



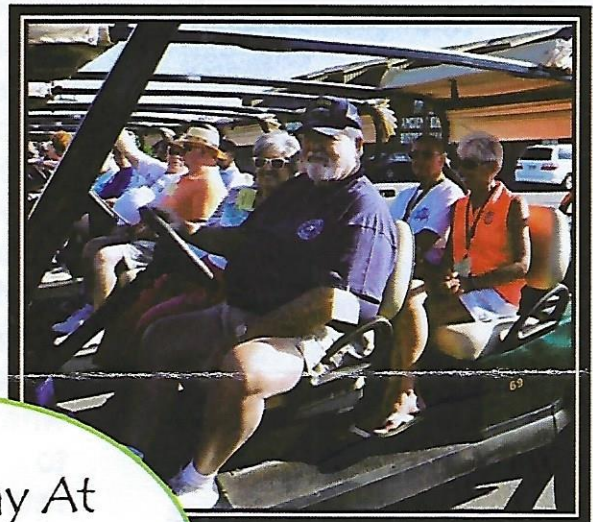
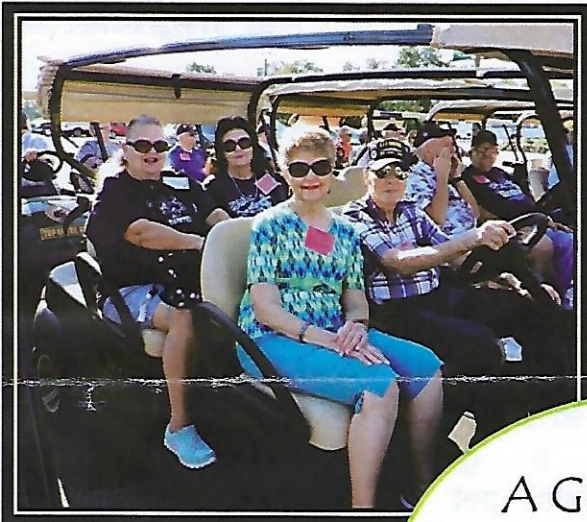
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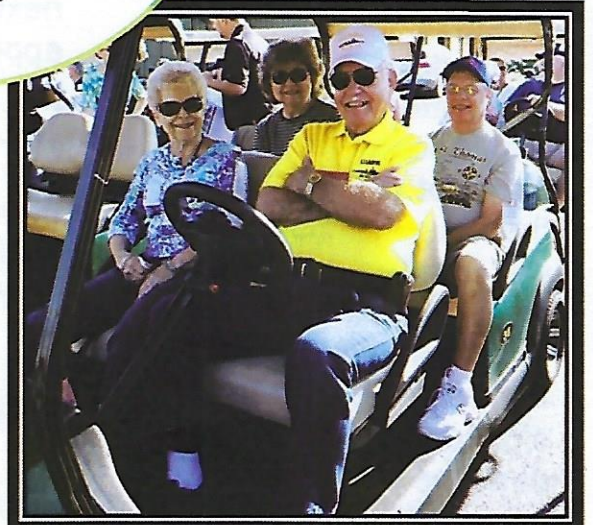
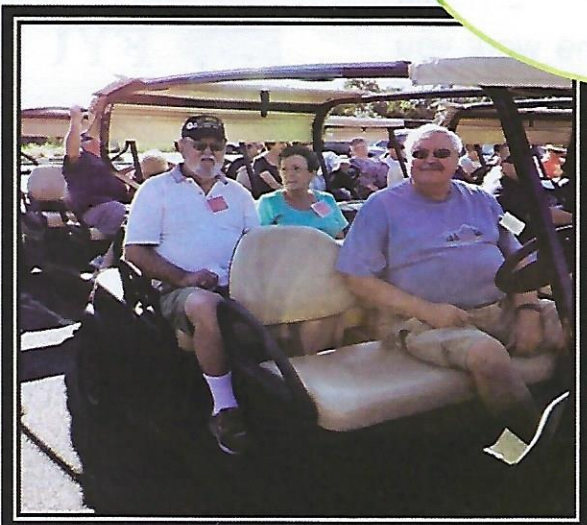
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# President's Editorial

Chuck Parsons

Hi everyone!

We are ready to welcome you to Charleston, WV for the 26<sup>th</sup> reunion! All the tours are finalized, buses are locked in and a delicious southern buffet is on tap for Saturday night. Our DJ will have a karaoke machine available for anybody that feels like wowing the crowd. It's sure to be a great reunion so please make your hotel reservations and return your sign-up sheet as soon as possible. We are considering some changes to the frequency of the newsletter distribution and another newsletter may not go out prior to the reunion. So Kimmy will email and snail mail a reunion sign-up reminder in early July to make sure you get signed up before the deadline on August 19<sup>th</sup>.

The NEW REUNION PROCESS, drafted by Mike Nave, and put in place at the last Business Meeting, has worked great. The Reunion Committee reviewed all the info submitted and their recommendation is **Rapid City, South Dakota for 2018**. Jim Clark, along with Sharon Hammon and Kimmy will be doing what needs to be done to ensure a great reunion if we get a successful vote at the next business meeting. Thanks to all those that made suggestions for next year - we appreciate the work you put into promoting your city.

It won't be too long and we'll all be together again!

30 knots and no smoke...

Your shipmate, Chuck

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**FYI**

A REMINDER to

send in your

REUNION SIGN-UP SHEET

will be sent out

in early July.

# SCUTTLEBUTT



Received a phone call from the Michael Coody, son of **GEORGE S. COODY 42-44 SI** letting us know his Dad passed away on 11/18/2016. A sympathy card was mailed to the family. See TAPS for contact info.

**CARL A. JUSTUS 42-45 GM2** passed away on 01/01/2017. Son Roger emailed to let us know. He has a model of Radford in his home office and said his father's memories and stories gave him a "lifelong feeling for the ship." Carl was at Pearl Harbor and helped tie up the USS Arizona. He then helped in post-attack rescue and recovery. To learn more about this special man, Carl's obituary can be viewed here: [www.rosemortuary.com/obituaries/Carl-Justus/](http://www.rosemortuary.com/obituaries/Carl-Justus/)

Heard from Ed Muir son of **WALTON E. MUIR 44-46 GM3**, letting us know his Dad passed away on 03/24/92. Ed remembers his Dad telling stories of handling the spent 5" casings after firing and also working on a 40mm twin mount. Ed and some of his siblings have pictures of the Radford and possibly some ribbons. See TAPS.

That's all for now.....

Please consider placing a **REUNION AD** in your local paper. Most papers will run it for free and it could catch the eye of former shipmates!



## TAPS...

### 40's

George S. Coody 42-44 SI  
Passed away Nov 11, 2016  
Son Michael Coody  
89 Front Street, North Adams, MA 01247  
413-664-9575 / mcoocoo@verizon.net

Carl Justus 42-45 GM2  
Passed away Jan 01, 2017  
Son Roger Justus  
Rjustus446@gmail.com

Walton E. Muir 44-46 GM3  
Passed away Mar 24, 1992  
Son Ed Muir  
edmuir54@gmail.com

## REST IN PEACE

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For the **2018 Reunion**  
The Reunion Committee has  
decided on  
**RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA**  
which was suggested by  
Jim Clark 68-69 BM3.  
A vote will be taken at the  
next business meeting  
in order to move forward.

THANK YOU to the  
following for the work they  
did on researching their city:

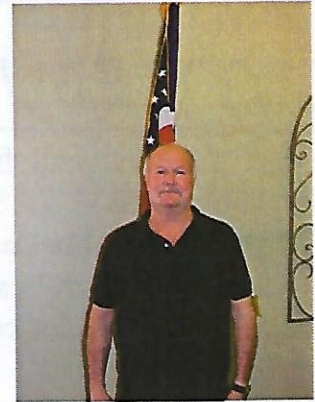
Darlene Hanley – Charleston, SC  
Charlene James – Huntsville, AL  
Joan Maly – Goshen, NY



Jack & Clara Giuliano  
52-56 EM1



Pat & Steve Weigel  
67-68 SM3



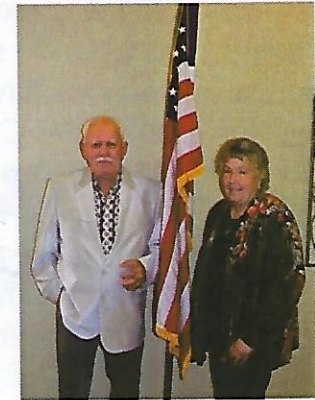
Billy Austin 66-69 QM3



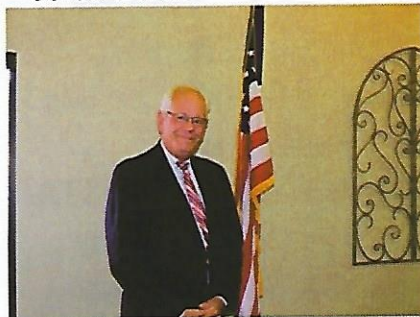
Dorothy & Earl Towery  
58-59 FTA3



Marie & Larry Davis  
64-67 ETC



Don & Wanda Coplin  
51-54 BM1



David Baker 64-66 Ltjg



Fred & Joyce Renken 64-67 BT2



Sharon & Ray Moad 61-65 MM2



Joan & Jerry Maly 51-52 TM2



Charlene & Foy "Jesse" James  
58-60 SHSN



Jerry & Virginia Freeze  
63-65 BT3

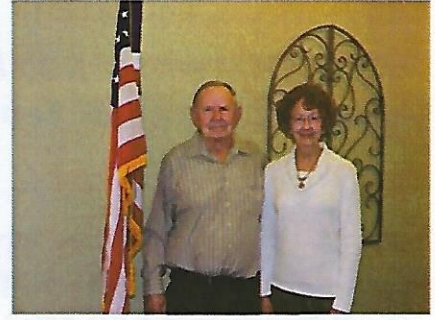
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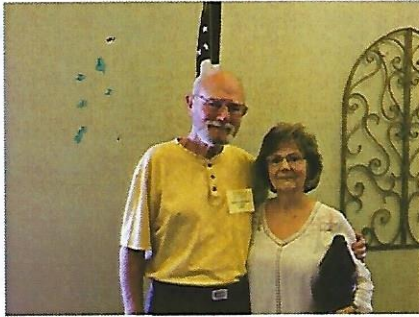
Betty & Ben Brown 62-66 BM3



Arcola Hughes 56-57 SA



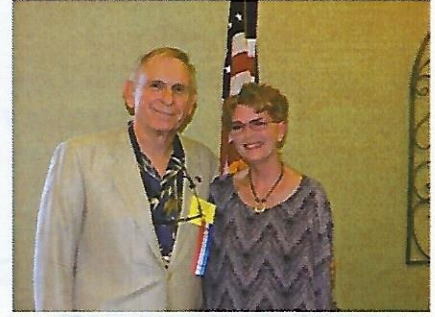
Harold & Donna Jensen  
66-69 BT2



Larry & Sharon Uptegraft  
60-63 MM2



Gayle & Gary Opphile - Family  
of Vane Scott 44 EM3



Jim & Kathleen Clark  
68-69 BM3



Darlene & James Hanley  
64-65 Ltjg



Richard & Mary Carson  
58-62 BT2



Cheryl & Richard Denton  
67-69 MM2



Nancy & John Lachowski  
54-55 EM2



Larry & Mary Dean 66-67 SNPC



Dorothy & Jim Moffatt 54-56 Ltjg

SMILING FACES

*Donations made between  
Nov 1, 2016 & Feb 28, 2017*

Dan Ahern 62-65 MM3  
William Bachor 63-66 BT2  
Dennis Badore 65-68 RM2  
Cecil Bennett 57-59 MR3  
Michael Bordy 65-66 Ltjg  
Robert Cannon 66-68 BT3  
James Clark 68-69 BM3  
Ed Davis 62-63 SF3  
John Dirksen 60-63 Ltjg  
Louise Farel - In memory of John  
Brereton 43-45 Lt  
Jim Glover 61-63 SN  
Sam Gordon 51-53 TA  
George Gourley 49-52 FC3  
Dale Holst 51-54 RD2  
Dorothy Keefe - In memory of Ralph  
Keefe 49-51 EM3  
Virginia Leifheit - In memory of Robert  
Penman 42-45 WT1  
Donald Lewis 62-64 BT3  
Jack Nelson 63-65 Lt  
Robert Nokleby 53-54 GMSN  
Donald Prickett 61-62 PN3  
Fran Robak - In memory of Henry  
Robak 54-58 EM3  
Max Scott 60-64 TM3  
Robert Shafer 54-56 SN  
Sandy Ward - In honor of our father  
Jess Ward 43-45 Lt, and  
memory of my brother  
Kent T. Ward  
Joe Worsham 63-65 Ltjg

*Your Generosity is  
GREATLY Appreciated!*

## MEMBER UPDATES

### 40's

Dorothy Keefe  
Spouse of Ralph Keefe 49-52 EM3  
419-517-3242 (home)

### 50's

Tom Puorro 50-51 GMSN  
5454 Riverside Dr, Port Orange, FL 32127

### 60's

Dennis Badore 65-68 RM2  
908-783-0312 (cell)

Robert Cannon 66-68 BT3  
313-372-5417 (home)

Ernest E. Childers 65-68 MM3  
11463 Conch Ct., Venice, FL 34292  
941-445-5304

Jalaluddin Latif 62-66 EM3  
PO Box 393, Amherst, MA 01004

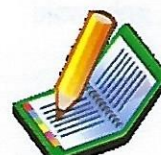
Paul Mohr 67-68 ET3 - **NEW MAN**  
16969 Mesamint St  
San Diego, CA 92127 - 858-945-1990

Donald Prickett 61-62 PN3  
prickettdon@comcast.net

Charles Thomson 66-69 SK3 - **NEW MAN**  
190 Hillview Terrace  
Hinesburg, VT 05461 - 802-482-7494

Donald Walsh 61-63 PN3  
2000 May Drive, Apt 209  
Zelionople, PA 16063 - 724-452-3449

Edward S. Wojtal 61-64 RD2  
47 Birkendene Road, Caldwell, NJ 07006



Update Your Roster

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Bob Hammon 55-57 GM2

	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	TOTAL
<b>INCOME</b>	\$45.00	\$436.64	\$75.00	\$170.00	\$726.64
Donations/Ship's Store					
<b>EXPENSES</b>	\$102.90	\$1,205.00	\$87.64	\$747.54	\$2,143.08
				<b>LOSS</b>	<b>-\$1,416.44</b>

## USS RADFORD ASSOCIATION DONATION FORM

Please consider a financial gift to the USS Radford

### ALL GIFTS ARE APPRECIATED

Financial contributions to the USS Radford Association are tax-deductible.  
Contact Bob Hammon, Treasurer, for the necessary paperwork.



### YES - I WANT TO HELP SUPPORT THE USS RADFORD ASSOCIATION

Tax Exempt Number/EIN: 34-1901062

\$10.00    \$20.00    \$25.00    \$50.00    \$100.00    Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount

Make check payable to: USS Radford Association

Return check to: Bob Hammon - 4813 Royal King Ct., St. Louis, MO 63128

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Aboard Radford: (from/to) \_\_\_\_\_

Rate/Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Ex: BT1, MM2, etc.

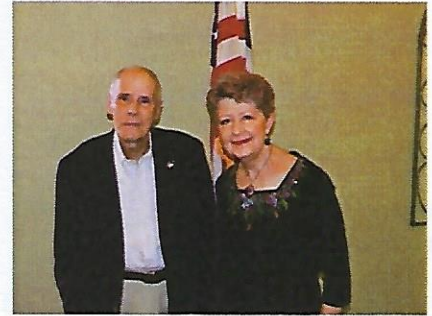
Please check this box if any of your information has changed since the last newsletter



Sammie & John Mills  
61-64 MM3



Sofia & Jim Dunworth  
61-63 Ltjg



Bob & Sharon Hammon  
55-57 GM2

## 2017 Reunion Tour Websites

<http://www.beckley.org/general-information-coal-mine/> (Beckley Coal Mine)

[www.tamarackwv.com](http://www.tamarackwv.com) (Tamarack sells only WV made products)

<https://www.nps.gov/neri/planyourvisit/nrgbridge.htm> (New River Gorge Bridge)

[http://www.legis.state.wv.us/Educational/Capitol\\_History/pg8.cfm](http://www.legis.state.wv.us/Educational/Capitol_History/pg8.cfm) (Governor's Mansion)

[www.wvculture.org/museum/State-Museum-Index.html](http://www.wvculture.org/museum/State-Museum-Index.html) (Museum)

USS Radford Association  
482 Windyville Road  
Spencer, WV





## USS RADFORD DD/DDE 446 REUNION SIGN-UP SHEET

26<sup>TH</sup> National Reunion  
September 20 – September 24, 2017  
800-228-9290

Marriott Town Center  
200 Lee Street East  
Charleston, WV 25301

**\$99 per night – includes complimentary hot breakfast**

**Tell Central Reservations you are with USS RADFORD GROUP**

Name(s) for Badges: \_\_\_\_\_

Served on Radford: \_\_\_\_\_ Rate/Rank: \_\_\_\_\_  
Years(s) from / to

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Current City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: Shipmate \$10, Spouse \$5, add'l guest(s) \$5 each (Ex: shipmate & spouse = \$15)			\$ _____
Wed. Sept 20 – Pizza Party & Auction (sponsored by USS Radford Association)	NO CHARGE	how many?	_____
Thurs. Sept 21 – Coal Mine, Tamarack, & New River Gorge	\$33 per person	___x\$33 =	\$ _____
Fri. Sept 22 – Governor's Mansion, State Capitol, State Museum	\$28 per person	___x\$28 =	\$ _____
Sat. Sept 23 – Dinner Banquet & DJ	\$45 per person	___x\$45 =	\$ _____
Sun. Sept 24 – Farewell breakfast in hotel restaurant			
	<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED:</b>		<b>\$ _____</b>

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### KEEP THIS LOWER SECTION FOR YOUR INFORMATION

RETURN UPPER SECTION WITH MONEY ENCLOSED TO:

BOB HAMMON, TREASURER

**\*\*WE MUST HAVE YOUR FORM NO LATER THAN AUG 19\*\***

4813 ROYAL KING COURT

Make checks payable to: USS Radford Association

ST. LOUIS, MO 63128

*Marriott Town Center – 200 Lee Street East – Charleston, WV 25301*  
800-228-9290 - \$99 per night – Sept 20 – 24, 2017 – Rate good 3 days before/after

Wed. Sept 20: **6:00 p.m.** Pizza Party & Auction in hospitality room.  
Thurs. Sept 21: **9:00 a.m.** Depart hotel for Beckley Coal Mine tour, then on to Tamarack for lunch & shopping. Finish with a self-tour of the New River Gorge – great spot for taking pictures.  
Friday Sept 22: **9:00 a.m.** Depart hotel for Governor's Mansion, State Capitol (lunch-on-own) and the State Museum.  
**5:00 p.m.** Group Photo – location to be announced.  
Sat. Sept 23: **9:00 a.m.** Business meeting  
**5:00-6:00 p.m.** Cocktail hour  
**6:00 p.m.** TAPS, followed by dinner & DJ  
Sunday Sept. 24: **7:00 a.m.** - ? Farewell Breakfast

Please let us know if you have special dietary needs