

USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.

34th ANNUAL REUNION #2

WHERE: Sheraton Oklahoma City Downtown Hotel
One North Broadway Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73102

WHEN: September 29 – October 3, 2021

RESERVATIONS: Please first call 1-800-325-3535 (Sheraton Reservations, toll free.
For group rate, mention Group Code # MR5 or USS NEW JERSEY ATTENDEES.
If you have a problem, call Kimberly Moss at 1-405-815-6005.
Online reservations can be made at our page on their website:

<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1596482718713&key=GRP>

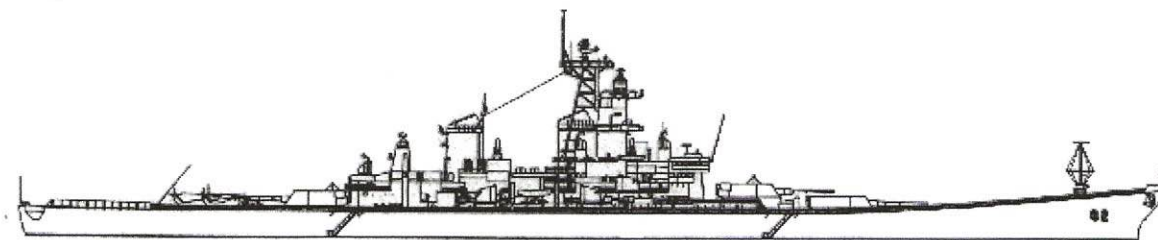
Reservations cut-off is 11:59PM (CDT), September 3, 2021. Rooms may not be available after this time and, if they are, may not qualify for the group rate.

Group rate available between Sept 26 - Oct 5, 2021.
Handicapped rooms are available upon request.
Individuals may cancel reserved rooms up to 2 days prior to arrival without penalty.
Parking is \$10.00/day. Complimentary WIFI.
Pets welcomed (Non-refundable \$50 first pet, \$25 each additional pet)

COST: One King or Two Double - \$119.00 (plus 14.125% S&O taxes)

Check In Time: 3:00PM, Check Out Time: 12:00PM

If you stay at this hotel, the rate includes two breakfast coupons per room



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Airport - Hotel Ground Transportation

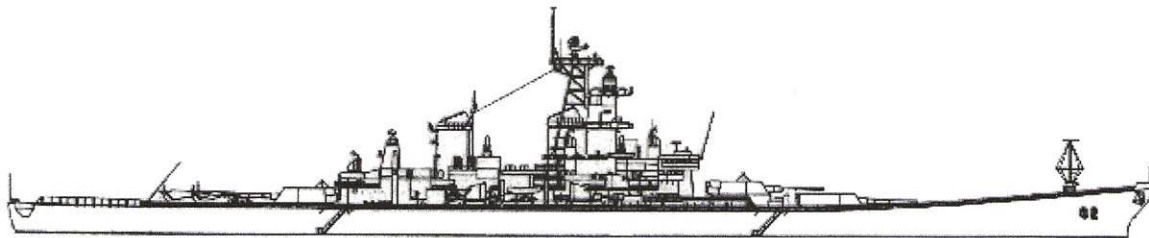
The Sheraton Downtown Hotel does not have an airport shuttle to provide transportation from the Will Rogers World Airport (OKC) to the hotel. The hotel is approximately 10 miles southwest of the airport.

The Airport Express is the private shuttle that can transport you from the airport to the hotel. The Airport Express shuttles (“The Blue Van”) are located on the terminal lower level, outside baggage claim 4 and 5, in the first lane of the transportation plaza.

- The fee for this service is about \$30.00, one way, for up to 5 passengers.
- Two suitcases and one carry-on per person are free.
- Additional suitcases are \$5.00 each.
- Oversized luggage, larger than 62” (L+W+H), or over 50lbs, are charged \$5.00 extra.
- Reservations are recommended. Call 405-681-3311 or 877-688-3311 after you make your flight reservations.

Taxi fare from the airport to the Sheraton Downtown should be around \$40.00 (give or take). Taxis are located on the terminal lower level, outside baggage claim, in the first lane of the transportation plaza.

Uber and Lyft, have a designated pick-up area on the upper level of the terminal, outside of the United Airlines ticket counter.



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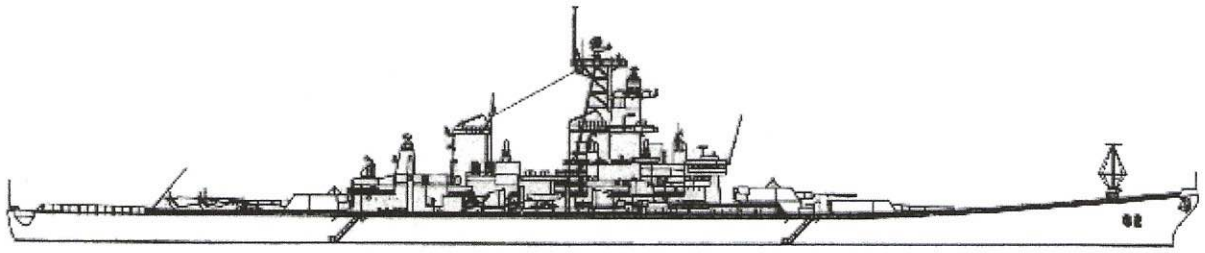
Public Ground Transportation

The Sheraton Downtown Hotel is located in downtown Oklahoma City and within easy reach of many attractions. The Oklahoma City Streetcar system opened on December 14, 2018. This modern streetcar system has two loops, the Downtown Loop and the Bricktown Loop, that offer inexpensive public transportation around downtown Oklahoma City. A 24 hour pass costs just \$3.00 per person. A 24 hour pass for Seniors, age 65+, costs just \$1.50 per person. There is a streetcar stop right next to our hotel where both loops stop. Additional information on the streetcar system is in this issue and will be available in the hospitality room and the hotel lobby.



There is also a bus system in Oklahoma City, called EMBARK, that covers a larger area than the streetcar system. EMBARK buses serve much of the Oklahoma City metro area. Each route's hours of operation vary, but many popular routes run about every 30 minutes during the weekday and every 60 minutes on Saturday and Sunday. Information on EMBARK is available online and will be in the hospitality room and the hotel lobby

Tickets can be purchased at the streetcar platform vending machines or by using a mobile phone app. A link to the app is on the Oklahoma City streetcar and EMBARK bus websites.



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PLAN OF THE WEEK

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Check in day

- 0900 Registration, Hospitality Room & Small Store opens (University Room)
- 1400 Board of Directors Meeting (Executive Board Room)
- 1630 Registration, Hospitality Room, Small Stores closes
- 1830 Doors Open, Cash Bar
- 1900 Welcome Aboard Dinner (One Broadway Ballroom)

Thursday, September 30, 2021

- 0900 Hospitality Room & Small Store opens
- 0950 Buses depart for Oklahoma City Wild West Tour
- 1530 Buses return to hotel
- 1600 Small Stores closes
- 2200 Hospitality Room closes

Friday, October 1, 2021

- 1000 USS New Jersey Veterans Memorial Service (One Broadway Ballroom)
- 1100 Hospitality Room & Small Store opens. (Opens after Memorial Service)
- 1600. Small Stores Closes
- 2200 Hospitality Room closes.

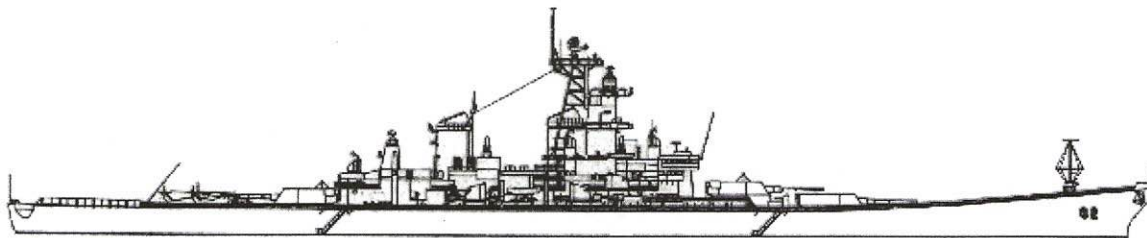
Saturday, October 2, 2021

- 0900 General Membership Business Meeting (One Broadway Ballroom)
- 1100 Hospitality Room & Small Store opens
- 1500 Hospitality Room & Small Stores closes
- 1700-1830 Group pictures (One Broadway Ballroom Lobby)
- 1830 Doors open, Cash bar (One Broadway Ballroom)
- 1900 Dinner Dance Banquet

Sunday, October 3, 2021

- 1100 Hotel checkout time

HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR IN PHILADELPHIA AREA



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Wednesday, September 29, 2021

WELCOME ABOARD DINNER

1830 Doors Open
1900 Serving Starts

Cash Bar

Plated Dinner Menu

Dinner Salad

with Cranberries, Feta and Raspberry Vinaigrette

Chicken Chardonnay

with Tomato Basil in a
Roasted Lemon Chardonnay Sauce

Chef's Selection of Starch and Fresh Vegetable

Dinner Rolls with Butter

New York Cheesecake with Strawberry Drizzle

Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Assorted Teas and Water

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Thursday, September 30, 2021

The Oklahoma City Wild West Tour

Planning for our tour has been a challenge this year. As the pandemic winds down, there are still so many unknowns that we've needed to consider during our planning process. We've worked closely with Factor 110 tour company and the Oklahoma City Convention and Visitors Bureau to come up with an enjoyable tour that highlights the State of Oklahoma. The tour is currently limited to 50 people. This may change once we see how many people will actually be attending the reunion.

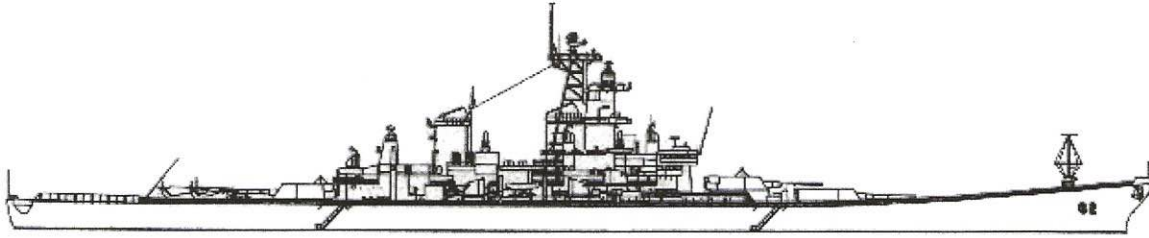
Explore Oklahoma's "Wild West" heritage and culture. Our journey begins at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum, America's premier institution of Western history, art and culture. Founded in 1955, the museum is the premier destination for all things related to the American cowboy. Upon entrance, visitors are greeted by a larger-than-life casting of "The End of the Trail," a sculpture by American-born artist James Earle Fraser that depicts an American Indian on horseback. More than 28,000 artworks and artifacts compose the museum's extensive collection. The historical galleries include the American Cowboy Gallery, a look at the life and traditions of a working cowboy; the American Rodeo Gallery, fashioned after a 1950s rodeo arena; the Weitzenhoffer Gallery of Fine American Firearms houses over 100 examples of firearms, by Colt, Remington, Smith & Wesson, Sharps, Winchester, Marlin, and Parker Brothers. The museum also houses Prosperity Junction, a 14,000-square-foot authentic turn-of-the-century Western prairie town. Visitors can stroll the streets, peek in some of the store windows, listen to antique player pianos, and actually walk into some of the fully furnished buildings. While you're at the museum, you'll be able to get some "lunch on you own" at the Museum Grill.



We then travel to the Stockyard City district. There we'll be able to do some shopping. Langston's Western Wear has been serving the western culture and lifestyle community for over 100 years. It's one of the top independent and locally owned western stores in America. Langston's is across the street from Cattleman's, Oklahoma City's longest running restaurant. If you're not into shopping, you can drop in there for a light snack or just a piece of their famous homemade pie.



Our last stop is a visit to the Centennial Land Run Monument. April 22, 1889, was a day of chaos, excitement, and total confusion in Oklahoma. This was the day of the incredible, and notorious, first Land Run, when 50,000 people rushed into the Unassigned Lands of Oklahoma Territory to stake their claim for free land. The monument is the largest series of sculptures in the world, consisting of 47 statues spread across a distance of 365 feet. All are cast in dark bronze, at one-and-a-half life size. In all, there will be 38 people, 34 horses, 3 wagons, a cannon, a dog, and a frightened jackrabbit.



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Friday, October 1, 2021

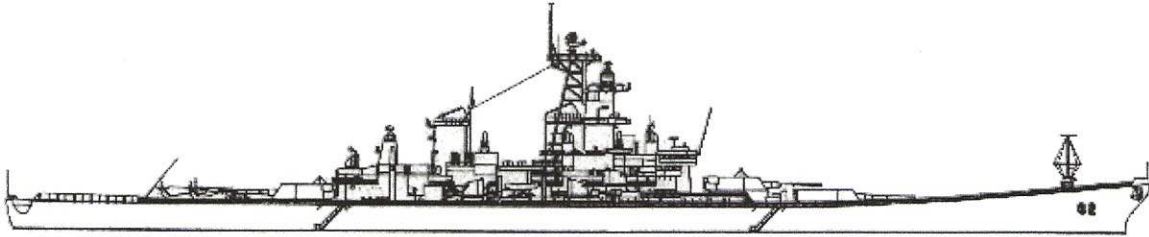
The USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. memorial service, to honor our Shipmates who have passed since our last reunion in San Diego, 2019, will take place at the Sheraton Downtown Hotel, in the One Broadway Ballroom at 10:00AM.

Following the memorial service, the remainder of Friday will be a free day, allowing our attendees to explore Oklahoma City with their friends, family and Shipmates. We will not be offering an organized tour.

The downtown location of the reunion hotel provides us easy access to many of the attractions that Oklahoma City has to offer. There is information in the reunion package on the new Oklahoma City Streetcar System, which provides you with inexpensive public transportation to many areas of the city. There will be brochures available in our hospitality room detailing what attractions are available in OKC.

The Bricktown entertainment area is within easy walking distance of the hotel or there is a streetcar loop to Bricktown. Bricktown is similar to the river walk area of San Antonio. There is a water taxi which operates through Bricktown.

The National Oklahoma City Memorial and Museum is a moving tribute to the events of April 19, 1995. The outdoor memorial honors the lives lost in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. The museum documents the story of what followed in the days, weeks and years after the event. The OKC streetcar blue line will easily take you from the hotel to the Memorial.



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Saturday, October 2, 2021

DINNER DANCE BANQUET

1830 Doors Open Cash Bar
1900 Serving Starts

Plated Dinner Menu

Traditional Caesar Salad
Hearts of Romaine Lettuce,
Creamy Caesar Dressing and Croutons

Entree Selection

Chicken Florentine
with Spinach, Boursin and Fontina Cheese with Whipped Potatoes

Blackened Salmon
with Lemon Caper Tzatziki served with Wild Rice

Sliced Sirloin of Beef
with Caramelized Onions and Jack Daniel Jam with Whipped Potatoes

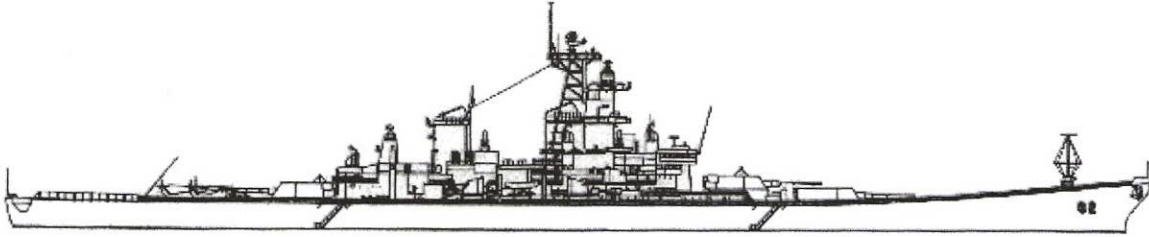
Portabella Mushroom
with Avocado Chimichurri

Chef's Seasonable Vegetable

Dinner Rolls with Butter

Chocolate Mousse Cake

Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Assorted Teas and Water



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INFORMATION FOR DINNER GROUP SEATING

PLEASE COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Paid dinner reservations must be made prior to requesting group seating.
2. Dinner seating requests will be accepted between **JULY 1st - AUGUST 29th**.
3. A separate request is required for each dinner, Wednesday and Saturday.
4. **NOTE: Please include note if space for wheelchair seating is needed.**
5. When requesting group seating, including family members or friends, only **ONE PERSON** per group should apply. Please list all individuals by name.

Check to ensure that everyone within the group has registered and paid for their dinner prior to making a seating request. This will reduce, or eliminate, confusion when individuals within a group either have not made reservation, or make the reservations at the last minute.

NO TABLE ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE UNTIL EVERYONE IN YOUR GROUP HAS MADE THEIR DINNER RESERVATIONS.

6. Seating requests can be made through E-Mail, telephone, or letter.
NOTE: Messages left on an answering machine are not always reliable.
7. Send the names of all the individuals to the seating coordinator (**10 persons per table**) *The exact number of seats per table may change based on COVID restrictions.*
8. **Please submit your reunion event registration and seating requests by the posted deadline. We will make every effort to accommodate your request, however we cannot guarantee your group seating if your request is received after the deadline.**

Marvin Williams, Seating Coordinator
221 Longwood Lane, Clarksville, TN 37041
Cell Phone 931-237-3823
E-mail mpwbb62@charter.net

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**34th Annual Reunion #2 Events Registration Form
(Refer to the Plan of the Week for event start times)**

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Welcome Aboard Dinner _____ People @ \$35.00/person \$ _____

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Oklahoma City Wild West Tour _____ People @ \$60.00/person. \$ _____
(Currently limited to 50 people)

Saturday, October 2, 2021

Banquet Dinner _____ People @ \$48.00/person \$ _____

Chicken Florentine _____ Blackened Salmon _____ Sliced Sirloin of Beef _____ Portabella _____

Reunion T-Shirt _____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL @ \$10.00 ea. \$ _____

_____ 2XL _____ 3XL _____ 4XL @ \$12.00 ea. \$ _____

50/50 TICKETS (Please include ticket stubs). \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed for all Events \$ _____

Please provide the following and please print:

NAME _____ SPOUSE/GUEST _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

ERA: _____ DIVISION: _____ DATE SERVED _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ PHONE _____

FINAL CUT-OFF DATE - POST MARKED BY AUGUST 29, 2021

Make checks payable to USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. and mail w/form to address below.

If you would like to pay by using PayPal, scan the QR code or check here _____ and we will bill you through PayPal via the e-mail address above. You can also use this method even if you don't have a PayPal account but wish to use a credit card.

Regardless of payment method, please mail this registration form to the address below.

USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc.
c/o Mr. Phillip Tasker, Treasurer
7526 14th Lane
Vero Beach, FL 32966-1200

