

USS MILLS GAZETTE

SEPTEMBER 2015



DC REUNION

Our home from October 29 until the morning of November 2 2015 will be the Westin Crystal City, Arlington Virginia. We have a rate of 134.47 inclusive. Underground parking is an additional \$5.00 per night. Breakfast is included and will be in our hospitality room from 7:30 'til 9 a.m. A credit card will be needed to guarantee your reservation. To make Reservations please call 1-888-627-8209. Make it clear that you are to be placed in the USS MILLS REUNION BLOCK, and appropriate dates. Please get a confirmation number and keep it. The D.C. Metro station {Crystal City} is less than 100 yards from the hotel. Venues are \$125.00 per person, pls. send to Ben. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS ASAP. Our cut off for reservations remains [Oct. 8](#)

Thursday October 29

Upon arrival go to Hospitality room {Crystal 5&6.} Pick-up welcome bags and greet old & new friends

Friday October 30

- 7:30 AM Breakfast in Hospitality Room Crystal 5 & 6
- 9:15 AM Depart Westin for Arlington Cemetery
- 9:30 AM Get tickets and begin Arlington Tour
- 12:00 PM Depart cemetery for Lincoln Memorial
- 12:15 PM Lunch & walk around Lincoln Memorial, Viet Nam Wall
- 1:00 PM Depart for Fords Theater Tour begins at 1:30 P.M.
- 3:15 PM Depart Ford's theater for bus tour of the National Mall with a possible stop at the Navy Memorial and WWII Memorial.
- 5:00 PM Return to Hotel.

- 6:00 PM Light supper served in the Hospitality Room. Followed by Karaoke with Loretta Johnson

Saturday October 31

- 7:30 AM Breakfast in hospitality room.
- 9:00 AM Annual meeting in Hospitality room. Please attend!

Balance of the day free

- 6:00 PM Crew gathers for dinner In Jefferson 1 room. It is on the same floor as the hospitality room {Crystal 5 & 6}
- 7:00 PM Return to Hospitality room for raffle and Birthday celebrations
- 8:PM Rosie the Riveter Show

Sunday November 1

- 7:30 AM Breakfast in hospitality room
- 8:45 AM Short prayer service with Tom Link
- 9:15 AM Depart hotel for Smithsonian American history Museum
- 10:00 AM Begin tour
- 12:00 PM. Depart for Union Station lunch on own at many venues
- 1:00 PM Depart for Holocaust museum
- 1:30 PM Begin tour of Holocaust Museum
- 4:30 PM Depart for hotel
- 5:00PM Arrive at hotel
- 6:00PM Light Dinner in Hospitality room

Monday November 2

Depart for Home GOD BLESS ALL



CHINA TOWN in Washington DC

Museums, theaters and galleries share the streets with bustling restaurants, lounges and hotels. Downtown is full of must-see sights like the [International Spy Museum](#), [Newseum](#), [Madame Tussauds Washington D.C.](#), the [National Museum of Women in the Arts](#), the [Crime Museum](#) and [Ford's Theatre](#). Framed by the iconic, colorful Friendship Arch, DC's Chinatown is the place to go for Chinese food and great shopping. Nearby you'll also find the [Verizon Center](#), which hosts college and professional sports action and star-studded concerts year-round, and the [Walter E. Washington Convention Center](#).

About the Smithsonian Institution

Collectively called the Smithsonian Institution, the world-renowned museum and research complex consists of 15 separate museums and the [National Zoo](#) in Washington, DC. From the origins of man at the [Natural History Museum](#) to the future of space travel at the [Air and Space Mu-](#)

[seum](#), the museums of the Smithsonian cover an array of fascinating areas of study.

The Smithsonian Institution is sometimes referred to as America's treasure chest because of the diverse artifacts it houses. Whether you're interested in American history or Asian art, giant pandas or stamp collecting, there's a Smithsonian museum for you. By attendance, the most popular Smithsonian museums are



the [Air and Space Museum](#), [Natural History Museum](#), [American History Museum](#) and the [National Zoo](#). First-time visitors tend to seek these out, but we recommend reading a bit about each museum and visiting those which interest you. With 15, it's virtually impossible see them all in one visit, but planning to see three or four during a weeklong vacation would be a realistic goal.



DC REUNION FACTS

Washington D.C. is a unique destination. Here are some particulars to help make navigating the city as safe and convenient as possible. Travel in groups of 4 or more when away from hotel. We are in a very upscale neighborhood, but it's always better to be safe.

PLEASE shipmates take along an ID to prove you are a veteran. Red separation card, VA Identification, Retiree ID, something to identify you as a veteran.

We have an opportunity to receive ½ fares on the metro, but it will take some planning to obtain a “senior smartcard” {over 65}. These are sold only at specific locations. One of those is close to the hotel. Unfortunately it is open only 7 to 7 weekdays. For those of us arriving on the 28th or anyone who can go on the 29th after we return, go to Crystal City Commuter Store located down the street from the hotel side entrance. It is inside the Crystal City shops near the Metro station. Crystal city shops are a large multi store and restaurant complex less than a block from our hotel.

You will be asked to fill out a short form, show proof of age and pay 2.00 for the card. Add 10.00 which will net about 7 stops, depending on destination. Rides will cost approximately 85 cents as opposed to 1.65 full fare.

ARLINGTON CEMETERY



Saturday is free time after the meeting until 6 pm. for us to travel the City at our discretion. Friday morning we will visit Arlington Cemetery. We should arrive approximately 9:30 a.m. We will have group tickets purchased prior to our visit. Timing is an issue here BC the changing of the guard is only on the hour during the fall. As we ride the Cemetery busses to tour, we'll be separated. Most of us will want to see the changing of the guard and Kennedy graves. Everyone needs to ride an Arlington bus from your stops. They come by every 20 minutes. Please adjust your time so that we all arrive back at welcome center by 11:45. We shall have 2 ½ hours to make a tour of approximately 1 hour. There is ample time to get on and off busses at your own pace. See all you wish but keep the time in mind.

Please read the D.C. information in your welcome bag Thursday evening prior to departure on Friday morning. There may be changes on the itinerary.

Bring the Ft. Walton Beach information with you on Saturday morning for the meeting at 9:00 a.m. We will be discussing 2016 during the annual meeting.

Many Thanks Ben

SILENT AUCTION

Please keep in mind our silent auction when shopping before the reunion. We are looking for anything you think a family member would like to take home. However, books did not sell that well last year. The auction is our largest money maker and helps offset the price of future reunions. Besides, it is a lot of fun!!!

BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

Jean Loof, Harold Dyer, Mary Herren, Butch Faught, Bob Gentry, Paul Edwards, Jane Garner, Pat Ormandy

OCTOBER

Dennis Loof, Bobby Mignery, Cheryl Nickles, Shelly Tyler, Lexie Amorson, Carol Ann Coward, Ronald Bartovic, Mary Ann Foust

NOVEMBER

Doris Boreman, Judy Dyer, John Nichols, Kathleen Davenport, Judy Letourreau, Debra Scarbough, Roger Garner, Judith Shed

ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER

George & Raelynn Elasco, Bob & Wendy Morris, Romeo & Thelma Donato

OCTOBER

Dino & Lynn Cesarini, Mary & Roger Dereske, Butch & Trudy Faught, Ronald & Henrietta Bartovic

NOVEMBER

Bob & Linda Gaboury, Judy & Rayle Letourreau

SICK BAY

Butch Faught suffered from blood clots and pneumonia following gall bladder surgery
John Nickles has had Gastric Hernia Surgery
Diane Sonfield had knee replacement surgery

DUES

Just a reminder that our yearly dues are \$20.00 and can be sent in with your reunion fees. You can also send them in alone to Ben. That is \$20.00 per crew member not significant others.



Some sea stories should not be told.

Glauner, Daniel

RUSSELLS POINT - Daniel Joseph Glauner I, 71, of Russells Point, passed away Thursday, July 30, 2015 at Mary Rutan Hospital Emergency Department, Bellefontaine, OH.



Dan was born on March 16, 1944 in Springfield, OH, to

the late John. & Virginia Lattimer Glauner. He was also preceded in death by two sisters, Ruthie and Mary Glauner, and a brother-in-law, James Day.

He is survived by two children, Terry (Rick) Beck, of Lewistown, OH and Daniel Joseph Glauner II, of Lakeview, OH, one granddaughter, Brittany (Allen) Hutslar, of Lewistown, two great grandchildren, Lilly and Laney Beck-Hutslar, four siblings, David (Caroline) Glauner, of OH, Mike (Dottie) Glauner, of Belle Center, OH, Robert (Harlan Wilder) Glauner, of Columbus, OH, and Geraldine Day, of Springfield and several nieces and nephews.

Also by his love, Shelly Tyler, her son Paul, granddaughter Jordan and her fiance Jordan and our great grandson Oliver. We are missing him, there is a void in our life now that he filled. We miss you and never replace you Pappaw.

Dan was a Vietnam Veteran having served in the United States Navy on the USS Mills. He retired from the State of Ohio Highway Department and previously worked as an ironworker with Local #290 in Dayton, OH. He was a member of Amvets Post #39 in Lakeview, He enjoyed golfing, traveling and visiting with navy buddies.

Chuck Evans

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of our father, Chuck Evans, who passed away peacefully after a brief stay at West Georgia Hospice in LaGrange, Georgia on July 31, 2015 at the age of 75. He was a loving father, grandfather, friend and teacher. We will greatly miss his companionship, perpetual curiosity and unique sense of humor.

Chuck Evans was an artist whose works, technical innovations, writings and teaching have made lasting contributions to metal smithing and the American Arts. He was introduced to metals through his friend David Pimentel and learned design and the American Arts. He was introduced to metals through his friend David Pimentel and learned design and technique while studying under Hans Christensen and Albert Paley at the School of American Craftsmen, Rochester Institute of Technology, 1969-1972.

After earning his MFA, he taught at Bowling Green State University for six years before moving to Iowa in 1978 to open the metals program at Iowa State University's College of Design, where he was Professor of Jewelry and Metals from 1978 through 2001. His artwork spanned 30+ years and has been shown in 200+ exhibitions in the U.S. and abroad. He authored the textbook *Jewelry; Contemporary Design and Technique*, 1983, Davis Publications and contributed with great detail and unflinching candor to many books and professional publications over the course of his life.

A true purist, Chuck held individual expression above all and shunned labels with great vigor. Some of the noted artists with whom he interacted included Heikke Seppa, Philip Fike, John Marshall, Fred Fenster, Ronald Pearson, Richard Thomas, Eleanor Moty, Alma Eikerman, Dominick Labino, Wendell Castle, Peter Voulkos, Frans Wildenhain and Philip Morton.

Serving nearly 10 years in the Navy from 1957-1967 after dropping out of high school, Chuck went through college in part supported by the G.I. Bill. Later in life, he reconnected with many of his shipmates from aboard the U.S.S. Mills and the U.S.S. Greenlet ASR-10 and derived a lot of pleasure from those rekindled friendships. He also dug deep into genealogy to better understand his Smith Island, Maryland ancestry, and he built a 21' wooden boat to carry on his family's boat building and fishing heritage.

Though Chuck had many loves besides his family, his love of teaching and the connection he had with his students brought him great joy.

We are full of gratitude that he was touched by so many students who are teaching today and share some part of him with future generations. Following our father's wishes, he will be interned at sea by the U.S. Navy with full honors. A private gathering to remember him and his work is being planned for family and friends. In lieu of flowers, we request that donations be made to Penland School of Crafts whose mis-

sion is to support individual and artistic growth through craft. Chuck Evans is survived by his children, Sherrill Evans (Lary) Mahoney, of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida; his son, Eric (Jennifer) Evans of Niskayuna, NY; his sisters, Sherrill (Cecil) Wilkins of Cary, NC and Sallie (RJ) Warren of Garner, NC; and three grandchildren, Sarah, Jack and Owen. Sarah will begin her college studies at R.I.T. this fall.

Jean Elaine Ludwig Fox



Jean Elaine Ludwig Fox 81, a loving mother, grandmother and beloved friend to many, went to be with her Lord and Savior, while surrounded by her family, on Friday,

July 24, 2015.

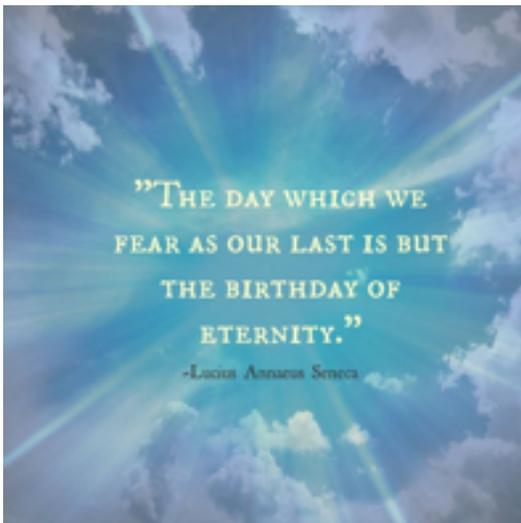
Born March 20, 1934 in Bradford, she was a daughter of the late Marion Ellsworth and Florence Adelaide Confer Ludwig.

Mrs. Fox was a 1952 graduate of Smethport High School and a 1955 graduate of the Bradford Hospital School of Nursing. She was employed by the Bradford Hospital, Bradford Nursing Pavilion, McKean County Visiting Nurses Association where she served as Director.

Jean was a Girl Scout Leader, a hospice volunteer, a volunteer for the Friendship Table, served on the Board of Directors as Secretary and Treasurer of the Allegheny Forest Ministries in Marshburg, and a member of the Lafayette Township Action Committee.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church for over 50 years where she taught Sunday School and served as Deacon.

Surviving are four daughters, Robin Christine Pressler (Dale) Campbell, Pamela Sue Monroe (Gary) Strock, Tamera Lynn Monroe, Christeanna Monroe (Joe) Cucuzza, two step-children, Karol L. Fox Miles and Gregory P. Fox, one sister Barbara (Norm) Tanner, one brother, James L. (Susan) Ludwig, ten grandchildren, Tanya Lynne Keech, Jennifer Jean (Matt) Reider, Rebecca Erin Strock (Lucian) Avadanei, Stefanie Marie Reitzel (Chris) Dennis, James Benjamin Strock, Aaron Mathew (Kammie) Cucuzza, Clayton Thomas Cucuzza, Michelle Elaine Cucuzza, Lisa Miles (John), Christopher (Jennifer) Rensel, six great grandchildren, Connor, Titus, Lily, Noah, Jacob, Isabella, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, three husband's, Russell William Pressler, Dorr "Ted" Hugh Monroe, Jr., and Arthur Ernest "Mike" Fox, one daughter Elaine Pressler, and one brother Raymond Ludwig.



Master Chief Petty Officer James Hall (USN Ret.)



(Died August 14, 2015)

HALL-Master Chief Petty Officer James Hall (USN Ret.) of Warrenton, SC., entered into rest August 14, 2015 at home with his family. Born Oct. 14, 1922, he

had a full life and lived it always surrounding himself with friends and family. He was preceded in death by his parents, John C. Hall, Sr. and Carrie Bell Whittle Hall; brothers, Johnnie and Henry Hall and a sister, Lois H. Shields. He is survived by two sisters, Mary H. Williams of Stiefeltown, S.C. and Mattie H. Kinney of Aiken, S.C. James had many nieces, nephews, great and great-great nieces and nephews as well. "Unka James" was loved by many. James enlisted in the United States Coast Guard in 1942 and served for the duration of WW II as Chief Mechanic on destroyer escorts. Upon discharge, he joined the Navy Reserve as an instructor and served until he retired in 1980. James enjoyed a full life with a wide variety of activities. He enjoyed canoeing through the swamps of Florida, fishing with numerous friends and family and annual trips to reunions of people he served with on DE383 USS. Mills. He had a passion for knowledge, and an even greater passion for sharing that knowledge with anyone who sought his advice. He was known in the area for being the man to turn to when it came to anything automotive and especially Fords. Engineers from Detroit would come to see him when they couldn't solve a problem. James was

known for having the fastest cars around, and the locals would seek him out to tune and modify their cars. He would always oblige, but never to the point where someone else's car was faster than his. James was well known in the early days of NASCAR for his abilities and skills. One of his proudest achievements is on display in the North Carolina Auto Racing Hall of Fame in Mooresville, NC. A 1959 Ford Thunderbird #64 that he was instrumental in restoring to racing condition. James Arthur Hall was of what has come to be known as "The Greatest Generation". Those who knew him know that he was true to that description. His presence will be missed.

JUST A REMINDER

1. Please notify Ben or I of any address changes. We like to keep the mailing list up to date.
2. Keep in mind the silent auction when shopping before the reunion
3. **Most importantly, bring your military ID if you have one and a picture ID for everyone**
4. Have a great time at the reunion
5. Facebook page USS MILLS DE-DER 383 Family

FOR THE COOKS IN THE FAMILY

this is the best cornbread recipe I have found yet.

- 2/3 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1-2/3 cups 2% milk
- 2-1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup cornmeal
- 4-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoons salt

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Combine eggs and milk. Combine flour, cornmeal, baking powder and salt; add to creamed mixture alternately with egg mixture.
2. pour into greased 13x9 in pan. Bake 22-27 minutes till a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cut into squares and serve warm.



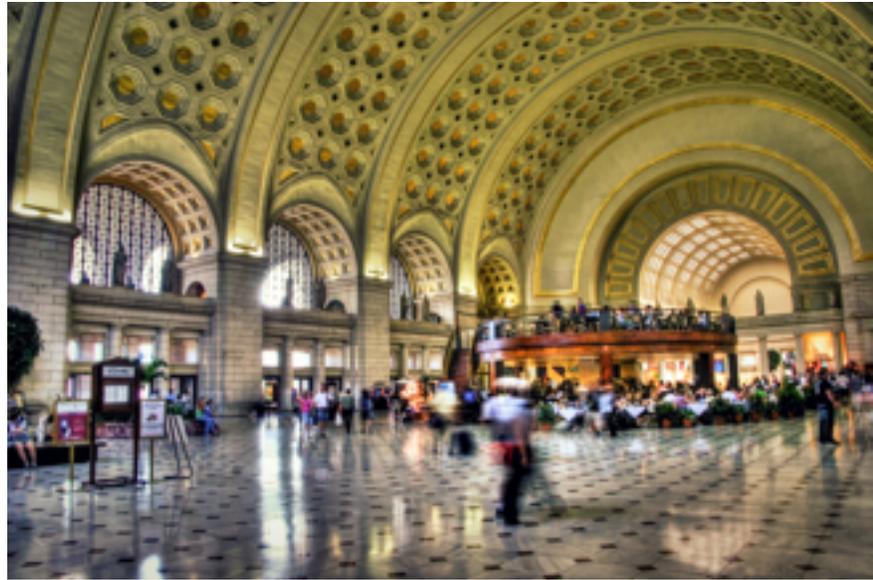
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