

## HEY ALL!

Time to make your plans to be at the Ramada Plaza Beach Resort on May 13-17 for the 2018 version of the Koh Tang Mayaguez Veterans Organization reunion! We've got an agenda chock full of great activities which will provide time to be with your brothers and help remember those who didn't return from Koh Tang. Among other things:

1. GOLF! Gator Lakes Golf Course 91300 Walkup Way, Hurlburt Field, FL. Come on and hack it around with the rest of us. No matter your handicap or lack of one, it'll be a great time.
2. Naval Aviation Museum Pensacola, Florida
3. Group photo in front of the HH-53 Knife 22
4. Witness to War Foundation would like to interview any interested veterans who'd like put their experiences on the record for posterity.
5. Mission debrief - we'll follow the format we used last, everyone gets to share.
6. Final Banquet with Tom Noble, Black Velvet 1, and Gary Weikel, Jolly 11, to give us a blow by blow of their experiences.
7. Christopher Williamson from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency Research Support Team/Indo-Pacific Directorate will be querying members in an attempt to identify the possible location of those who did not return from Koh Tang.

We've already had a great response! Many, but not all of those attending are listed on the website. Don't wait until the last minute! (Which, by the way, you've already done!) DO IT NOW!!!

If for some reason you can't attend because times are a little tight, you call me personally at 702-460-3371 and in, complete confidence, we'll try find the resources. I cannot emphasize enough, that we really, truly, emphatically want YOU there.

So you're still not completely convinced? Look, your past president and brother in arms just passed away a few weeks ago. He wanted badly to attend this one but will, unfortunately, not get the chance. What I'm trying to say is that none of us are getting any younger. How many more times will we get to do this? Take the opportunity now to attend this one. Hotel group rates are available 'til April 12th. Visit the website at: [http://kohtang.com/gatherings-reunion/2018\\_fort\\_walton/2018\\_fort\\_walton.html](http://kohtang.com/gatherings-reunion/2018_fort_walton/2018_fort_walton.html) or call Sarah at the Ramada Plaza Beach Resort at 800-874-8962 to secure your hotel reservation.

I look forward to seeing you ALL there!

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