



**Please Join Us for the 61st Annual Reunion
of the
503rd Parachute Regimental Combat Team
Wednesday, September 13 -Sunday, September 17, 2017**

Reunion Registration

For proper planning, please register by Friday, August 4, 2017

The 503rd Reunion Registration Fee is \$100.00 per person

Please see the enclosed registration form for children and guest pricing

Checks should be made payable to:

503rd Reunion

Please fill out the reunion registration form and mail it to

Nancy Young 10445 Old Telegraph Road, Ashland, VA 23005

For questions call 804-550-3354 or email youngncy@comcast.net

Fee includes lunch on Friday and banquet on Saturday evening in the banquet room

Hospitality room, Name Tags & other expenses to make this reunion **GREAT!**

**Our tentatively planned off-site excursions will be trips to
Fort Hood on Thursday and to the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and
Museum on Friday.**

61st Annual 503rd Parachute Regimental Combat Team

Reunion Schedule

(Program & Times Subject to Change)

Wednesday September 13, 2017

12 noon – 4:00 pm	Check in & Registration
4:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Registration and Hospitality Room Open

Thursday September 14, 2017

6:00 am – 8:45 am	Breakfast on your own
9:00 am	Caravan to Fort Hood Visitors Center
9:30 am-12:15pm	Army bus to First Calvary Division Horse Detachment Demonstration and Tour of First Calvary Division Museum
12:30 pm -1:30 pm	Lunch at Fort Hood
1:30 pm	Return to hotel
2:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Meet and Greet, Memorabilia Displays and Discussions, Hospitality Room open

Friday September 15, 2017

6:00 am – 9:30 am	Breakfast on your own
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Presentation on history of the Texas Rangers by Rick Miller
10:30 am – 12:00 noon	Early Lunch on your own (hotel does not serve lunch)
12:30 noon- 4:30 pm	Chartered bus trip to Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum in Waco
5:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Hospitality Room open

Saturday September 16, 2017

7:00 am – 9:30 am	Breakfast on your own
10:00 am – 11:30 am	Membership/Board Meeting in Hospitality Room
12:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Hospitality Room open
6:30 pm	Banquet/Auction
Following banquet – 11:00 pm	Hospitality Room open

Sunday September 17, 2017

7:00 am – 11:00 am	Breakfast on your own
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Good Bye and have a safe trip to your next destination!

2017 503rd Parachute Regimental Combat Team Reunion

Hotel Registration Information

Dates

Wednesday September 13 – Sunday September 16, 2017

Location

Killeen Hilton Garden Inn
2704 O.W. Curry Drive
Killeen, TX 76542
1-254-554-3900

Standard Guest Room-Standard king or Double queen

\$80.00 per night plus taxes

Room rates do **NOT** include continental breakfast

Reservations

To make reservations for accommodations, call the hotel reservation department at 1-254-554-3900. When making your reservations, identify yourself as attendees and request the group rate for the WWII 503rd Reunion.

Cut off Room Reservation date

All room reservations must be made by 12:01 am on Monday, August 14th. Rooms booked after these dates are not guaranteed and will be base on availability. Higher rates may apply and room type will not be guaranteed.

Hotel Features

- Great American Grill-serving only Breakfast and Dinner
- In-Room Dining available
- 24-hour Business center
- Pavillion Pantry convenience mart
- Complimentary highspeed Internet access throughout hotel
- 24-hour Fitness Center
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Whirlpool
- Coin Laundry

Killeen Hilton Garden Inn is located within walking distance of restaurants and shops.

Airport Transportation

ANS Shuttle Service provides transportation to and from the hotel, which is located approximately 15 minutes from the Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport. Shuttle service runs approximately \$15.00 per person, each way. ANS Shuttle Service 1-254-690-6725

Driving Instructions

From I-35 go west on the US 190/Killeen/Fort Hood exit (recently designated as I-14) and drive 14.7 miles. Just past the stone Killeen city limits structure, take the W.S. Young exit, stay in the left lane of the access road, and go all the way to the turnaround at W.S. Young (there's a red light there). Take the turnaround and go back east on the service road. As you reach the Applebee's Restaurant, turn right onto Curry Drive and drive a half block to the Hilton Garden Inn sign and turn left. The hotel will be directly to your front.

Saturday Night Auction

Don't forget to bring items for our auction on Saturday night!

503rd News

\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ Money Matters---Many thanks to those who have already sent in their dues! We are half-way to meeting our dues goal of \$4,000. If you have not already done so, please send in your dues at your earliest convenience! \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

MAIL CALL

Gene Oakey wrote that she likes reading the newsletter, even though she doesn't know many of the names mention. She said her husband would have enjoyed reading it!

William Zinkhan wrote that he served at Ft. Hood for two years and would like to attend the reunion if he can fit it into his schedule. He reflected upon a time when he was in Atlanta, GA with his father and took his dad to Ft. Benning. He said his father told him all about how he trained to be a paratrooper. They saw the training tower and where they actually jumped near the airfield. His father noted that Ft. Benning in 1985, did not resemble the way he remembered it. Bill said he had been lucky to be able to attend some of the Corregidor Dinners in Valley Forge as well as several as some of the national reunions with his father!

Liz O'Neill sent a note that she hopes to attend the reunion in Killeen. She said the last time she was in Killeen, TX, Frank O'Neill met her at the airport with her engagement ring and put it on her finger in the parking lot. What a great story, Liz!

Loraine Blackmon had her daughter Pam write a note for her. Loraine has macular degeneration and is unable to read or write. She enjoys receiving the 503rd newsletters even though she is unable to attend reunions.

Hope to see lots of ya'll in Texas!

503rd Parachute Regimental Combat Team

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****PLEASE RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH PAYMENT****

Self-addressed envelope is enclosed!

_____ How many will be registered to attend reunion, luncheon and banquet at \$100.00 per person?

Please print names

Unit

1. _____

2. _____ spouse

3. _____

4. _____

_____ How many other guests will attend **ONLY** the Saturday evening banquet with you at a cost of \$40.00 per person per meal? Please indicate guest name(s) and meal(s):

1. _____

2. _____

Will you be flying into Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport? ____yes ____no

Date you plan to check in _____ Date you plan to check out _____

Enclosed is my check payable in the amount of _____

Payable to **503rd Reunion**

Registration deadline is Friday, August 4, 2017.

Mail to:

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10445 Old Telegraph Road

Ashland, VA 23005

Any questions, call (804)550-3354 (home)

(804)-357-3297 (cell)

youngncy@comcast.net

Your Name _____ Telephone Number _____

For additional pricing information, please contact Nancy Young.