


# USS Canberra

*Prora et puppis pro Canberra*  
CA-70 / CAG-2

## Members of the Crew



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**2017 USS CANBERRA Reunion Information  
Deerfield, IL 9-13 October 2019**

**Reunion Dates:** Our Reunion dates are Wednesday, October 9th through Sunday, October 13th.

The cutoff for hotel reservations and for Armed Forces Reunions is **September 12, 2019**.

We're sorry, but we cannot have any cushion to accommodate procrastinators.

**The Hotel Contract and our Contract with Armed Forces Reunions both state that reservations must be in their hands by the above listed date to be able to guarantee your spot.**

As in the past, tour reservations may be limited to a first come, first served basis. Please remember, we have a liberal cancellation policy. So take part in as many or as few of our tours as you want, but reserve early and cancel out at a later date if you find you cannot make the reunion.

**For Reunion First Timers**

It won't take you long to figure out that the place to be at the reunion is the USS Canberra Hospitality Room, located in the hotel's LeClair Room.

Early October is usually a beautiful time in the Chicago area where temperatures average in the mid 60s during the day and the low 50s at night.

You may want to bring along a light/medium jacket. The daily dress code is casual. It is also casual for all of our tours.

Some of our tours require some walking, so bring a good pair of walking shoes.

Saturday night is our more formal banquet dinner. A suit, sport coat and tie or simply a nice shirt and pants are fine.

The ladies know what is right for them, they always look good anyway, it's the guys who may need to be told what to wear, so listen to your lady.

**Commemorative Hats & Mugs**

This year's ball hats and coffee mugs are in the process of being manufactured. They will both be delivered to the hotel in Deerfield.

A free coffee mug will be given for each registration.

As in past years, ball caps will be given to those shipmates that purchase tickets for the Raffle Table at the reunion. This years ball caps will again come in Navy Blue, Scarlet and Summer White.

Additional hats and mugs will be available for sale at and following the reunion.

If you do not plan to be at this years reunion, you can contact Ken to reserve your cap and mug for delivery after the reunion. They will ship sometime from late October to early November.

The price of hats will be \$20 each including postage, the price of mugs will be \$18 each including postage, if ordered separately. The cost of one cup and one hat, including Priority Mail postage is \$32.00 if ordered at the same time.

**Write, e-mail or phone Ken for multiple order prices.**

**\*\*\*Reunion Registration Forms\*\*\***

If you need a replacement Reunion Registration Form, contact Ken. Those with computers can register on-line at: [www.afr-reg.com/canberra2019](http://www.afr-reg.com/canberra2019)

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# The Unknown Soldiers

The Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is working with the federal government on the national commemoration for the Centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in 2021

They currently are planning on symposiums in Washington DC the week of November 8-11, 2021 that will cover various historical and educational topics and two of these have direct impact on our organization.

They have been researching the history of the naval involvement in the transportation and ceremonies surrounding the World War I Unknown Soldier (1921), World War II and Korean War Unknown Soldiers (1958), and the Vietnam Unknown Soldier (1984) and have found these historical records wanting.

The personal crew stories and history that took place aboard ship are vital to the story of the Unknown Soldiers and only Navy/Marine Corps shipmates can help highlight and tell this uniquely American story. As Tomb Guards they understand the Guard history, but the naval involvement is one area that has always remained in the shadows.

They are seeking our help and guidance in reaching out to veteran or official networks to gather information on the involved ships (but not exclusive to), crews, officials, and USMC detachments:

As stated above, the Guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier are looking for information about our involvement in the selection of the WW2 and Korean War Unknown Soldiers.

If you were there and have any information you would like to share with them, contact me and I'll put you in contact with them.

They are looking for log books, photos, diary's, personal remembrances and anything else to help fill out the story of our involvement.

## USS Canberra 2019 Reunion Site

HYATT REGENCY DEERFIELD-CHICAGO, IL  
1750 Lake Cook Rd, Deerfield, IL 60015  
(877) 803-7534

### Directions To The Hotel

#### Directions to Hotel from I-94 Southbound:

Take I-94 heading South to the Lake Cook Road exit (one ramp, lighted intersection exit). Turn left on to Lake Cook Road heading East. Turn left on to Wilmot Road (second traffic light after you exit tollway). First driveway on the left side of street will be the entrance to the Hyatt Regency Deerfield. (This route has several tolls)

#### Directions to Hotel from I-294 Northbound:

Take I-294 heading North to the Lake Cook Road exit (one ramp, lighted intersection). Turn right on to Lake Cook Road. At Wilmot Road (first lighted intersection after exit) turn left. The first driveway on the left side of street will be the entrance to the Hyatt Regency Deerfield. (This route has several tolls)

#### Directions to Hotel from Midway Airport:

Take Cicero Avenue to I-55 South (Stevenson Expressway) to I-294 North. Exit I-294 North at Lake Cook Road exit (one ramp, lighted intersection). Turn right on to Lake Cook Road. At Wilmot Road (first lighted intersection after exit) turn left. The first driveway on the left side of street will be the entrance to the Hyatt Regency Deerfield. (This route has several tolls)

### Parking and Shuttle Information

The Hyatt Regency Deerfield offers complimentary parking. The hotel **DOES NOT** provide shuttle service to or from Chicago Midway International Airport or Chicago OHare International Airport. Go Airport Express offers shuttle service to and from Midway and OHare Airports from 6am - 11:30pm, with departures approximately every 15 minutes. To check availability and pricing, please contact Go Airport Express at 888-284-3826 or visit [www.airportexpress.com](http://www.airportexpress.com). There are also a variety of taxis available at the airports as well.

### Rental Wheelchairs

ScotAround rents both manual and power wheelchairs by the day and week. Please call (888) 441-7575 or visit [www.scotaround.com](http://www.scotaround.com) for more information or to make reservations.

# The Supreme Commander

## Supreme Commander List Information

Following are names of **USS Canberra Shipmates** that have met the **Supreme Commander**.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div</u>	<u>Aboard</u>	<u>Died</u>
Doyle, Robert	CA-70	CS/4th	43-46	2019
Rohrman, Lewis E. (Ed)	CA-70	S	43-45	2019
Satkowiak, Gerald	CAG-2			2003
Barnhardt, William J.	CAG-2		60-62	2009
Bindrim, William	CAG-2			2009
Leverone, John J.	CAG-2			2009
Nagel, Ronald D.	CAG-2			2009
Cardia, Anthony C.	CAG-2			2010
McAleney, Michael T.	CAG-2			2015
Henry, William H.	CA-70	OR	68-70	2018
Marvin, Donald	CAG-2	X	57-60	2018
Burr, George W., Jr.	CAG-2			2019
Eskesen, Daniel	CAG-2			2019
Hurst, David A.	CAG-2	S	59-62	2019
Lovett, Donald L.	CAG-2			2019
Matheson, Kenneth A.	CAG-2	4 <sup>th</sup>	66-68	2019
McBee, John C.	CAG-2			2019
Travis, Douglas B.	CAG-2			2019

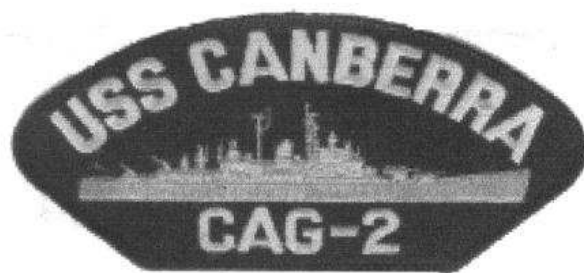
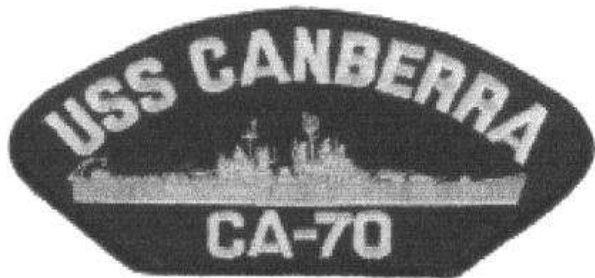
## Found Shipmates

Following are **USS Canberra Shipmates** that were found since the Summer 2019 Newsletter went out.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div</u>	<u>Aboard</u>
Berner, Dwight A.	CAG-2	OI	63-64
Curtis, Michael A.	CAG-2	Gunnery	56-57

## USS Canberra (LCS-30)

The keel laying ceremony for the new USS Canberra (LCS-30) is now scheduled for March of 2020 at the AUSTAL USA facility in Mobile, AL. Our Canberra Crew Members will be invited to it and to the Launching Ceremony which will occur about a year later. Further updates will follow in the Winter Newsletter.



## Ship's Silhouette Hats

We have Ship's Silhouette Hats in stock. The cost for each hat will be \$20.00 including priority mail postage. The hat is available in Navy Blue and Summer White in the CA-70 version. The CAG-2 version hats are available in Navy Blue, Summer White or Scarlet.

If you are interested in purchasing one or more of these hats, you can contact Ken via mail, e-mail or telephone.