

# AMPHIBIOUS SHIPS REUNION



## Schedule of Events

### Group Welcome Buffet

Thursday, September 5 (1800)

Time to kick off your reunion, greet your friends and make new ones, at a *Group Welcome Buffet* in the Millennium Hotel featuring Prime Rib. Multiple ships have once again come together to make this a truly unique reunion. Come visit with old friends and make some new ones and enjoy some Prime Rib.

### Erie Canal Cruise with Lunch

Friday, September 6 (0900-1500)



Come aboard for a relaxing ride on the 19th-century engineering marvel which opened up the American Frontier. Your fun and informative cruise will take you past five of the original 1800's locks. Three million gallons of water will fill Locks 34 & 35, the only double set on the [Erie Canal](#), and raise the boat 50 feet. You'll pass under Lockport's "Upside Down Bridge," Lockport's "Big Bridge" (the widest bridge in the U.S. at 299 feet wide), through the "deep rock cut" and under lift bridges. The lively narration will be given by the Coast Guard Licensed Captain.

Prior to the cruise, a buffet lunch will be served at the Lockport Locks facility. Price includes round-trip motor coach, 2 hour locks cruise, bountiful buffet lunch, taxes and service charges.

### Tour USS Little Rock & Buffalo Naval & Military Park

Saturday, September 7 (0930-1530)

The [Buffalo and Erie County Naval & Military Park](#) is a museum on the shore of Lake Erie. It is home to several decommissioned US Naval vessels, including the Cleveland-class cruiser USS Little Rock, the Fletcher-class destroyer USS Sullivan, and the submarine USS Croaker. The only guided missile cruiser on display in the U.S. today, the USS *Little Rock* is the sole survivor of the U.S. Navy's World War II Cleveland class of light cruisers, the most abundant of all U.S. wartime cruisers (29 vessels total). Along with the ships, there are outdoor exhibits with a variety of smaller vehicles, vessels, and aircraft on display at the park. On the waterfront, RiverWorks is a multi-faceted entertainment complex that features a brewery, restaurant and many shops for browsing. This will be a great Navy day! Tour includes bus and admission.



### Buffalo City Tour & Niagara Falls

Sunday, September 8 (0900-1500)

Today will be a very exciting day as we first head out by bus to Niagara Falls, NY. Our local tour guide will regale you with historical anecdotes about "The Falls" as we wind our way through the State Park to see and photograph the Falls from several different perspectives. We will stay on the American side, so passports are not required. Then we head back to [Buffalo](#) to continue a riding tour of the city, to see all the sights of this renaissance city. After our tour there will be time for lunch on your own downtown before returning to the hotel. A great day out! Tour includes motor coach and professional guides.

## **Membership Meeting at the Hotel Sunday, September 8 (1530)**

Ships will meet individually to share their experiences with this year's reunion, and to discuss their future plans and desires. Reunion organizers will be on hand to receive feedback.

## **Banquet Dinner Sunday, September 8 (1800)**

Join your friends for your Banquet Dinner at the Hotel. Portraits and group photos will start at 1700, cocktails will be available from the cash bar at 1800, and dinner will be served at 1930. Please make your entrée selection on the reservation form.

## **General Information**

**ALL RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY JULY 25, 2019** Late reservations will be accepted on a space available basis with a non-refundable \$15 per person late fee. Please make a copy of this information for your records. Should you need additional information call our offices Monday through Friday at 817-251-3551 or email us at [info@MilitaryReunionPlanners.com](mailto:info@MilitaryReunionPlanners.com). Requests for cancellations and refunds must be made by email or in writing to MRP, P.O. Box 1588, Colleyville, TX 76034, and postmarked before the due date. No refunds will be made after this date unless you have purchased *Tour Cancellation Insurance*. Sorry, no refunds will be given for any reason beginning at midnight the day of your reunion. Please note there is a refund processing fee of \$10 per person. For written confirmation of your cancellation please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request to our office. Your cancelled check is your receipt as well as your proof of purchase. A \$25 return fee will be charged for NSF checks. MRP will not be held liable for failure of vendors to provide contracted services or any injuries/accidents that may occur during the reunion.

### Important Reunion Notes:

- Tours may be cancelled if a minimum required number of reservations are not received. In this case you will be notified in advance and full refunds will be issued.
- Please understand that a certain amount of walking is necessary to/from the bus in order to view attractions and in some instances, to tour or explore the attraction itself. Please notify MRP of any challenges you have with walking and/or getting on a bus. Wheelchair lift buses cannot be guaranteed.
- Event times & offerings are subject to change. Please check registration for the final itinerary.
- Please advise MRP of any special needs or disabilities



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