

I'm enclosing an application for a Presidential Memorial Certificate. When I took Charles' ashes to Ft Rosecrans, the attendant there gave me the address so I could write to request certificates. It's possible to request as many as you have need to.

The certificates are very nice and a lovely memorial for family members to keep as a special record of their loved one's service. Charles' family members were so pleased to have them.

Perhaps you already have this information but I thought I would share it with you in case you didn't. Maybe you can pass the information on. (There is no cost for the certificates)

I do hope you and your family are well.

Sincerely,

Maureen

Thank you Maureen for the information, I was unaware of the Certificates. I am writing the details below for everyone in the Gambier Bay family. I was unable to include a copy of the Certificate-but you can see it on the government website.

Here are the specifics on requesting a Memorial Certificate: A copy of the deceased veteran's military discharge document along with a copy of the death certificate must be provided when requesting a PMC. Eligible recipients, or someone acting on their behalf, may request a PMC in person at any VA Regional Office, by U.S. mail or by toll-free fax. A request form is available on the National Cemetery Administration website, www.cem.va.gov

By Mail:

Presidential Memorial Certificates (41A1C)

5109 Russell Road

Quantico, VA 22134-3903

By Toll-Free Fax:

(800) 455-7143

Presidential Memorial Certificate (PMC) is a gold embossed paper certificate inscribed with the veteran's name that bears the President's signature. It honors the memory of honorably discharged deceased veterans.

History:

This program was initiated in March 1962 by President John F. Kennedy and has been continued by all subsequent Presidents.

From your Editor:

I still had more things to put in this issue and they did not make it because I ran out of room. Hopefully I did not miss any letters this time. If you want the Scuttlebutt by e-mail just let me know by e-mail. The more we send by e-mail the more the association saves in postage.

Please send me letters or e-mails and let me know how the world is treating you and yours. Pictures are always welcome.

Hope everyone had a Happy 4th of July!!. Marlene mahhome@cox.net

Please consider coming to the St Louis Reunion. Bring the grandchildren and their parents. The next three pages explain everything.

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The 2010 U.S.S. Gambier Bay/Vc-10 Reunion will be in St Louis 10/20-10/24

We will be staying at the Sheraton Westport Plaza Hotel in St Louis. The hotel is situated close to restaurants, shopping, entertainment and across the street from their sister hotel.

We are getting a sweet deal of \$89 per night, free airport shuttle, free hospitality room with continental breakfast each day (with one hot item), a 2-hr welcome reception with wine & cheese. I have already booked a DJ for dancing and some comedic talent for our banquet.

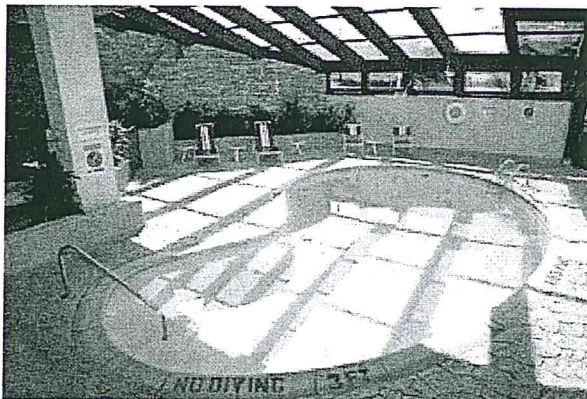
The phone # for the hotel is 1-800-822-3535. Please let them know you are with the USS Gambier Bay Group.

The rate of \$89 is available for three days prior and three days post reunion.

Please remember to either bring items for the raffle to the reunion or send them to me if you are unable to come. We made \$496.00 on the raffle last year for the association.

I have found some wonderful things that I am donating this year-better than last year!

Check out the Hotel's website WWW.sheratonwestport.com



Above is a picture of the indoor pool, & the Westport Plaza where there is shopping and restaurants and entertainment.

Available:

Free parking & Free Airport Pick-up and Drop Off
Heated indoor Pool & Outdoor pool at their sister hotel
Complimentary Fitness Facility
Disability accessible facilities
Wireless & High Speed internet Access \$9.95 per day
Rooms have the Sheraton Sleeper Bed
Rollaway Beds available and some rooms have a sofa bed
Bathrooms have a hair dryer
Iron/Ironing Board

Room Service
Coffee & Tea Maker
Club Level Room Available
Suites Available
Video Check-out

Some of the amenities above may not be available in all rooms. Fees may apply-just check.

USS Gambier Bay/VC10 Reunion Registration Form
October 20th-24th 2010
St Louis, Missouri

Name: _____ Phone: () _____ - _____

Address: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name On Badge _____ Are you a survivor? _____

Spouse Name On Badge: _____

Guest Name On Badge, Relationship; City & State: _____

Guest Name On Badge, Relationship; City & State: _____

Guest Name On Badge, Relationship; City & State: _____

Guest Name On Badge, Relationship; City & State: _____

Please indicate with an * next to the name if this is the persons first reunion-
 Use additional paper if necessary.

Registration:

Early Registration for \$70.00 per person ends September 1st. If you send the registration in after September 1st but by September 20th the rate is \$75.00 person.

Registration after September 20th but by Oct 1st the rate is \$80.00 per person.

The registration fee includes the Welcome Reception, Dinner Banquet, Memorial Service Luncheon, reunion goodies and miscellaneous reunion expenses.

Early Registration-# of people _____ x \$70.00 per person= \$ _____ .00

By September 20th-# of people _____ x \$75.00 per person= \$ _____ .00

After September 20th # of people _____ x \$80.00 per person = \$ _____ .00

Dinner Banquet- Please choose either London Broil- note how many _____
 or Roast Loin of Pork-note how many _____

All entrees are served with Roasted New Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Salad and for dessert Carrot Cake. Rolls and Butter and Beverages.

We will have one tour this year on Thursday. If we have less than the minimum of 25 the cost will be a little higher.

Tour

"Cookies, Confections & Custard" Tour

Thurs 10/21 9am-2pm

FOOD LOVERS AND SWEET-TOOTH'S ALIKE WILL REJOICE AS THIS TASTY TOUR OFFERS YOU A SAMPLING OF SOME OF ST. LOUIS' FINEST BAKERIES AND THE HISTORY THAT SURROUNDS THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS.

OUR FIRST STOP WILL BE AT GUS' PRETZELS WHICH PRODUCES FROM 4,000-5,000 PRETZELS A DAY. IT'S A FAVORITE STOP FOR ST. LOUIS NATIVES AND TODAY YOU'LL FIND OUT WHY.

THEN IT'S ON TO THE HILL, ST. LOUIS' FAMED ITALIAN NEIGHBORHOOD. STOP AT MISSOURI BAKERY FOR A SPECIAL TREAT AND A LITTLE SHOPPING ON YOUR OWN. LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AT FAVAZZA'S, KNOWN FOR ITS GREAT ITALIAN CUISINE.

WHILE THE COOKIES WILL PROBABLY SATISFY YOUR SWEET TOOTH, THERE'S ANOTHER ST. LOUIS FAVORITE THAT IS A MUST ON A TOUR LIKE THIS. THAT'S TED DREWES FROZEN CUSTARD. LOCATED ON HISTORIC ROUTE 66, TED DREWES HAS BEEN SERVING CUSTOMERS SINCE THE 1930S. TRY A MINI-SUNDAE OR CONCRETE, A SHAKE SO THICK YOU CAN TURN IT UPSIDE DOWN!

COST INCLUDES A PROFESSIONAL DISCOVER ST. LOUIS GUIDE, A 32-PASSENGER MOTOR-COACH, LUNCH AT FAVAZZA'S, SAMPLES OF TREATS AT GUS' PRETZELS, MISSOURI BAKERY AND TED DREWES, ALL RESERVATIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS.

BASED ON A MINIMUM OF 25 PEOPLE THE COST WOULD BE \$56 PER PERSON.

of people _____ x \$56 per person = \$ _____ .00
(remember it includes lunch)

Please include in the grand total the amount of your registrations fee from previous page.

Grand Total= \$ _____ .00

Please send the this page and previous page with all the names of persons attending with the name they want on their badges along with your check made out to:

USS Gambier Bay/VC-10 Association

Attn: Marlene A. Hughes

Treasurer

2228 E Greenlee Rd.

Our Itinerary for the Reunion:

A free continental breakfast will be served with one hot item each morning in the Hospitality room from 7am to 9am.

Wednesday, Oct 20th-3pm-11pm- Hospitality Room open

Donations will be taken for drinks & snacks.

4pm-6pm-Welcome Reception in Hospitality Room w/ Wine & Cheese.

Thursday, Oct 21st- 7am-11pm-Hospitality Room Open

9am-2pm- Cookies, Confection & Custard Tour.
(sign up on Registration form)

Friday, Oct 22nd- 7am-11pm-Hospitality Room open

10am-11:30am-Board Meeting

Afternoon and Lunch on your own

6pm-11pm-Dinner Banquet

6pm-7pm-Cash bar with Raffle & Entertainment

Saturday, Oct 23rd-7am-11pm-Hospitality Room open

11am-12pm-Memorial Service

Luncheon served after service- Chicken Marsala
(this is included in Registration fee)

Sunday, Oct 24th-7am-9am-Continental breakfast in Hospitality Room

Hospitality Room will be open all day-stay until you have to leave

St Louis is a great city and a fun place to visit.

Check out www.explorestlouis.com

THE LATEST SCOOP FROM AROUND THE
"SCUTTLEBUTT"

RETURNS TO
MARLENE HUGHES
2228 E GREENLEE RD
TUCSON, AZ 85719-2012

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



**A Gentle reminder to
keep your life in perspective.**

**And when you meet one of our
returning Soldiers,**

**please remember what they've been through
and show them**

Compassion and tolerance

Thank You.