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10<sup>th</sup> Annual Blue Star Reunion  
November 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Operations Order, DTG 10Apr 2016**

**Situation: The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Blue Star Reunion  
09Nov2016 to 13Nov2016  
Charleston, South Carolina**

After two months of research and several days of intense reconnaissance, the Charleston Recon Team issues the following Situational Report:

**LZ** – Holiday Inn, Charleston-Mount Pleasant , SC

**Arrival Date:** Wednesday, November 9, 2016

**Events Being Scheduled:**

Wednesday- Arrival and Registration

Thursday - Group Tours to include the Hunley, the Historical District of Charleston and Ft. Sumter.

Friday – Group Tour of Patriots Point, to include the Vietnam Experience, VIP Tour of The USS Yorktown, Lunch and a presentation on the Medal of Honor Museum which is located aboard the USS Yorktown.

Friday Evening – Banquet and auction/raffle

Saturday – Do Your Own Thing Day (Watch for “Charleston Chit Chat” emails to assist you in your decision making.)

Saturday afternoon/evening – “Rockin Robert Pierce Texas Style BBQ,” at the VFW Post 3137 right on the beach at Isle of Palms, SC.

Sunday – Farewells and Safe Travel

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**LZ – Holiday Inn, Charleston-Mt. Pleasant  
250 Johnnie Dodds Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464**

Phone: 843-884-6000

**Reservation Phone: 877-355-7693**

**Reunion Code: AHC**

**Reunion Room Rate: \$114 plus tax, includes breakfast each morning**

**(Breakfast on Thursday through Sunday will be in our own private dining area).**

Your Recon Team received a warm welcome when we visited this hotel during our area recon. When we entered the lobby, we were greeted by a special display of military flags, and a framed poster welcoming by name the Recon Team with a picture of a 48<sup>th</sup> Joker patch. Someone did their homework. At the bottom of the poster it stated "We would be Honored to Host your 2016 Military Reunion. Thank You for your Service."

The hotel has a TOC on the ground floor for us to use, complimentary on-site parking, business center, fitness room, full service restaurant and lounge, outdoor pool and complimentary wireless internet throughout the hotel. The guest rooms feature coffee maker with coffee, complimentary weekday paper, hair dryer, iron and full-size ironing board.

**To make reservations call 877-355-7693 and use our Group Code, AHC.** Make sure you identify yourself as a member of the 48<sup>th</sup> AHC to receive the group rate of \$114 plus tax. MAKE RESERVATIONS EARLY. Rooms are limited but if we fill them all early enough, they will add more to our group block. Cancellations must be made 24 hours prior to your arrival date to avoid the first night charge.

If a handicapped accessible room is needed, please make sure you let them know your specific needs when you make your reservations.

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If you should have any questions or problems, please contact your Recon rep at 804-966-9843 or 804-310-6180.

Your Charleston RECON TEAM  
Brock Nicholson, Carl Cortez, Ben Gay



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**48<sup>th</sup> AHC REUNION – Charleston 2016**  
**HOLIDAY INN Charleston/ Mount Pleasant, 250 Johnnie Dodds Blvd.**  
**Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464**  
**Reservations call (843-416-3106) Use Event Code “AHC”**

**Nov 9 - Wednesday** – Arrival – Pick up packet, etc. and drop off raffle items in TOC

**Nov 10 - Thursday** – Bus Tour – Charleston’s Historic District and Ft. Sumter

7:00 – 8:30 Breakfast (In the Blue Star Mess Hall) 8:30 begin boarding bus

9:00 – Historic Charleston Coach Tour- Each coach will have a Tour Guide

At Battery, we stop for a brief walk through the park and some photo opportunities of Charleston’s scenic harbor.

11:15AM - Free time in the Old City Market for lunch on your own, shopping and browsing

1:45 PM - Depart for Liberty Square

2:00 PM - Visit Fort Sumter National Monument at Liberty Square

**2:30 PM - FORT SUMTER TOUR (Private Guide)**



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**“Fort Sumter National Monument”**

Enjoy a scenic cruise to Fort Sumter, site of the first shots fired of the Civil War. A private tour guide will walk you through the pages of history at this historic fort. Visit [www.fortsumtourtours.com](http://www.fortsumtourtours.com)

Y'all come!



(Bus will return anyone not taking the Ft. Sumter tour back to hotel)

(If you wish to stay downtown and not take Ft. Sumter tour, meet back at the bus at 4:30 for transportation back to hotel)

4:45 PM - End tour and depart for hotel

5:15 PM - End tour at the Holiday Inn, Mt. Pleasant

Evening – On your own for dinner

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## **Nov 11 - Friday**

6:30 – 8:00 Breakfast served in the Blue Star Mess Hall

7:15 – (at breakfast) Metal of Honor presentation by Kris Harper, Patriots Point

8:30 – depart for Patriot Point (by POV, carpooling will be necessary)

**Patriots Point, VIP tour, lunch - \$5 parking fee per vehicle**

### **Patriot's Point**

"Walking in the Steps of Hero's"

What better place to be on Veteran's Day? After touring the awe inspiring and historical U.S.S. Yorktown, you'll enjoy lunch in the galley. Afterwards, step back into time at The Vietnam Experience, a fitting tribute to our very own Blue Star heroes.

Y'all Plan to Come!!



**Banquet** – Holiday Inn

5:30 – Reception

6:00 – Banquet – Buffet style (see reflector for menu)

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## **Nov 12 – Saturday –**

7:30 – 9:00 Breakfast in the Blue Star Mess Hall

Morning – Free Time

1:00 Rockin Robert's Texas Style BBQ – VFW, Isle of Palms (POV – Carpooling necessary)

3:00 – 5:00 – BBQ Served

### **Rockin' Robert's Texas Style BBQ**

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, VFW Post 3137, Isle of Palms is the place to be for savory Texas Style BBQ. With a 1:00 p.m. arrival time, bring your appetite and good cheer.

Chowtime is from 3:00–5:00 p.m.

Enjoy yourselves at this idyllic beachfront setting!!

Cheers Y'all!

Y'all come!



8:00 p.m. – Back to Holiday Inn TOC for Auction/Raffle

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**Nov 13 - Sunday** – Farewells

7:30 – 9:00 Breakfast served in the Blue Star Mess Hall

**REMINDERS: BRING AUCTION ITEMS**

To receive reunion updates and detailed info, please email [Joker73bg@cox.net](mailto:Joker73bg@cox.net) and ask to be added to the Reunion email group.

**MORNING REPORT**

**DATED October 9, 2016**

Last Name	First	Spouse/Guest	Dates w/ 48 <sup>th</sup>	Reg. #	Gold Star
Aleman	Jesse	Berta	Friend	79	Ricardo M Garcia
Amanzio	Tony	Ginny	Nov 70 – May 71	65	
Andrews	David	Nancy	Dec 66 – Dec 67	7	
Bagley	Kevin		Dec 66 – May 67	41	
Bayless	Chuck	Diane	Jan 67 – June 67	62	
Borbee	Ernie		Apr 69 – Oct 70	37	
Brooks	Richard	Janice	Fe 69 – Feb 70	28	
Bunting	Bob	Allison Niketas	Oct 70 – Mar 71	74	
Burnsed	Burnie	Barbara	Jan 69 – Jan 70	38	
Carney	Jack	Dale	July 70 – July 71	57	





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Chlapowski	Jack		Mar 67 – Mar 68	64	
Cole	Tom	Susan	Nov 70 – Nov 71	19	
Coleman	Pat	Patrick Coleman, III	Oct 70 – Jun 71	8	
Coleman	Ann	David Raynes	Guest – Coleman	51	
Copper	Brian	Judy	Guests – Cole	40	
Cortez	Carl	Cindy	Oct 68 – July 70	67	
Cress	Duane	Carol Kling	July 65 – Sept 66	80	
Dize	Jesse	Sheila	Apr 70 – Apr 71	2	
Elmore	Don	Sandy	Aug 70 – Aug 71	22	
Ewing	Pat		May 69 – May 70	82	
Fain	Dan		Jan 71 – Dec 71	59	
Falco	Art	Anita	Dec 66 – May 68	18	
Farrell	George	Judy	Feb 70 – Dec 70	63	
Foster	Jim	Marion	Sept 67 – Sept 68	50	
Garcia	Gilbert	Debra		68	Ricardo M Garcia
Gay	Ben	Janet	Apr 69 – July 70	45	
Hammond	Ted	Susan	Dec 66 – May 67	75	
Henderson	Ron	Barbara	Guest – Skimbo	30	
Hoenig	Larry	Kathy	Apr 69 – Nov 70	5	
Hoffman	John	Renee	Apr 72 – Aug 72	13	
Horne	Jack	Judy	Aug 65 – Nov 66	17	
Inglis	Robert	Helen	Aug 65 – Nov 66	43	
Jackson	J J		Oct 68 – Oct 69	21	



Kearns	Michael	Jill	1966 – 1967	20	
Kerr	Tom	Kathy	Jan 67 – Jan 68	14	
Kestner	Ted	Sandy May & Chris Kestner	Nov 69 – Nov 70	69	
Kochanski	Joe	Carol	Sept 65 – Nov 66	11	
Leeper	Sherry			84	Wallace Leeper
Lester	Robert		Dec 68 – Nov 69	36	
Lester	Rick	Jane	Feb 70 – Feb 71	39	
Lewis	Darrell	Peg	Aug 68 – Apr 70	44	
McFarland	Ronald	Cathy	Oct 68 – Oct 69	77	
McGraw	Robert	Carole	May 67 – May 68	42	
Moorman	Gary	Cole Moorman	Dec 68 – Dec 69	9	
Murray	Charles	Sandra	Kochanski Friends	16	
Nevin	Mike	Candy	Nov 68 – Oct 69	32	
Newton	Ed	Dot	Sept 70 – Sept 71	3	
Nichols	Charles		Feb 71 – Aug 71	70	
Nicholson	Brock	Colleen, Leah Vasquez & Alicia Vasquez	April 69 – April 70	78	
Ossmann	Paul	Joyce	Nov 70 – Nov 71	4	
Parker	Steve	Nancy	Apr 69 - Apr 70	24	
Petersen	Todd	Michelle	Mar 69 – Nov 70	73	
Phillips	Jim	Lea Chikury	Sept 70 – Sept 71	47	



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Pierce	Robert	Sharon	Mar 69 0 Jan 71	1	
Piuma	Tom	Regina	Jan 69 – Aug 70	29	
Ponds	Gary	Donna	Sept 70 – Sept 71	12	
Popa	Nick			71	(Nestor Popa)
Popa Pence	Sonda	Phil Pence	July 69 – July 70	55	(Nestor Popa)
Pritchett	Bobby	Janet	July 65 – Nov 66	72	
Rankin	Jim	Lesley Cushman	Nov 68 – Aug 69	31	
Reno	David	Barbara	Aug 69 – Aug 70	35	
Rider	Ken	Brenda	Aug 69 – Aug 70	58	
Rieker	Paul		Jan 67 – Jan 68	61	
Roper	Ken	Nancy	Mar 66 – Oct 66	33	
Roper	Lee	(& daughter)	Guest-Ken Roper		
Scheider	Bill	Dell	Dec 68 – May 69	48	
Schuette	Dan	Sandy	Jan 69 – Aug 69	15	
Seever	Ray	Sue	Apr 69 – Nov 70	52	
Seigart	Gregg	Janice	Jan 68 – Dec 68	25	
Shadoan	Robert	Susan	Feb 72 – July 72	34	
Simmelink	Jerry	Barb	Sept 68 - Dec 69	76	
Skimbo	John-Al	Joan	Apr 67 – Feb 68	30	
Starr	Jim	Mary	Sept 68 – Sept 69	85	
Stewart	Ron	Nancy	Oct 68 – Oct 69	10	
Sweeney	Carey	Susan	June 69 – June 70	27	
Sword	David		Oct 66 – Oct 67	81	



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Terrell	Doug	Madge	Feb 70 – Aug 70	56	
Tinkham	Chuck	Terri	April 67 – May 68	82	
Tuttle	Charlie	Judy	Oct 70 – Feb 72	23	
Walton	Chuck	Peggy	Jan 70 – May 70	2b	
Ward	Pete	Pam	Aug 70 – Aug 71	60	
White	Keith	Cindy	June 70 – June 71	66	
Whitecoe	John		June 66 – June 67	54	
Wilson	Dennis	Lynn	Aug 74 – May 77	53	
Wilson	Larry		Oct 71 – Sept 72	83	