

DAYS OF OUR LIVES #312

ARMY SECURITY AGENCY / TURKEY REUNION GROUP

2019 REUNION LOCATION

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA



The **2019 ASA / Turkey Reunion will be held this year in Virginia Beach, VA.** It will be held at the **Springhill Suites** located right on the beach and along the three-mile boardwalk. It will **start on Sunday afternoon October 13th** and it will **end on Wednesday evening October 16th**. You will be checking out on Thursday morning October the 17th. Registration will begin on Sunday around 2:00 PM and it will be located inside the hospitality room. Additional information on the location of the hospitality room will be given in a later DOOL. Our special **ASA reunion rates will be good from Saturday October 12th thru Friday October 18th**.

There are 18 King Studio Suites, 18 Queen studio Suites and 4 handicap rooms reserved for our reunion. **The cost will be \$99.00 per night.** The rooms will be on a first come first served basis. Check in is 4:00 PM and check out is 11:00 AM. There will be **sales taxes added to our room rate** based on the current applicable state and local taxes plus a \$2.00 tax. Today's tax rate is 14% plus \$2.00.

Individual attendees will make their reservations by calling the hotel directly. The phone number to call is **757-417-3982**. In the next couple of weeks, there will be a link available for online reservations. When calling in you must identify yourself as a member of the Army Security Agency / Turkey Reunion Group (Don't use ASA) in order to get our special rate. **The rooms and the room rate of \$99.00 will only be good until August 29, 2019. After their cutoff date the hotel will accept reservations from attendees on a space and rate available basis.**

So please, if you are planning on attending the reunion make your reservation as soon as possible. **All reservation will require a first night deposit of \$99,00 plus all taxes.** If you will need to cancel your hotel reservation, you must do so 72 hours prior to your reservation in order to get a refund on your deposit.

The hotel provides complimentary in door parking (one car only) for each room. Unregistered hotel guests should use the 9th St. city parking garage located across the street and there is a nominal fee.

The hotel along with the help of the reunion committee members will enforce the city ordinance regarding personal alcoholic beverage being drunk inside the hotel or on the hotel's outside property. Alcoholic beverages purchased from one of the hotel bars are allowed though. **Our reunion group can drink their own personal alcoholic beverages in our HOSPITALITY ROOM and in their own SUITE.**



Springhill Suites, Virginia Beach Oceanfront
Marriott
901 Atlantic Avenue
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451

ASA Reservation: 757-417-3982 * Main phone: 757-383-6065

Transition into vacation mode at SpringHill Suites Virginia Beach Oceanfront. The hotel positions you by the shores of Virginia Beach within walking distance of the boardwalk and fishing pier. Easily access the Virginia Beach Convention Center for events. After soaking in our dazzling surroundings, rest in the spacious suites. Not only do they boast beach views and complimentary Wi-Fi, they also provide room service and plush bedding for your rejuvenating stay. Worked up an appetite? Fill up at their complimentary breakfast buffet serving an array of hot and fresh options. When you're enjoying a refreshing dip at the oceanfront pool, visit the Pool Bar & Grille for thirst-quenching cocktails as well as lunch and dinner fare. Maximize your travels with a heart-pumping workout at our 24-hour fitness center..

Property Location

When you stay at SpringHill Suites by Marriott Virginia Beach Oceanfront in Virginia Beach, you'll be on the beach, just steps from Virginia Beach Boardwalk and Pacific Avenue. This beach hotel is 0.2 mi (0.3 km) from Atlantic Wildfowl Heritage Museum and 0.4 mi (0.6 km) from Virginia Beach Fishing Pier.

Rooms

Make yourself at home in one of the 168 air-conditioned rooms featuring kitchenettes with refrigerators and microwaves. Your room comes with a pillowtop bed, and all rooms are furnished with sofa beds. Rooms have private balconies. Flat-screen televisions with cable programming provide entertainment, while complimentary wireless Internet access keeps you connected.

Amenities

Be sure to enjoy recreational amenities, including an indoor pool, a spa tub, and a fitness center. This hotel also features complimentary wireless Internet access, and a television in a common area.

Dining

Enjoy a meal at the restaurant or stay in and take advantage of the hotel's room service (during limited hours). Wrap up your day with a drink at the poolside bar. A complimentary buffet breakfast is served daily.

Business, Other Amenities

Featured amenities include a business center, express check-out, and complimentary newspapers in the lobby. Free self-parking is available onsite.

Amenities

All public areas non-smoking
Car Rental
Foreign exchange, nearby
Housekeeping service daily
Laundry on-site
Laundry on-site, coin

Local restaurant dinner delivery
Mobility accessible rooms
Newspaper in lobby
Room service
Safe deposit boxes, front desk
Valet dry-cleaning
complimentary breakfast buffet

Airport Information

Norfolk International Airport (ORF) [Visit ORF airport website](#)

Airport Phone: +1 757-857-3200

Hotel direction: 20 miles W

This hotel does not provide shuttle service.

Alternate transportation: Orange Peel Transportation; fee: 45 USD (one way); on request

Estimated taxi fare: \$40.00 (one way)

Driving directions from Airport to Hotel

64 E to 264 E. Follow signs to Oceanfront. Straight to Atlantic Avenue. Take right at light. Proceed to 9th & Atlantic. Hotel will be on your left.

Newport News/Williamsburg Intl Airport (PHF) [Visit PHF airport website](#)

Airport Phone: +1 757-877-0221

Hotel direction: 44 miles NW

This hotel does not provide shuttle service.

Alternate transportation: Carey VIP Chauffeured Services; fee: \$65.00 (one way); on request

Estimated taxi fare: \$60.00 (one way)

Driving directions from Airport to Hotel

64 E to 264 E. Follow signs to Oceanfront. Straight to Atlantic Avenue. Take right at light. Proceed to 9th & Atlantic. Hotel will be on your left.

Car Rental – Hertz Phone: 757-437-8243

Navy Exchange Bldg. 541

Virginia Beach, VA 23460



HOTEL SUITES Photos

Queen/Queen Studio Suite - Sleeping Area

One-Bedroom Suite – Guest Dining Area



Studio Suite - Living Area

Public Breakfast Area & Communal Table



King Studio Suite - Sleeping Area

One-Bedroom Suite - Guest Bathroom



Dining Area & Wet Bar

King Studio Suite - Living Area



Studio Suite Guest Bathroom

Lobby





The Market



Business Center



Breakfast Buffet



Breakfast Area



Station 10 Bar & Grill
Oceanfront Patio



Station 10 Bar & Grill
at Ocean Beach Club



Breakfast Bowl



Yogurt Your Way



Queen/Queen One-Bedroom Suite -
Sleeping Area



Queen/Queen One-Bedroom Suite -
Living Area



Waffle Perfection

Eggs Your Way



Beach Club Hot Tub

Oceanside Indoor Pool



Fitness Center

Fitness Center



Beach Club Outdoor Pool

Beach Club Outdoor Pool



Planned events and Tours:

Group Dinner

At the present time there isn't a reunion group dinner(s) planned for this year's reunion. Virginia Beach is primarily a family tourist town and they seemed to lack seating space, handicap facilities or parking lots for our size group dinners. The following are eating spots that some of the committee members have eaten at and enjoyed their dinner and pricing.

Individual or Individual Group Dinner Spots

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday Evening restaurant suggestions

Aldo's Ristorante - Car
Black Angus Restaurant – Walk
Blue Pete's Restuarant – Car
Bonfish Grill - Car
Captain George's Seafood – Car
Free Masson Abbey - Downtown Norfolk
Ice House - Car
IL Giardino Ristorante – Walk
Rockafeller's On Rudee inlet - Car
Rudee's On The Inlet – Car
Waterman's Surfside Grill – Walk



**Rockafeller's
on Rudee Inlet**



Scheduled Tours

There are four field trip tours planned for this year's reunion. **These planned tours will only materialize if we get 35 individuals to sign up for them by August 1, 2019.** Reservations for each tour will be accepted on a first come first reserved basis. Your payment for these tours will not be accepted until the tours become a reality, which will be sometime in the middle of August. At that time, you will be notified by us that the tour(s) that you chose will become a reality or it was cancelled. The first three tours to become booked will be the only tours. The fourth tour will be eliminated because we only have three days available for touring the sites. If none of the planned tours receive the necessary 35 reservation by August 1st dead line, then there will be no tours for this year's reunion.

If you signed up for one or more tours, you will be picked up in the morning of your tour at the front of the hotel by bus and you will be returned to the hotel by the same bus. **The cost of the tour includes the cost of the bus, the tour guide and the admission charge.** Lunch is not included. You will be allotted time to eat lunch at the site.

There is a **separate registration form** for you to complete and send back to us if you are interested in participating in a tour(s). Just follow the instructions on that registration form.

The **four tour sites** that you can choose from are as follows:

- A. Touring "**Colonial Williamsburg**" – 8:30 to 4:30 \$84.00/person
- B. Touring the "**Reenactment Jamestown Settlement**" (run by CW) and then touring the original "**Historic Jamestown Island**" – 8:30 to 4:30 \$85.00/person
- C. Touring the "**American Revolution Museum at Yorktown**" and then touring the "**Yorktown Battlefield**" – 8:30 to 4:30 \$72.00/person
- D. Touring the City of Norfolk Sites & Area – **Nauticus Complex**, the **Battleship Wisconsin**, the **Waterside District**, cruise on the "**Victory Rover**" on a naval themed vessel, visit the **MacArthur Memorial** – 9:00 to 4:00 \$75.00/person

NOTE: The price per person does not include **Gratuities** for the tour guide or the bus driver and are at the discretion of each attending individual.

Tour sites synopsis:

Tour A

Depart via motor coach for the charming town of Williamsburg. Your tour guide will provide interesting and informative narration during the ride about the historic Virginia Peninsula and the Coastal Virginia area. Experience a full day touring this living museum, with



admission ticket providing entry into the many exhibition buildings, including the Capitol and the Governor's Palace. See the introductory film, "Story of a Patriot", tour historic homes, public buildings and 18th century craft shops where costumed hosts recreate the sights and sounds of America 200 years ago.

Guests will also enjoy free time to shop and browse in the many unique specialty shops in Merchants Square. High quality apparel, gifts, jewelry, beautiful furniture and holiday decorations are but a few of the offerings found in this quaint, picturesque shopping area. Guests may enjoy lunch on their own in one of the Colonial Taverns or in Merchants Square. The guide will point out all the dining options as you pass through town.

TOUR B

Board the motor coach with your tour guide and spend the morning at Jamestown Settlement. Established in 1607, this was the first permanent settlement in the New World. Guests will enjoy touring the re-created village of Jamestown which chronicles the nation's 17th century beginnings in Virginia in the context of its Powhatan Indian, English and western central African cultures. Jamestown represents an enduring legacy of language, culture and government. Through an introductory film, "1607: A Nation Takes Root," and expansive 30,000 square foot indoor exhibition galleries, guests will discover the political, social and economic factors that led to the colonization of the New World, the culture of the Powhatan Indians of coastal Virginia at the time of the English arrival, and the first century of the Virginia colony when Jamestown served as its capital. Outside, history comes alive in re-creations of a Powhatan Indian village, a colonial fort, and the three ships - Susan Constant, Godspeed and Discovery - that transported English colonists to Virginia in 1607. Costumed historical interpreters demonstrate work and everyday life of the era and engage visitors in a variety of activities. Lunch can be enjoyed on your own in the Jamestown Café and there will be time to browse the beautiful gift shop for unique "Made in Virginia" items.



Next, travel to nearby Historic Jamestown Island, original site of the first permanent English settlement in America in 1607. Exhibits include ruins of the 17th century settlement, a beautiful visitor's center as well as the 1639 Church Tower, the only 17th century building still standing at Jamestown, and one of the oldest English built structures in the United States. Also visit the Orchidarium, a newly built exhibition facility which displays and interprets the archaeological discoveries at the first permanent English settlement in the New World and the birthplace of America. The Orchidarium is built over the remains of the last Statehouse in Jamestown (1600-1688) and shows portions of the excavated ruins of the Statehouse through sections of glass flooring.

TOUR C

Join your tour guide on the motor coach and visit the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown, which tells anew the story of the nation's founding, from the twilight of the colonial period to the dawn of the Constitution and beyond. Exciting new indoor galleries feature period artifacts, immersive environments, interactive exhibits and films, including "The Siege of Yorktown," with a 180-degree surround screen and dramatic special effects. In the outdoor living-history areas, guests can witness artillery demonstrations, drill with wooden muskets at a re-created Continental Army encampment and explore a Revolution-era farm based on a real-life 18th-century family.



Enjoy lunch on your own in the quaint village of Yorktown.

Then visit the Yorktown Battlefield to see first-hand where the battles took place. Begin at the visitor's center and then view the Revolutionary War battlefields and associated sites. Your guide will point out areas of interest.

TOUR D

- Travel with your tour guide to **Nauticus**, a unique and thriving campus of visitor attractions that explores the economic, naval, and natural powers of the sea. Features here include a series of interactive exhibits, 3D, high-def films in the 250-person theater, and aquariums of marine life. Also housed here is the Hampton Roads Naval Museum, one of ten museums officially operated by the U.S. Navy. Highlights of the naval battles and exhibits of detailed ship models, artwork, and memorabilia are showcased throughout.
- A true highlight of any visit to Nauticus is a self-guided tour of the **Battleship Wisconsin**, one of the famous Iowa-class ships. This great ship saw action in WWII, the Korean War and most recently in the Persian Gulf War. The Wisconsin is permanently berthed beside Nauticus where it is accessed by a connecting walkway. Explore the main deck and recently opened portions of the interior to learn about this famous ship, those who fought and served on board and the role that this mighty warship has played in the defense of our nation.
- Visit **Waterside District**, Norfolk's unique waterfront festival marketplace located on the scenic Elizabeth River, for lunch on your own. Waterside offers a variety of eateries, from sit-down restaurants to casual counters. Indoor and outdoor seating are both available.
- Next cruise the **Victory Rover** through the bustling Hampton Roads Harbor, one of the largest in the world. Enjoy fascinating and entertaining commentary during the two-hour excursion aboard this naval themed vessel. Take in the sights of



aircraft carriers, nuclear submarines, guided cruisers and all the other ships that form the world's most powerful armada.

- Then, visit the **MacArthur Memorial** for a glimpse into our country's history. Here you will view the outstanding collection housed in Norfolk's historic city hall which trace the life and achievements of five-star General Douglas MacArthur. You will also have the opportunity to view the short film which chronicles the General's life. The General and Mrs. MacArthur are entombed in the rotunda of the memorial. Nine separate galleries arranged in two levels circle the rotunda and tell the story of General MacArthur and the millions of American men and women who served in the United States Armed Forces from the Civil War through the Korean War. A gift shop with unique memorabilia is located on the premises.



***IMPORTANT**

October is the touring company's busiest month of the year!

Our tour is on a **first come first scheduled basis** with all the other groups that are scheduling a tour with them. **We aren't guaranteed a tour until we have 35 people who have returned their registration forms to us.** If you really want to take one or all of their tours, then **send back your registration form today or ASAP.**

You aren't required to send any money at this, just the registration form. The bus will hold a total of fifty people. But 35 people are needed to reserve the bus.