

Reunion Committee Welcome Letter

Hello USNA 1971 Classmates, Spouses, Widows, Families, and Friends!

Welcome to your reunion website. We truly hope you can make it to Annapolis to celebrate our 50th! Events are planned from Thursday, September 30th through Monday, October 4th, 2021.
Start your engines . . . let the 50th Reunion Registration begin!

America is waking up. People are excited to get outside, visit with family and friends, eat indoors at favorite restaurants, go to a ball game, renew social activities, and travel. Most of all, more than 500 members of the U.S. Naval Academy Class of 1971 plus their guests are excitedly preparing to celebrate their 50th Reunion. Take the plunge and join us in Annapolis, Maryland!

Reunion committee members have been planning for your 50th since we met in San Diego in 2018 and Annapolis in 2016 . . . now it's up to you to complete your plans. We know many of you are getting prepared to get underway, because you've purchased more than 800 football tickets in our class seating section. This is an incredibly strong indication that '71 is committed and ready to renew old friendships and begin celebrating our 50+ years together. Additionally, the Class survey conducted this April showed that 538 Classmates intended to attend the 50th. 78% of those who responded to the survey said "Yes". Other survey data showed about 1,000 total attendees; 700 for Thursday's Reception, 700 for Friday's Supt's Address & Parade, 1,000 for Saturday's Tailgate, 800 for Sunday's Memorial Service & Class Dinner, and 450 for Monday's Breakfast. That was during April, before travel and other restrictions really began to ease!

We urge you not to hesitate . . . continue your planning by registering to attend our 50th Reunion. It's an easy and proven process, similar to that used for the 47.5th reunion. You basically have two sign-up options. Both will get you to the right place. By-the-way, 50th pricing for all events for a Classmate and Guest (\$746) is slightly less than the all-in 45th Package (\$750), a bit above 40th (\$727). Comparison includes cost for 2 football tickets, 45th '71 jerseys, and Registration Fees. Single comparisons are \$379, \$400, and \$384.

Option 1: Our recommendation is you visit each of the tabs under "50th Reunion Information" to read details about individual events and activities, then go to the "How to Register" tab on the left side of this page to start the process.

Option 2: If you are *so excited* that you don't want to read details now, go straight to the "How to Register" tab on the left side of this page to start the process. [hint - read details later so you don't miss anything.]

We want you to feel great about traveling to Annapolis to celebrate our 50th Reunion!
Rest assured that we continue to work hard to plan and execute a celebration worth remembering!

We'll see you on or about September 30, 2021! Beat UCF on October 2, 2021!

Your 50th Reunion Committee,

*Bob & Jona Capra
Dave & Patty Miller
Jane Wilhelm (Skip)*

*Walt & Judy Havenstein
Cass & Karen Young*

*Jim & Kathi Hergenroeder
Bob & Meg Wagoner
Phil & Ann Williams*

Committee Member Responsibilities:

Bob & Jona Capra	Registration, Saturday Tailgate & Football Tickets, Photography, Website Information, Committee Minutes & Records
Walt & Judy Havenstein	Sunday Class Dinner, Selection & Vendor coordination of memorabilia gifts for individual Classmate purchase
Jim & Kathi Hergenroeder	Chairman, Schedule, Communications, Budgeting, Pricing, Registration
Dave & Patty Miller	Friday Golf Match, Sunday Memorial Services, Check-in, Menus
Bob & Meg Wagoner	Transportation, Apparel selection, Sunday Class Dinner, Photography
Phil & Ann Williams	Class & 50th Website
Jane Wilhelm (Skip)	Thursday Welcome Aboard Party, Monday Brunch
Cass & Karen Young	Hotels, Check-in, Thursday Welcome Aboard Party, Monday Brunch, Apparel selection & Vendor coordination

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