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USS MC CAFFERY DDE/DD -860 SHIPMATES ASSOCIATION - REUNION -2023





From The Editor: Hello shipmates, spouse's and friends of the McCaffery. This letter ia a special issue to provide additional information on the scheduled upcoming reunion in Norfolk Va.

An apology: In the last Newsletter I inserted a picture of a hotel in Virginia beach. This hotel is not the one for the reunion. Sorry for the misleading information.

Respectfully, James Bell— Editor.



Hello Shipmates,

We are sending out this special Newsletter to talk about our upcoming McCaffery reunion in Norfolk 11-14 October.

Ron Trippett has done an outstanding job in setting up the arrangements. We will be at a centrally located motel in Virginia Beach at a reasonable cost. Events include a harbor cruise at Naval Station Norfolk to view the ships, a tour at Williamsburg, VA, a tour of the Newport News Maritime Museum, and a visit to the battleship USS Wisconsin.

But the best part will be getting together with shipmates and friends again, and sharing Sea Stories about our time on the MAC. Please sign up now if you are able. So far we have had only a few shipmates sign up, and it would be a shame to miss out on this chance to get together, or have to cancel our reunion because not enough shipmates have signed up.

It is true that, as our demographics show, we are all getting older and more frail. But I hope that we can have this reunion, and others in the future, because the McCaffery, and our times aboard her were a significant part of our lives.

Fair winds and following seas. Doug

Note: This reunion is not just for Shipmates., If you think family members or friends would be be interested please feel free to invite them.

Reunion information: Arrival: Wednesday, October 11, 2023, Departure: Sunday, October 15, 2023. The Holiday Inn, Virginia Beach/Norfolk Hotel 5655 Greenwich Road Virginia Beach, VA 23462

\$144.00 Rate includes breakfast for 2 people each day. Free parking and airline pick up.

For reservations, call the Holiday Inn Virginia Beach-Norfolk Hotel & Conference Center directly at **757.499.4400**. Reservations by attendees must be received on or before September 20, 2023 ('cut-off date'). **Rate is available 3 days prior and after .

For those traveling by airline you will arrive at Norfolk International Airport (ORF). Call the holiday Inn for free shuttle pick up (7;00 am—8:00 pm) at Gate 1. Expect a max 30 minute wait



McCAFFERY MERCHANDISE:

<u>Please disregard the adds on social media, get your items here</u>. Blue Polo Shirts s-m-l-xl \$20.00, xxl \$24.00, xxxl \$26.00, white T's at \$8.50 with pic, blue T's with Tin Can Pic on back \$20.00 (limited supply), Pic's can be found on TCS web and Mac web. Jackets \$35.00, xxl ,\$38.00 Caps \$17.50, Lic Plate Holders \$8.00, Patches. Drive Them Into The Sea" & "Hedgehogs" \$5.50 each/two for \$10.00. USS McCaffery Shoulder Patches \$2.50. Bumper stickers are 4 by 11". Cost \$5.50 each or two for \$10.00.

When placing an order, Send to: Ron Trippett 17 Bay View Circle , Salem, Mass 01970. (rontrippett@comcast.net)

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Dress code is casual with the exception of the banquet, Request no dungarees please for this event.