

2023 Reunion Information/Registration

USS De Wert FFG-45

Hyatt Regency Jacksonville, FL

The 2023 USS De Wert FFG-45 reunion will be held at the Hyatt Regency Riverfront, Jacksonville, FL, November 2-5, 2023. The Hyatt Regency Riverfront is located at 225 E Coastline Dr, Jacksonville, FL 32202

Questions: The information contained in this packet should answer most of your questions; however, if something is unclear, please call:

David Houghton at

(864)-275-8726 or email (houghtond@msn.com)

Your Choice: Please select your activities from the list below.. You may mail in your registration and payment in the form of a personal check or money order or you may email your registration to Kevin Justesen at (vikings6109@yahoo.com) and make your payment through Paypal. **If you use Paypal, include the convenience fee amount that Paypal charges. Failure to include this fee will result in having a balance due for any events chosen. Make checks/money orders payable to USS De Wert Reunion Association.**

1. **Cancellations:** For cancellations received on or before September 15, 2023 there is a \$50.00 cancellation fee **Plus** the cost of any activities that have already been paid for, or for which guaranteed numbers have been provided to the vendor. There will be **NO REFUNDS** – **for any reasons** – for cancellation requested after September 15, 2023. To ensure that you do not lose your investment in case of an emergency, Trip Cancellation Insurance is highly recommended. See your local insurance agent.

Please note you must Sign the Registration Form!!

USS De Wert FFG-45 Registration Form

Please complete this form and return (Only Pages 2 thru 4) with your money on or before September 15, 2023.

Make Payable to USS De Wert Reunion Association

Mail to: USS De Wert Reunion Association

P O Box 61202

North Charleston, S.C. 29419

Attendee Info (Please print)

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ MI: _____

Spouse and/or Guest Name: _____

Address:

City,State,Zip:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact Info

If there should be an emergency during the reunion and we need to contact a member of your family, who should that be?

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Special Needs: If you have any special dietary, handicapped, or other special requirements, please provide details below. Be SPECIFIC. Special dietary meals are available. List Handicapped Requirements:

Special Dietary Needs:

Cancellation Policy:

By submitting this registration form, I understand and agree that for cancellations received on or before September 15, 2023 there will be a \$50.00 cancellation fee plus the cost of any activities that have already been paid for, or for which guaranteed numbers have been provided to a vendor. There will be **No Refunds – for any reason** – for cancellation requests received after September 18, 2021. To ensure that you do not lose your investment in case of an emergency, Trip Cancellation Insurance is highly recommended. See your local insurance agent.

Signature Required: _____

Payments

Make Checks Payable to: USS De Wert Reunion Association

Personal Check # _____, Money Order # _____

You may pay via Paypal on the website. Be sure to include the 3% Paypal fee to your total

***Yes! I want a 40th Anniversary De Wert Reunion Coin. Please indicate quantity below and add the cost to your order!**

Choose any one of these items/services to fit your needs:

Individually priced Items/Services (per Person):

- Tour of Jacksonville/Mayport with Lunch, Friday, Nov. 3rd \$85.00
- Golf Outing, Friday, Nov. 3rd \$65.00
- Formal Dinner Banquet, Saturday, Nov. 4th \$120.00
- Memorial Breakfast, Sunday, Nov. 5th \$45.00
- 40th Anniversary De Wert Reunion Coin \$20.00 each

Full Payment for these options must accompany your Registration Form.

Resort/Registration Fee

This charge will be shared per guest as the resort does not allow outside food or beverages outside the hospitality suite. We have contracted with the resort to provide a hospitality suite for our contracted stay (Thursday thru Sunday). The reception on Thursday evening will have light hors d oeuvres and you may bring your beverage of choice which must remain in the hospitality suite.

This cost is **\$ 60.00 per guest.**

Event	Number of Guests	Cost per Guest	Total
Tour of Jacksonville	_____ x	\$85	_____
Golf Outing	_____ x	\$65	_____
Formal Dinner	_____ x	\$120	_____
Memorial Breakfast	_____ x	\$45	_____
Challenge Coins	_____ x	\$20	_____
Resort/Registration Fee	_____ x	\$60	_____
Less Deposit Already Submitted			- _____
PayPal Fee if paying online		x .03 (3%)	_____
		Total Cost per Guest	_____
Dinner Selection			
Steak	_____		
Chicken	_____		

Hotel Accommodation: Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Waterfront

Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront is located adjacent to the city's iconic Main Street Bridge, providing panoramic river views and walkable access to the heart of downtown. Our Downtown Jacksonville hotel leverages the largest function space in Northeast Florida, relaxing views from hotel rooms and meeting spaces, and new lobby concepts that foster connections and energize travelers.

Hotel Web site: https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/hotel/florida/hyatt-regency-jacksonville-riverfront/jaxrj?src=corp_lclb_gmb_seo_jaxrj

The hotel's number is: (904) 588-1234 use code G-USS4 for our discounted room rate.

The base room rate is \$149/night. This is for a room with two queen beds. Other rooms are available to upgrade to for an additional charge per room.

There is a \$15/day fee for self-parking. This is a discount from the normal daily rate.

Note: Hotel rooms are paid separately and are not included in the price of registration or activities.

YOUR ITINERARY:

First of all, Please know that we (the Reunion Committee and Board Members) are really looking forward to sharing these three days and nights with each and every one of you. We have chosen a nice Hotel/Resort in Jacksonville hopefully with nice weather (weather in Jacksonville is normally nice in November) so we can relax and enjoy some time together that is not jammed packed with events. Leaving time during the day that individuals or groups of shipmates can enjoy Jacksonville. Or just sit around the resort area and visit.

Thursday, November 2, 2023

4:00 pm Arrival at Hotel/Resort - Registration begins and Hospitality Room open. BYOB is available for the hospitality room only.

6:30 pm-10:00 pm Reception – In the hospitality room. Light snacks and BYOB.

Entertainment: A little USS De Wert Trivia, Silent Auction, and a White Elephant Gift Exchange. We would like for each person or couple to bring a unique gift from your area of the country to participate in this entertaining gift exchange.

Friday, November 3, 2023

Breakfast is on you.

9:00 am - Until mid-afternoon – Golf Outing.

10:30 am- Until 3:30pm Tour of Jacksonville/Mayport with Lunch.

Saturday, November 4, 2023

6:30 pm – 10:30 pm - Formal Dinner Banquet - Dinner will include your choice of entrees:

7 oz Grilled Flat Iron Steak, Tomato Bisque, Toasted Garlic Parmesan Bread Plank, Key Lime Pie with Raspberry Sauce and Fresh Whipped Cream

Grilled 8 oz Boneless Chicken, Spinach and Romaine Salad, Grilled Peach, Blistered Tomato, Toasted Sliced Almonds, and Goat Cheese Crumbles, Basil Citrus Vinaigrette, Cheesecake, Whipped Sweet Cream and Grand Marnier Macerated Berries

Note: Enjoy your last night of the reunion in a more formal setting. Coat and tie recommended for the gentlemen and corresponding dress for the ladies. If you can still wear a complete and correct uniform, please do so. There will be open seating, sit where you like, with whom you like. **“But don’t let a coat and tie stop you from coming.”**

*****Please sign up early by filling out the registration form and sending in your money and form. If we see we need more guest rooms, we need to request them quickly to get the same rates.**

Make your Checks or Money Orders Payable to: USS De Wert Reunion Association

Sunday, November 5, 2023

8:00 – 10:00 am Memorial Breakfast

A full buffet breakfast followed by a memorial service as we recognize and remember DE Wert shipmates who have completed their watch and departed this mortal coil.

USS De Wert Reunion Association Executive Committee

President	Reggie Brown
Vice President	Derrick Lystra
Treasurer	Wayne Wilcher
Secretary	Kevin Justesen

The USS De Wert Reunion Association Board Members

David Houghton
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