USS LEYTE ~ 2013 REUNION

Orlando Area, FL

October 3rd – October 5th, 2013

Welcome to the Orlando Area

Make the most of your time mixing with your shipmates at the Embassy Suites Orlando-Airport hotel. It is close to activities and attractions. Explore one of central Florida's most popular destinations, the Kennedy Space Center, or tee-off at any of the nearby golf courses. Visit the enchanting world of Walt Disney and any of the Disney parks, including Magic Kingdom® Park, Epcot®, Disney's Animal Kingdom®, and Disney Hollywood Studios®. Discover the Wizarding World of Harry Potter, featuring signature eating establishments, multiple attractions and shopping at Universal Studios®. Explore Sea World which offers thrilling rides and swimming with the dolphins. Other notable attractions include Legoland, Gatorland, Silver Springs, Fun Spot, Wet N Wild and Holy Land Experience. Of importance will be the events planned specially for USS LEYTE Reunion 2013 members. The Hotel is surrounded by restaurants all within walking distance.

Hotel Information

The hotel dates are from Wednesday, October 2nd to Sunday, October 6th 2013. You will be staying at the Embassy Suites Orlando-Airport located at 5835 T.G. Lee Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32822. It is an ideal base for conducting a USS LEYTE reunion and visiting the city's many theme parks. The hotel features 2 room suites, the bedroom features one king size or two double beds, a queen-sized sofa bed, easy chair, work table and a wet bar. TV in both rooms and amenities included.

The room rate is just **$109.00** plus currently 12.5% tax per night based on single or double occupancy. Rate includes full cooked-to-order breakfast, Manager's reception daily, on-site parking and airport transportation. Please make your hotel reservations **NOW** by calling **888-729-8880,** ask for reservations and request the group rate for "**USS LEYTE CV-32 Association Reunion" or by the unique group code "C-USS"**. For those of you who would like to arrive three days early or stay three days later at the same rate based on availability you **must** indicate this when making reservations. You may cancel up until 24 or more hours before arrival at no penalty. Be sure to ask for the USS Leyte Reunion rate to assure you are associated with our group. You may request specific room types when you call to make your reservations (handicap accessible room, etc.). These are on a first come basis. The hotel check-in time is 3:00pm. Please, don't expect to get into your room before then. They will ask you for a deposit or credit card number to guarantee your room reservation. The hotel is holding rooms until they sell out or **August 19th, 2013at 5:00pm**, whichever comes first.

You may use the Personalized Online Group Website to make reservations that includes the group rate which has been approved and published to the web. It is:
http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/M/MCOATES-USS-20131001/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Transportation & Directions

The closest airport is Orlando International Airport which is one mile from the hotel and 8 miles from downtown Orlando. Free shuttle service is available from the Hotel. Retrieve your luggage and call the hotel at 1-888-729-8880 or 407-888-9339. The hotel will provide pick-up information. For departing flights, shuttle leaves every 20 minutes starting on the hour. Specific information will be published in the LEYTE NEWS. For those of you driving to the reunion, the hotel offers plenty of free parking. The hotel is conveniently located off Interstates 95 and 4, Beach Line Expressway/ SR-528 exit Semoran Blvd/SR-436 to T.G. Lee Blvd. Again detailed directions will be in the August Newsletter.

Travel safely and we will …. See you in Orlando