

2012 Society of the 1st Infantry Division Reunion Information

2012 Tentative Reunion Program

Wednesday, Aug 1st

9:00am–8:00pm	Registration
9-12 1-5	Quartermaster Open
9-12 1-5	Cantigny First Division Museum Open
1:30pm	Unit Rep Meeting with Society staff
2:30-5:30	Memphis City Tour

Thursday Aug 2nd

7:00am–6:00pm	Registration
7:15am	Golf-Meet in Lobby
9-12 1-5	Quartermaster Open
9-12 1-5	Cantigny First Division Museum Open
9:00am-5:00pm	All Elvis Tour
10:30	Board Meeting
11:30am-4:30pm	Ol' Man River Tour
1:00pm-4:00pm	Black Heritage Driving Tour
8:00pm-11:00pm	Welcome Party (everyone is welcome)
	Elvis Look-a-Like Contest

Friday, Aug 3rd

7:00am–6:00pm	Registration
7:30am-8:30am	Conflict Breakfast
9:00am	Unit Meetings in CP
9-12 1-5	Quartermaster Open
9-12 1-5	Cantigny First Division Museum Open
10:00am-1:00pm	Memphis City Tour

10:30am-5:30pm Blues, Soul, Rock & Roll
1:00pm-5:00pm Graceland Platinum Tour

Saturday Aug 4th

8:00am-5:00pm Registration
9:00am Memorial Service
10:00am General Business Meeting
10-12 1-3 Quartermaster Open
10-12 1-3 Cantigny First Division Museum Open
11:30am-4:30pm Ol' Man River Tour
12:30pm-4:30pm Graceland Platinum Tour
6:00 pm Cocktails/Reception
7:00 pm 94th Annual Reunion Banquet

Sunday, Aug 5th

Hope you had a wonderful time. Farewell 'til next year!

2013 Reunion
Jacksonville, Florida
July 31-August 4, 2013

2014 Reunion
Orange County, CA
June 25-29, 2014

Tours and Special Events

We have arranged a variety of optional tours to enhance your visit to Memphis Tennessee. Don't forget your cameras and your comfortable shoes. We hope we have found tours interesting for everyone. The tours are integrated into the program so they won't conflict with other reunion activities. **These are optional events and require pre-registration. Some of the tours have limited seating, so, to avoid disappointment, it is best to sign**

up for your tours when you register rather than waiting until you arrive at the reunion. All buses for tours will load outside in the front circle. There are often a few spaces open so please check in Supply Sarge if you decide you would like to take one of our tours.

Memphis City Tour - 3 hrs - \$25/pp

The tour includes Memphis' past and present. You'll drive by the Mississippi Riverfront, Tom Lee Park, Cotton Row, the Pinch District, Victorian Village, Overton Park, Brooks Museum of Art and St Jude Children's Research Hospital to name a few.

All Elvis - 8 hrs - \$85/pp

This tour honors Memphis' most famous citizen. The tour will include a visit inside the Lauderdale Courts apartments where Elvis and his family lived during his high school years as well as a tour of Sun Studio "Birthplace of Rock and Roll" where tour participants can even sing into the very microphone that Elvis used. The afternoon will be spent at Graceland, the home of Elvis lived twenty years of his life. The tour will include the trophy room, the family gravesite, Elvis' Automobile Museum, his private airplanes and the Sincerely Elvis Museum. This is the tour for the Elvis fan.

Graceland Platinum Tour - 4 hrs - \$55/pp

This is a shorter version of the All Elvis tour. It will only include the afternoon portion of the All Elvis tour. This will focus on Elvis and his beloved Graceland.

Ol' Man River Tour – 5 hrs - \$55/pp

Depart for Mud Island Park, an educational park dedicated to the lower course of the Mississippi. The Mississippi River Museum contains 18 galleries that tell the story of the river and the one-of-a-kind River Walk scale model. There is a deli available if you wish to purchase a snack. At 1:30 you board the coach again for the Memphis Riverboat dock for your 90 minute sightseeing cruise along the mighty Mississippi.

Black Heritage Tour-3 hrs-\$25/pp

Memphis was a leader in the Civil Rights movement and has a rich African-American history. This tour will include driving by the National Civil Rights Museum built on the sight of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther

King, Jr. There will be a walking tour of Beale Street and we will finish with a driving tour of South Memphis.

Blues, Soul Rock & Roll-7 hrs-\$65/pp

This tour will take you through the Home of the Blues and the birthplace of Rock & Roll.

Don't forget they also know a thing or two about Soul, after all. The tour will begin with a visit to the Gibson Guitar Factory, then onto Smithsonian's Memphis Rock & Soul Museum. You will then talk a stroll along Beale Street (where if you like you can have lunch on your own) and end the day with a trip to STAX Museum of American Soul Music.

Golf-\$55/pp

Our golf outing will be to the North Creek Golf Club in South Haven, MS., just across the state line from Tennessee. This three and a half star links course has new Bermuda greens and challenges for all levels of golfers. Volunteer drivers will transport the group to the course, which is 15 miles from the hotel. All are welcome and your fee includes \$8.00 lunch. Please be sure to sign in when you pick up your packet at the Society's registration desk.

ADMIN & LOGISTICS (DETAILS)

Our Hotel– Marriott Memphis Downtown is the setting for our 94th annual reunion. Check-in will be at 4:00 pm and checkout 11:00 am. As usual, you can stay 3 days before and after the reunion at our rate. The hotel is located at 250 N Main St. The phone number is 901-527-7300 or 888-557-8740. Included is a coupon to enter into a raffle to have your room upgraded to a suite for the same price as a regular room. Fill out the coupon and include the \$5.00 donation to be entered in the raffle for the suite upgrade. Our Director will draw the winner on Monday, July 30, 2012 at the hotel.

Transportation from Airport– Memphis International Airport is located 15 minutes from our hotel. Tennco Express is offering a discount round trip shuttle ride for \$25 per person. Call 901-859-8377 to schedule your pickup or go to their website www.tenncoexpress.com and use coupon code X06HO to receive the special rate.

Parking– For those who drive to the reunion, self-parking is \$18/day with in and out privileges and valet parking for \$20/day. The parking garage is handled by AAA Parking.

Hotel Reunion Meals Special– The hotel is offering our attendees a 10% discount in hotel restaurants on food with your official reunion badge.

Schedule– If there is a reason that makes it impossible for you to arrive at the reunion on Wednesday, don't worry. The core of reunion events takes place on Friday and Saturday. We can accommodate you either way. If you can't attend the entire event, please feel free to join us whenever you can. You won't be sorry!

Spread The Word!– You can help to spread the word about our reunion by sending our News Release to the editor or pressroom of your local media. Please make copies and mail or fax it to all of the newspapers, magazines, TV and radio stations that you can. TIP: If you hand-deliver it, they may ask to interview you.

Unit Command Posts– As is our custom the 2nd, 16th, 18th, 26th and 28th Infantries, Artillery, Cavalry/Armor/Recon, Headquarters and Support Units will operate Command Posts (Hospitality Rooms) for their units. Veterans from units not listed are welcome in any CP. The size of your CP room will be based on the number of members from your unit attending.

Handicapped Rooms– Please do not request a handicapped room unless you absolutely need one. If you have problems with walking or anything else, please indicate them on your reservation form and we will do everything in our power to assist you. Please be considerate of your fellow 1st Division veterans.

Cutoff Date–The **cutoff date** for hotel room reservations is **June 29, 2012**. Please try to get your registration form to us well before that date. After June 29, 2012, hotel rooms will only be based on space and rate availability. After this date, you will have to contact the reservation desk at the hotel directly at 1-901-527-7300.

Hotel Cancellation/Refunds– If you make reservations and then have to cancel them, we will refund your full amount minus the registration fee, as long as it is 24 hours before your arrival. Cancellations made less than 24

hours from the arrival date will be charged for one night's hotel stay including tax and the registration fee. Please check with us if you have any questions. Any cancellations to be made before noon EST on July 27, 2012 should be directed to the Society office at 1-215-654-1969. After that time all cancellations must be made through the hotel as the Society staff will be in transit. Please call the hotel at 1-901-527-7300 to notify them of your cancellation and to leave your message for Jen Sanford.

Tour Cancellation/Refunds Tours– If you cancel by *June 29, 2012* you will receive a full refund. After June 29, 2012 there are no refunds.

Weather– The average temperatures are in the low 90's during the day. Please wear comfortable clothes for all tours as well as good walking shoes. Casual clothing is appropriate for most restaurants.

Confirmation– As usual, we will send you a written confirmation of all registration information.

Please check it over carefully and make sure you are signed up for all of the activities and functions you are interested in, as there is limited seating on some activities. The banquet is a very popular function, so please sign up early as we can only sell tickets to registered attendees of our reunion. **If any extra activities are not listed on your confirmation letter, then you have not paid for them and must call headquarters immediately to make corrections or additions to your registration.**