



## The 307th Bombardment Group (HV) Association, Inc. The Long Rangers

#### Hello everyone

#### IMPORTANT REUNION NEWS REMINDER

We are now 3 days away from our reunion. Please see the important information below:

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT EVERY PERSON HAVE 2(TWO) FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION. (PASSPORT, DRIVERS LICENSE, GUN PERMIT, BIRTH CERTIFICATE ETC.)

WE WILL BE UNSPONSORED ON POST.

Here are the Visitors Gate directions again to remind your invitees of the process:

Firstly, the link:

# Expedited Visitor Access Service: FORT BELVOIR (army.mil) and now the text so you can copy and paste:

REMEMBER—YOUR GUESTS MUST HAVE 2 FORMS OF ID IF THEY DO NOT HAVE A RETIREE OR OTHER CAC CREDENTIAL. Children need a birth certificate.

#### EXPEDITED VISITOR ACCESS SERVICE

To receive expedited Visitor Access Service, please complete one of the two application forms listed below: Sponsored or Unsponsored. This will minimize your wait time when in the Visitor Center. Visitors who decide to complete an application on arrival will expect longer wait times, between 5-15 minutes.

There are two types of passes: **Unsponsored and Sponsored:** 

Unsponsored passes are for 90 days and can be renewed. This pass is valid through Tulley or Lieber Gate.





PRESIDENT'S CORNER

#### DO NOT MISS THIS EVENT

We trust you all had a wonderful 4th of July holiday and celebrated the independence of our country. We certainly appreciate all of the HERO's that gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country. Our brothers and sisters in arms will always be remembered.

With this being said, we are proud to announce that we will have an opportunity to watch the showing of a fantastic movie

#### TO WHAT REMAINS

"To What Remains" is a stirring, feature-length documentary that follows Project Recover's search for the more than 80,000 Americans missing in action since World War II.

Meet the MIAs and their families. Their service and enduring sacrifice are the motivation behind every mission.

Get to know Lt. R. R. Houle, the pilot of a TBM Avenger, and his great-nephew, Doug Berglund. Lt. Houle was Ensign George H. W. Bush's commanding officer and good friend. George Bush always hoped he'd be able to help bring his friend home.

Catch the smile of ARM3c Walter Mintus, the radioman for Lt. Houle. His nephews, now in their 80's still remember their "Uncle Bert" with love and affection.

Meet SSgt. Jimmie Doyle and his son, Tommy, who dove on Dad's crash site more than six decades later.

Jimmie Doyle flew with the 307th Bombardment Group and was recovered, and laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery right here in the Washington D.C. area.

We will be showing this movie event upon the return of the group from the monument tours on Friday August 19th, 2022. The movie will start at approximately 1:30 pm. Your lunch box will be waiting for you back at the hotel if you ordered one and we will have more snacks available for those who did not get a box lunch.

This event is open to everyone. We would like to have anyone attending outside of the 307th group to contact me directly with an email or phone call so I can keep track of them attending.

Thank you to Project Recover and Imperative Entertainment for making this event possible.

Together, we are #KeepingAmericasPromise.

Sincerely

Jim Walsh - MBA
President
307th Bombardment Group Association

I would like to introduce one of the most beautiful young ladies that I know. Her mom is Dottie McGill whose father was on the Arnett Crew that was recovered.

I wanted to congratulate this young lady on her magnificent accomplishments. She has been working toward earning these medals for years and has done an excellent job of chasing her passion. We at the 307th Bombardment Group Association want to let Ashley know how proud we are to know her and have her in the championship circle where she truly belongs.

#### **CONGRADULATIONS ASHLEY**



### The Champion!! USA Special Olympics Games Orlando Florida June 2022

We thank you so very much for your support of Ashley and her Team Florida Swimming! Ashley won the Silver Medal for 50 Backstroke and Fifth Place Gold Ribbon for 50 Freestyle!! Our Florida athletes competed well. There were 12 swimmers for Florida and each swimmer won at least one medal!

We cannot thank Special Olympics Florida and the Walt Disney Company enough for the detailed planning and hospitality in every aspect of the Games. From cool-looking uniforms and equipment to theme park entertainment to food to tons of bling to bring home to incredible Opening and Closing Ceremonies, the planners ensured that each athlete was treated to a successful and joyful experience. We thank you for being a part of this wonderful opportunity for Ashley!!!



