to pre-register.

BANQUET DINNER AND WALDRON'S GOT TALENT SHOW

Sunday, April 30 (6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.)

The concluding banquet dinner this year will be held at the hotel and followed by the talent show that was such a success last year. Again this year, there will be cash prizes for the winners, so come and show off your talents in singing, dancing, magic, card tricks, etc. Amaze your friends, and surprise yourself, a second career may be waiting for you!

USS WALDRON 2017 REUNION RESERVATION FORM

DATE	TIME	EVENT	COST	QTY	TOTAL
		Registration paid for by the USS Waldron Association	Free !!		
Thu 4/27	1800	Group Mexican Buffet at the hotel: fajitas, enchiladas	\$46 pp		
Fri 4/28	1000-1600	Johnson Space Center including Astronaut Lunch	\$75 pp		
Sat 4/29	1015-1645	Paddlewheel Cruise & Galveston Tour & Buffet Lunch	\$65 pp		
Sun 4/30	0900-1300	Memorial Service & Tour of the Battleship Texas	\$29 pp		
Sun 4/30	1800-2200	Farewell Banquet at the hotel: Make selection below			
		Chicken Picatta – Lemon Caper Sauce	\$49 pp		
		Red Snapper – Cajun seasoned & topped with shrimp	\$49 pp		
		Prime Rib - 8 oz. of Rosemary crusted heaven	\$59 pp		
		Non-refundable Late Reservation Fee (If registering after March 12, 2017)	\$15 pp		
		Tour Cancellation Insurance: Protect your \$\$ (For refunds see terms below. Fee is non-refundable)	\$15 pp		
TOTAL ENCLOSED					

➤ Mail this completed form with a check to: MRP, Box 1588 Colleyville, TX 76034

PRINT FULL NAME (As you want it to appear on badge): _____	
SPOUSE: _____	GUEST: _____
ADDRESS: _____	CITY: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____
CELL PHONE: _____	EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____	CELL NUMBER: _____
YEARS SERVED FROM: ____ TO: ____ SPECIAL NEEDS? _____	
IS THIS YOUR FIRST WALDRON REUNION?: Yes ____ No ____	

TOUR CANCELLATION INSURANCE

Protect yourself from unforeseen expenses caused by illness, injury or other causes that may impact your travel plans. Tour Cancellation Insurance allows you to receive a refund of tour and banquet expenses. Please note there is a \$10 per person processing fee. Cancellation Insurance expires at 11:59 p.m. the day **before** the reunion begins. No refunds are given the day of the reunion (beginning at midnight), **even** if you purchased cancellation insurance. Should you need to cancel your reservations please contact our office immediately by calling 817-251-3551 Monday through Friday 9:00am-4:00pm CST and email us at cancel@MilitaryReunionPlanners.com. If you did not purchase cancellation insurance please note all tour and banquet monies are refundable up until 6 weeks prior to the reunion, at that point all monies paid are non-refundable.

RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY MARCH 12, 2017

- Reservation money is non-refundable after due date unless Tour Cancellation insurance is purchased above.
- Insurance holders are eligible for a refund less processing fee until Midnight before the 1st day of the reunion.
- Insurance ends once the reunion begins – notification in writing/email must be received prior to start of reunion.
- Late reservations are accepted on a space available basis with a non-refundable \$15 per person late fee.

Call or email MRP if you need to add, cancel or modify your reservation at 817-251-3551 or email info@MilitaryReunionPlanners.com. MRP agents are available weekdays from 9-4 CST. Voice Mail is 24/7
You must leave a voice message to receive a call back. Thank you for using Military Reunion Planners, LLC

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