

“STEEL TIGERS”
2017 PRESIDNETS LETTER/REUNION SCHEDULE
COLUMBUS, GA

Presidents Letter;

All Cynthia and I hope this finds you and your families in good health. We have been working hard to get the reunion for 2017 on the road.

The association is preparing to dedicate the 77th Armor Monument on the 2nd of June 2017 at the future home of the Armor and Cavalry Museum. To bring everyone up to speed the association has been planning and raising funds internally for three years. We are close, however we encourage everyone who wants to own a piece of the monument to contribute. You can go to the Steel Tigers Web page or [77th Armor Monument Contribution](#) (ctrl+left click)

The Marriott Hotel is ready to go, including online booking. The link is below on the schedule; we have 60 rooms reserved with at least 2 handicapped rooms set aside. I can expand in blocks of 10 as needed. This is not a large hotel like the last three years. So do not procrastinate like me and wait until April/May of next year or you might not get a room. I have already used the link below and booked my room, so I know it works. Booking early helps Cynthia and I plan the resources.

We have the Sycamore Room reserved at the Iron Works for the banquet on the 3rd. The room can hold comfortably up to 150 guest and can expand up to 300 should we require it. The Iron Works are directly across the street from the Marriott. It like most of the downtown area is historic and has gone through a beautiful revitalization process. In the early 1970's when dad was stationed there it was ready for the wrecking ball.

Unfortunately, the caterer has to get their rates for 2017 established so I'm still several weeks out from the actual Reunion Registration form getting done and put on line, but wanted to get this word out for your planning purposes, we will do another net call when that milestone is met. Do not let that hold you up on the hotel reservation, decide now what and when you want to attend, it is easier for me to turn off resources at the last minute than it is to add because of a flood of last minute additions.

Should you decide to attend or just be kept abreast of the associations activities please go to the Steel Tigers web site or: <http://www.steeltigers.org/join.php> and renew or begin your membership with the association.

As I said, we have been planning this for three years and our members want to make this one of the best events yet. Cynthia and I look forward to seeing as many Steel Tigers as possible as this event.

Finally, we are changing the way we schedule yearly reunions, I'm looking for the reunion host for 2018.

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HOTEL; 29 May – 5 June 17 (Ask for Steel Tigers Group Rate)

MARRIOTT
800 Front Ave
COLUMBUS, GA. 31904
PH; 706-324-1800

Self-Parking, however valet is available.

Or go to;

[Book your group rate for Steel Tigers Reunion](#)

REGISTRATION: 31 May & 1 June Main Lobby (afterwards in the Hospitality Suite)

HOSPITALITY ROOM: 1 – 4 June 17

LOCATION: (TBA)

1 JUNE 17

NATIONAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

Load Bus: 0930

Tour: 1000

Box Lunch: 1200

Return to Hotel 1400

2 JUNE 17

77TH ARMOR REGIMENT MONUMENT DEDICATION

Banquet Breakfast: 0600-0800 (Imperial room 1st floor lobby)

Load Buses: 0800

Graduation Ceremony/Veterans Recognition: 0830

Monument Dedication: Upon completion of Graduation Ceremony

Wreath Laying/Tour Monument: 1000

Banquet Lunch National Infantry Museum: 1200

Tour National Infantry Museum: 1200

Load Buses and Return to Hotel 1600

3 JUNE 17 – Morning Meetings 1st floor Imperial Room

0900 Executive Committee Meeting:

1000 General Committee Meeting

1100 Strat Comm Meeting (2018 Reunion **Location ???** (Looking for Volunteers))

Banquet: - COLUMBUS CONVENTION AND TRADE CENTER (AKA: IRON WORKS)

Location; Sycamore Room

1700 Social Hour

1800 Banquet

2100 Mission Complete

4 JUNE 17 – 1st floor Imperial Room

1000 Memorial Service