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USS Hollister DD-788

2022 Reunion

October 12-15, 2022

Radisson Hotel Branson

Branson, Missouri

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# U.S.S. Hollister DD 788

APRIL 2022 NEWS AND REVIEWS



## THIRTY THIRD USS HOLLISTER REUNION Branson, Missouri

Wednesday, October 12 to  
Saturday, October 15, 2022

Hosts: Dale and Karen Whitlock  
David and Catherine Hall

## Register today for the Reunion and Join the fun.

### 2022 PLAN OF THE DAY

#### Wednesday October 12, 2022

1000 (10:00AM) Registration begins in the hotel atrium  
1000 (10:00 AM) Hospitality room opens  
1400 (2:00 PM) Board Meeting  
1600 (4:00 PM) Welcome to Branson  
2200 (10:00 PM) Hospitality room closes

#### Thursday October 13, 2022

0630 (6:30 AM) Complimentary Breakfast Opens  
0900 (9:00 AM) Hospitality room opens  
1630 (4:30 PM) Hospitality room closes  
1700 (5:00 PM) Board Bus for Dinner at Grand Country Buffet  
and show at Presley's Country Jubilee  
2200 (10:00 PM) Return to the Radisson

#### Friday October 14 2022

0630 (6:30 AM) Complimentary Breakfast Opens  
9000 (9:00 AM) Hospitality room opens  
1030 (10:30 AM) Hospitality room Closes  
1030 (10:30 AM) Board Buss for Lunch, Cruise and Show on the showboat  
Branson Belle, followed by the Memorial Service at Patriot  
Park and a student led tour of the College of the Ozarks  
1700( (5:00 PM) Return to the Radisson  
1730 (5:30 PM) Food in Hospitality Room  
1830 (6:30 PM) Auction in Hospitality Room  
2200 (10:00 PM) Hospitality room closes

#### Saturday October 15, 2022

0630 (6:30 AM) Complimentary Breakfast Opens  
1000 (10:00 AM) Men's meeting  
1000 (10:00 AM) Women's meeting—Guest Speakers—Members of the Presley family  
1030 (10:30 AM) Hospitality room opens  
1630 (4:00 PM) Hospitality room closes  
1800 (6:00 PM) Banquet

## Radisson Hotel Branson



### Reservations:

Radisson Hotel Branson  
120 South Wildwood Dr.  
Branson, MO 65616  
Phone: 417-335-5767

When Calling, ask for the  
USS Hollister Group Rate

### Features and Amenities

- Complimentary hot breakfast
- Rates offered 3 days pre and post reunion
- Hospitality Room
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Complimentary Parking
- \$92.95 + tax per night

**Reservations no later than September  
9, 2022 to insure the reunion rate.**



## **An Historical Note:**

Morris Agnew writes the following: My name is Morris Agnew. I served on the Hollister from 1948 to 1950 as fireman first class. I am writing because the history about the Hollister that I have read has never recorded the explosion that took the lives of shipmates on April 20, 1949. They are:

Max Marcellini Archibeque: GM first class

James Rufus Willams: GM first class

Paul Hilding Pehn: QM third class

Cecil William: Seaman

Max Marcellini Archibeque was a hero 7 years before his death on the Hollister and was awarded a presidential citation.

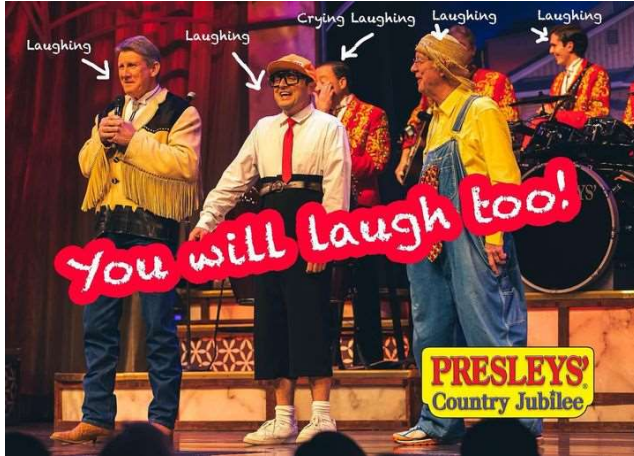
For extraordinary heroism, while serving on board the U.S.S. SAN FRANCISCO, in the action against Japanese naval forces in the Solomon Islands area on November 12 and 13, 1942. After an enemy plane had crashed into the after machine gun platform and started a large fire, ARCHIBEQUE, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, ably assisted in leading a hose to the top of turret III, and although this turret was firing, he effectively fought the fire while facing the terrific blast. During the night action while under heavy and accurate enemy fire he gallantly assisted in leading a hose into the starboard hangar door in the face of terrific blast from turret III then firing to starboard. Largely as result of his heroic action the fire inside the hangar was extinguished with minimum damage. His performance of duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the naval service.

## **Branson Belle :**

The cruises allow guests to relax and unwind while enjoying amazing sight-seeing opportunities along the sparkling Table Rock Lake. As well as offering panoramic views of picturesque scenery, these cruises also feature energetic entertainment that will impress and delight and delicious meals that will make your mouth water.



The attraction was created to bring the good ole days of paddle wheel boats to the Ozarks. Completely modeled after the old ships found in the 1800s, this historic homage is a great way to get out and experience the views of Table Rock Lake. The ship itself is immaculate, comfortable, and provides tons of fun. The Showboat was launched on August 13, 1994, and since then thousands of visitors have taken a ride on this paddlewheel boat. The Showboat itself isn't the only amazing thing about your experience. During a lunch or dinner cruise, guests will be able to enjoy live entertainment and delicious food. Each themed event features a different performance and menu, so no matter what you have a craving for, there is something to suit your style and taste buds.



### Presley's Country Jubilee:

The show is the perfect blend of family entertainment. Laugh along with hilarious jokes and experience the uplifting gospel and bluegrass hits. Each performer is extremely talented, bringing charisma and skill with them.

These skills, and the show itself, have been perfected for more than 50 years as the Presley family gained notoriety and fame in Branson's entertainment scene. Experience one of the most classic and beloved shows in the Ozarks!

**Patriots Park:** Is a place of respect, reflection, and remembrance. It encompasses Veterans Grove, The Global War on Terrorism Memorial, The Korean War Memorial, The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial, The Missouri Gold Star Families Memorial, and the World War II Flag Plaza. Next to Patriots Park is the College of the Ozarks. The college honors those who have served and sacrificed for our country and hopes to educate future generations regarding America's heritage and military history.

### Presidents Note:

I wish that everyone would pay great attention to their health during this period of our lives. We are in uncharted waters. We look forward to seeing everyone in Branson and put COVID behind us.

### Final Muster

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- Wayne La Tondress—Passed November 29, 2021
  - Cdr. Stan Svensen—Passed November 29, 2021
  - William Bond SK2—Passed June 13, 2020
  - Charles H. Hart EtC—Passed November 29, 2010
  - Richard Nelson—Passed February 18, 2021
  - Kenneth Buckmaster QM2—Passed May 29, 2021
  - Aurthur Barnes FN3— Passed October 30,2020
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Hats and shirts are always available for purchase in the Hospitality room. Don't be caught without one!!

