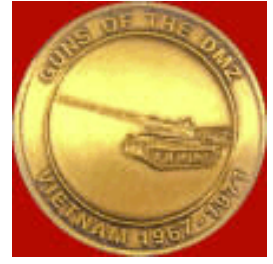




## **8<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery REUNION 2008 – WASHINGTON, D.C.**



**When: May 2 (Friday) thru May 6 (Tuesday), 2008**

**Where: Sheraton National Hotel, 900 S. Orme St., Arlington, VA 22204**

**The Sheraton National is an urban 16-story structure, with elevators to every floor, and with a 390 space underground parking garage. When exiting the parking garage, BE SURE to ask for a receipt. If you return to the garage and decide to exit THE SAME DAY, your receipt will verify that you HAD ALREADY PAID FOR THAT DAY!**

**Check-In will be on Friday, May 2, starting at 3 pm. If driving yourself, the Hotel Registration Desk is to the right of the elevator from the parking garage AND across the lobby. If arriving via the Complimentary Airport Shuttle, the Hotel Registration Desk is to the left, after passing through the glass doors. Our Hospitality Room is across the lobby from the Hotel Registration Desk and on the same side of the hotel as their desk.**

**Reunion Registration will be outside the Hospitality Room, starting at 2 pm on Friday. There, each reunion attendee can pick up his/her Goodie Bag, Reunion Cap, and gift for each 8-4 Veteran. Among several items in the Goodie Bags will be city maps of D.C., METRO (public transportation) maps, buffet breakfast coupons, and tour brochures.**

**Right next to our Registration Table will be our raffle items. The items on the first table will be for a \$10 donation [to our association] and the items on the second table will be for a \$5 donation [again, to our association]. Look them over and please be generous with your ticket purchases. (There will be DIFFERENT COLOR TICKETS for the different price raffles.) A third table will have our coins, unit crests, additional lanyards, additional lapel pins, 2006 Reunion DVDs, and additional 2008 Reunion Caps for sale.**

**The Hospitality Room will be open daily for gathering and chatting. Feel free to partake of the beverages.**

**On Saturday morning, a buffet breakfast will be served in the Potomac Restaurant starting at 6:30 am. Following breakfast, there will be a chartered City Tour, which will leave the hotel at 10 am. The first stop will be at the Vietnam Memorial (The Wall) where a group photo will be taken. The next, and last, stop will be at the Reagan Building where you can lunch on your own. Be sure to have a PHOTO ID for admittance to the Reagan Building; there will also be an X-Ray scan of baggage. (Leave those M1911s at home. ☺ ) Following lunch, the tour will continue – arriving back at the hotel at 3 pm.**

**Starting at 7 pm, a buffet dinner will be served at the hotel. There will be a cash bar.**

**On Sunday, a buffet breakfast will be served, starting at 6:30 am. Following breakfast, the hotel's COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE will take you to the METRO Stop. Once there, you can choose to shop at the indoor 3-Story Fashion Centre or take the METRO train to Arlington Cemetery by riding a Blue Line train with "LARGO" on the side and getting off at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stop (a 4 - minute ride). The cost is \$2.70,**

round-trip, and the METRO accepts ONLY cash, VISA, or MasterCard. You can also ride the METRO to ANOTHER stop if you do NOT wish to take a Tourmobile Tour at this time.

The cemetery is a short walk from the METRO Stop.

Once inside the Visitors Center of the Arlington Cemetery, you can buy a ticket for \$ 7 to take the Arlington National Cemetery Tour ONLY or you can buy a one-day ticket for the American Heritage Tour of Washington DC & Arlington Cemetery for \$ 25 – which INCLUDES the Arlington National Cemetery Tour – OR – a two-day ticket for \$ 35, this also includes the Arlington National Cemetery Tour. A good feature of the Tourmobile Sightseeing Tour is that you can get off the bus – spend as much time as you want at a stop – then get back on another bus. – ALL for the original price of the ticket. Tourmobile buses run about every 30 minutes. (Go to [www.tourmobile.com](http://www.tourmobile.com) and visit their FAQs for answers to MANY questions.) When you decide to return to the hotel, go to the METRO station, and look for a Blue Line train that has LARGO on the side and get off at the 2<sup>nd</sup> stop (again) – but this time, Pentagon City. From there, go back to the surface and wait for the COMPLIMENTARY HOTEL SHUTTLE to go back to the Sheraton National hotel. The shuttle picks up passengers at its stop at quarter-to and quarter-after the hour.

On Monday, a buffet breakfast will be served, starting at 6:30. You can again take the hotel's COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE to the METRO stop and either shop, ride on the METRO train to wherever you wish, or take the METRO train to Arlington Cemetery for the Tourmobile Sightseeing Tour.

Allow yourself PLENTY of time to freshen-up and attend our 6 pm Reception, but REMEMBER – Our banquet starts at 7 pm. Try to be prompt. Banquet dress is casual. Recommendations: Ladies – Skirt & Blouse or Street Dress --- Men – Shirt & Slacks. Coat & Tie are optional.

On Tuesday, Check-Out Day for most, our final buffet breakfast will be served in the Potomac Restaurant, starting at 6:30, and the hotel's COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE will provide transportation to the Reagan Airport.

If you have questions, contact your Reunion Chairman IGOR (Gerald Mazur) at 724-339-7028 – or – [igor@scaredofbees.com](mailto:igor@scaredofbees.com)