USS Underhill (DE 682) 74th Reunion 2019

Welcome to the USS Underhill (DE 682) 2019 reunion.

- 1. The USS Underhill (DE 682) Memorial Service honoring US Navy sailors KIA 24 Jul 45 will be at the US Naval Academy in the Main Chapel on 24 July 2019. It will start promptly at 1445, conclude at 1500 with the bugler playing Taps after the names of those KIA are read. Parking, including handicapped parking, is in front of the chapel. Please arrive early to give yourself the time you need, especially if you have any special needs.
- 2. <u>Dinner</u> will follow the Memorial Service. The restaurant is only three blocks from the Maryland Avenue gate at the Naval Academy. That is the gate nearest to the chapel. We will order off the menu and pay individually.

Galway Bay Irish Restaurant 63 Maryland Avenue Annapolis, MD 21401

Telephone Number: (410) 263-8333 Website: www.galwaybaymd.com

- 3. Individuals need to personally make their own <u>hotel</u> reservations at a hotel of their choice. There are many choices of hotels in the Annapolis area, including the Best Western, Doubletree, Holiday Inn Express, Hampton Inn, Marriott, etc.
- 4. Please RSVP to me if you plan to come to the Memorial service and the dinner, so I can get a head count. If you are driving on the Academy grounds, please give me the driver's name and cell phone number; I must provide that to the Academy. Everyone must have photo ID with them.

It has been my honor and pleasure to run the reunion for so many years. It is with sadness that I inform you that this is the last year for the formal ceremony, due to the low number of survivors, illness, advanced age, and death. Usually one survivor is able to come since he lives in the local area. Participation has dramatically decreased.

God Bless the United States of America, our beloved President, and our United States military.

Always remember and pray for those brave USS Underhill sailors KIA 24 Jul 45.

Best Regards,

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