



# USS RADFORD

## Newsletter

2023 Post Reunion Edition

**Here We Are At King's Castle Theater  
Branson, Mo September 15, 2023**





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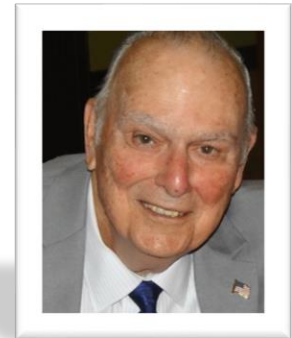


**Dave  
Baker**

Website  
Coordinator



If you haven't already heard, Jim Moffatt decided to step down as our chaplain after serving us since 2014. Steve Weigel was elected as our new chaplain.



**Larry Dean**  
**Steve Weigel**  
**Kim Parsons**  
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If you purchased our group photograph taken at Kings Castle Theater in Branson, you may have been disappointed in the quality of the photo or the omission of our hull number in the title. Kim Parsons will send you via email, a digitized, enhanced version of the reunion photo (as seen on the first page of this newsletter). As an alternative, she will send you the photo via mail. Please let Kim know if you are interested in either option.

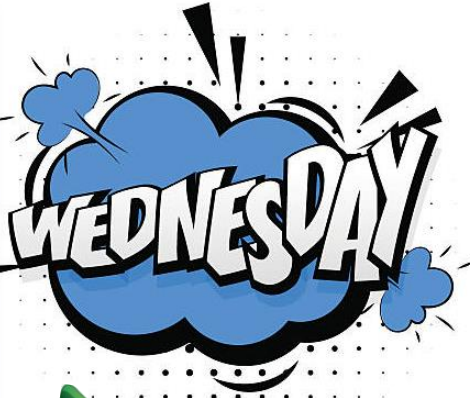


# HERE'S YOUR 2023 REUNION RUNDOWN



Once again, our reunion provided us with the perfect opportunity to reconnect with one another and enjoy some good conversation with old friends. A pleasant hotel, awesome tours and a fabulous Saturday night to wrap it all up made for a very memorable occasion.

Kim, you hit it out of the ballpark. Thank you for the great job arranging this year's reunion.



**“TIME TO  
JUST HANG-  
OUT AND  
CATCH UP  
WITH ONE  
ANOTHER”**













# THURSDAY



**Important Notice**

**Just let Kim Parsons know if you are interested in getting either photo, #1 top left or #2 bottom left (or both if you want), and she will email a high resolution picture. Let her know if you are unable to receive or print a digital version, and she will mail you a copy of the photo.**









LUNCH  
AT  
THE

WHOLE HOG CAFÉ  
WORLD CHAMPION BBQ & CATERING



 **ROB DOLIBER**  
THOMPSON COACH



TOUR SPRINGFIELD,  
MISSOURI







**Friday**

   
**BRANSON**



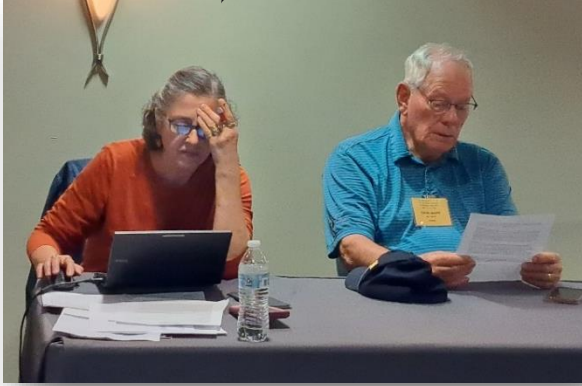






# SATURDAY!

# Business Meeting





# Banquet Dinner











**ERIC REDDY**









# The GALLERY



 **Ken  
ARNOLD**



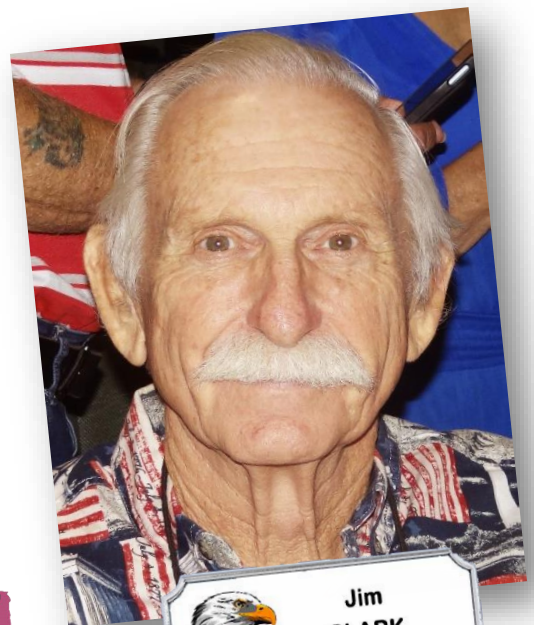
 **Dave  
BAKER**



 **Todd and Carmen  
BOYD**



 **Don and Betty Lou  
BOND**



 **Jim  
CLARK**






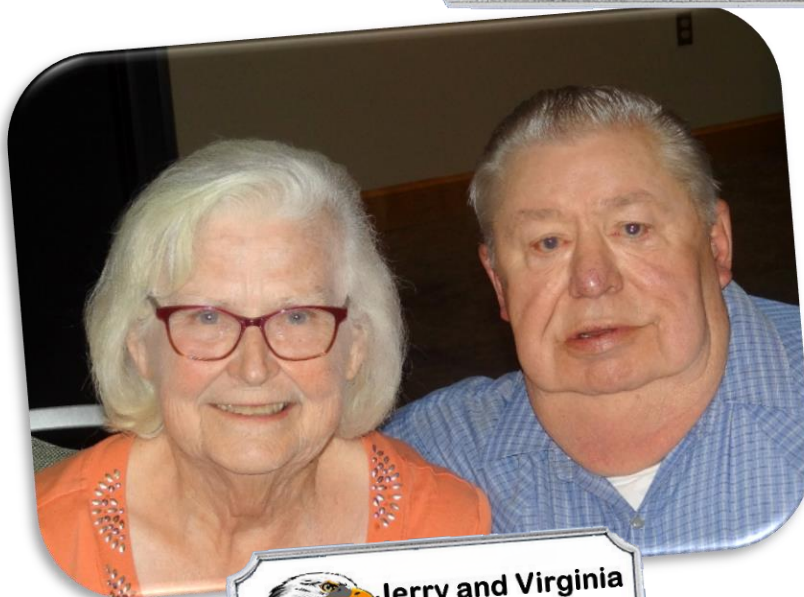
 **Larry and Marie  
DAVIS**



 **Larry and Mary  
DEAN**



 **Richard and Cheryl  
DENTON**



 **Jerry and Virginia  
FREEZE**



 **Weldon  
FREEZE**





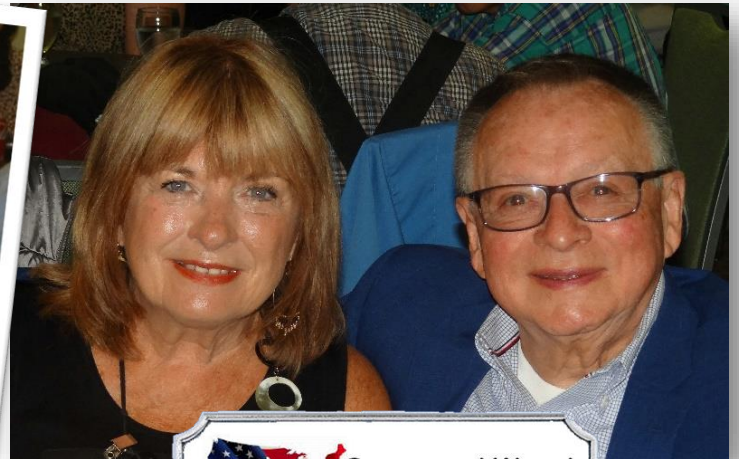
 **Ray and Shirley  
HAMILTON**



 **Nancy  
JELENSKY**



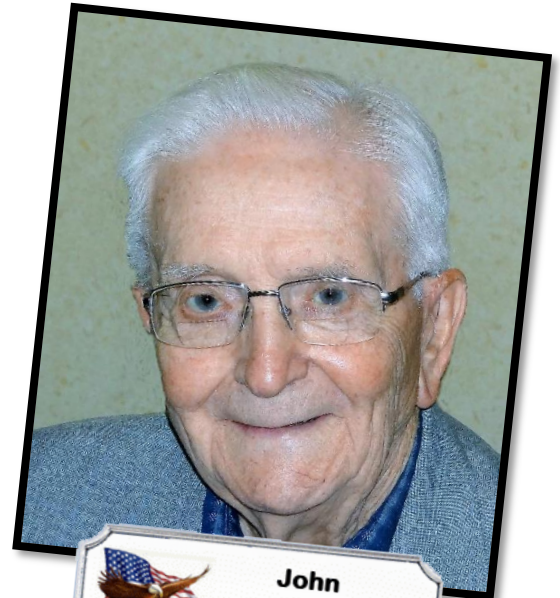
 **Harold and Donna  
JENSEN**



 **Gerry and Wendy  
KIBAT**



 **Cindy KLEMENTS  
&  
Denise LACHOWSKI**



 **John  
LACHOWSKI**





 **Lara and Jackson  
HONEA with Grandpa  
Bill LEWIS**



 **Bill and Carol  
LUCHEL**



 **Jim and Dorothy  
MOFFATT**

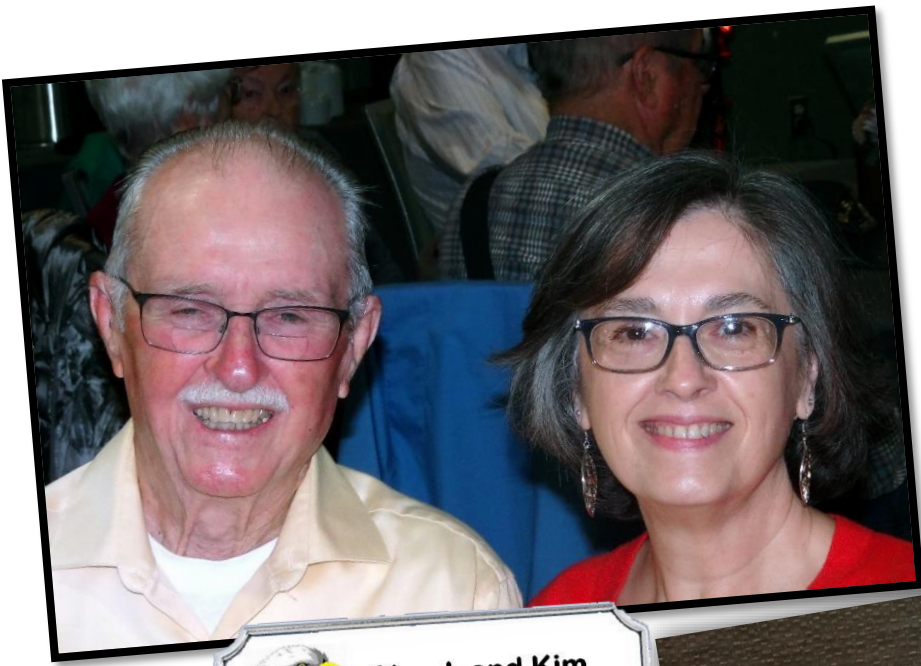


 **Mike and Helen  
NAVE**



 **Marvin  
MUNN**

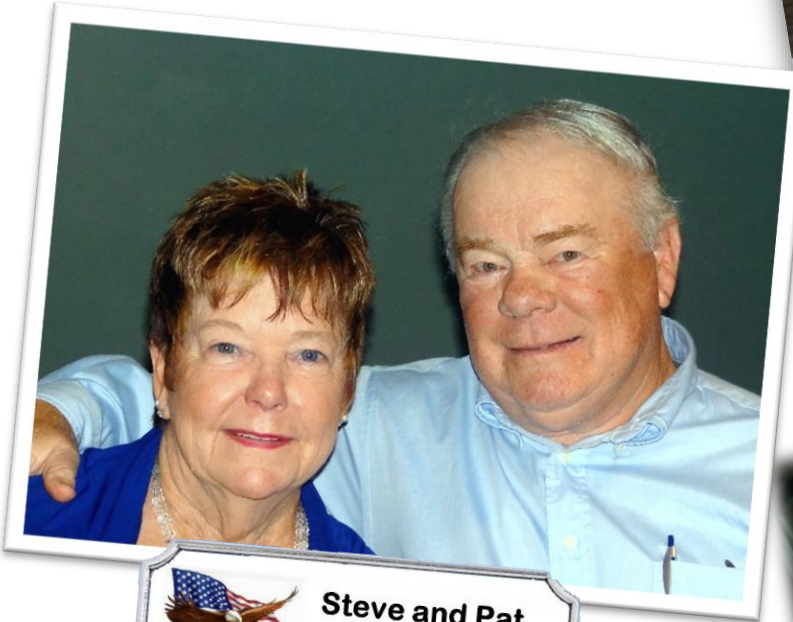




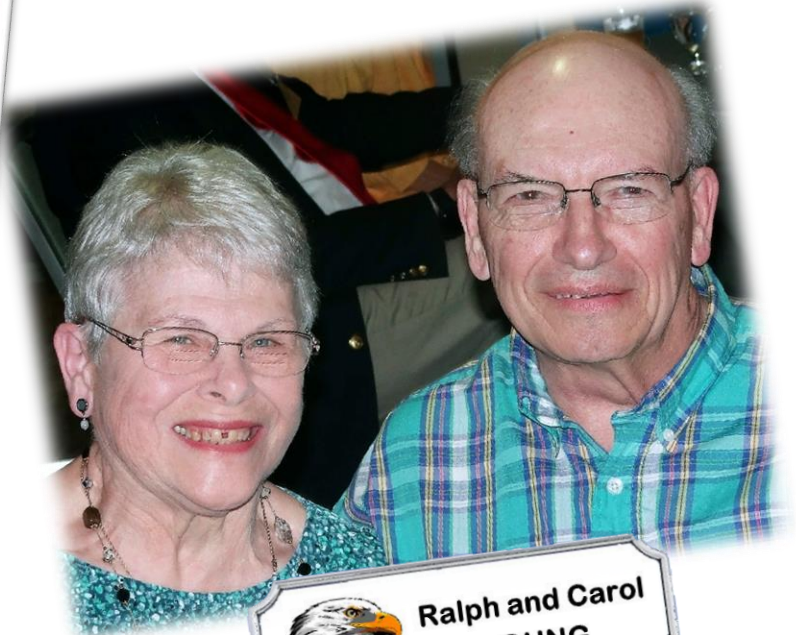
 **Chuck and Kim  
PARSONS**




 **John ROBERTS  
&  
Carol SIZEMORE**



 **Steve and Pat  
WEIGEL**



 **Ralph and Carol  
YOUNG**



# DONATIONS

## May 2023

**Dan and Gloria Ahern** 62-65 MM3

**Fran Robak**

(in memory of **Henry Robak** 54-58 EM3)

## June 2023

**Louise Farel**

(in memory of her father **Jack Brereton** 43-45 Lt)

**Fran Robak**

(in memory of **Henry Robak** 54-58 EM3)

## July 2023

**George Wagner** 62-65 LTjg

**Donald Lewis** 62-64 BT3

## September 2023

**Gerry Kibat** 67-68 QM3

**John Lachowski**

(in memory of wife Nancy Lachowski and son John Lachowski, Jr.)

## October 2023

**Fran Robak**

(in memory of **Henry Robak** 54-58 EM3)

# THANK YOU

## USS RADFORD



MUSEUM

The Orleck is on its way to becoming a premier museum. However, all focus is on Orleck and most of the non-Orleck artifacts will be distributed to other museums, organizations that collect military artifacts, and in the case of specific items like our Radford articles, Larry Davis has collected a large portion of what still exists, and will make items available to anyone interested. He would like to dispose of all the material prior to the end of the year. He can inform you about the types of items he collected.

If interested, please contact Larry as soon as possible (321-501-5260).



**William Tinker** 61-64 RD2

*New address:*

5020 N Valley Shadows Pl.  
Tucson, AZ 85750



**Harold Jensen** 66-69 BT2

*New address:*

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Saint Marys, KS 66536



**William W. Danneels** 53-54 ENS

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**Brian Price** 68-69 FN

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**Roy Estes** 64-67 SN

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**James "Ray" Hamilton** 66-68 GM1

*Revised listing information*

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Chandler, TX 75758  
903-283-3811

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George Boyle



Don Coplin







- ★ **John Lachowski Jr**  
(son of John Lachowski 54-55 EM2)  
Passed away on July 4, 2023
- ★ **Kenneth E. Cornell** 63-67 MM3  
Passed away on July 17, 2022
- ★ **John Dirkson** 60-63 LTjg  
Passed away on August 13, 2023
- ★ **Cecil Bennett** 57-59 MR3  
Passed away on July 14, 2023
- ★ **Doug Wilkening** 63-66 BT3  
Passed away on September 4, 2023
- ★ **Richard Carson** 58-62 BT2  
Passed away on August 22, 2023

- ★ **Don Coplin** 51-54 BM1  
Passed away on May 24, 2023
- ★ **Felix Meza** 49-52 BT3  
Passed away on September 2, 2020
- ★ **Tom Tookey** 65-67 RDC  
Passed away on October 27, 2022

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