

YANCEY MEMORIES

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Wishing you all a great Holiday Season. I hope you enjoy the reunion recap and pictures. The 2019 reunion will be in Buffalo / Niagara Falls, New York in September. It's never to early to start making plans to join us.

George

The 2018 Yancey Reunion

As always Thursday, after everyone registered and caught up with old friends in the hospitality rooms, the reunion officially kicked off with a buffet dinner. After which the partying continued back in the hospitality rooms.

Friday morning we began with a bus tour of Fort Worth followed by a trip to the Fort Worth Stock-yards for the longhorn cattle drive down Main Street. This is a daily event that lasts about 30 minutes. However unbeknownst to us, or the tour planners, this day included a once a year event, the Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering. This included two cattle drives and a Chuck Wagon Parade and Camp. After the parade and watching the wagons set up camp we explored the stockyard area and had lunch. We were able to walk through the wagon camp. It's amazing how much they can put in those wagons. Several of us were lucky enough to be welcomed by one wagon group and even shared a shot of whiskey with them. It was a very enjoyable day. On the way back to the hotel we made a quick stop and tour of the Fort Worth Bureau of Printing and Engraving. Half of the Nation's currency is printed at Fort Worth. Unfortunately no free samples.

Saturday started with a Dallas City tour which included a walking tour of John F. Kennedy memorial at Dealey Plaza, the site of the Kennedy assassination. Afterwards we headed to the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum. The museum contained many videos and items from the Presidents time in office including 911.

2018 Reunion continued

Sunday morning it was back to Dallas and the Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza. The tour was self guided wearing headphones explaining events in the 60's and the assassination. You could see the view from where Lee Harvey Oswald made the fatal shot. On a more uplifting note we next visited Historic Grapevine Texas to have lunch and browse through the various shops and wine tasting rooms. We then headed back to the hotel to prepare for the Memorial Banquet.

Once the individual/couples pictures were taken and the group picture was completed Skip Sander began the evening by welcoming everyone. Next was the Memorial Service followed by a toast by Commander Ed Gaskill. Jimmy Cee led us in giving thanks and dinner was served. After dinner we were entertained by Legacy Road, an award winning Texas barbershop quartet. This officially ended the 2018 reunion with everyone looking forward to the 2019 reunion in Buffalo, New York. Hope you'll plan on joining us next year it's a chance to make some new friends and memories.

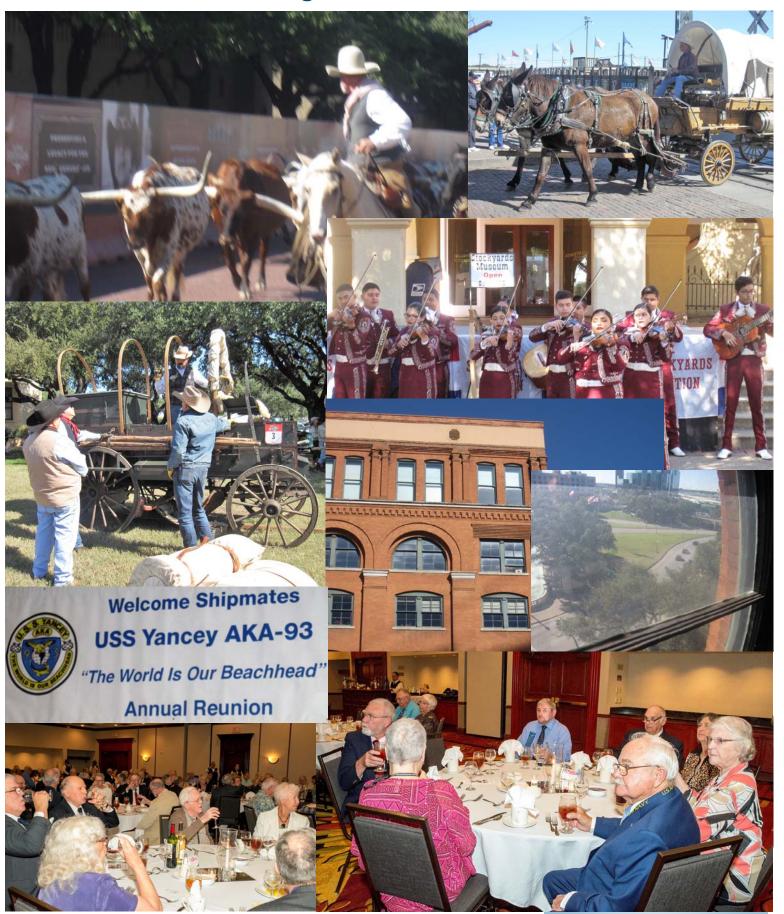


Left to right: Jeff Amundsen, Phil Messer, George Clifton, Paul Dunn, Paul Smith, John Karlis, James Young. Front: Walt Gillespie and Duane Malme.

Welcoming Aboard New Members of Our Group

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Shipmates Who Have Passed

Tony Aguinaga BM3 1961-1964 Deceased 9/20/18

Donald Charron 1946-1947 Deceased 12/19/16

Thomas Constanovic HN 1951 Deceased 2/22/18

Jack Geyer 1950-1951 Deceased 9/22/18 Landon D. Jones Corpsman 1969-1970 Deceased 8/5/2013

Joshua Charles Martin 1952—1956 Deceased 5/5/ 2015

Harold Harris RD3 1946 01047 October 26, 2018