

Vietnam Security Police Association
29th Reunion
Joint Base San Antonio – Lackland AFB
October 9 – 13, 2024
UPDATED WITH NEW INFORMATION
AND REGISTRATION FORMS

The 2024 VSPA reunion will be held at the Holiday Inn - San Antonio Riverwalk Hotel, 217 North Saint Mary's Street, San Antonio, Texas 78205. The contract room rate is **\$169 per night, plus tax**. The room rate ***includes a free breakfast in the Hospitality Room***. The rooms include a refrigerator. The group room rate is available three days before and three days after the reunion based upon room availability. **CERTIFIED SERVICE DOGS ARE ALLOWED IN THE HOTEL, BUT YOU MUST BRING YOUR PAPERWORK! PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED!** You must book early to ensure that rooms are available. **DON'T WAIT!** Overnight Self-Parking is available for \$20 per day. Valet Parking is available for \$39 per day. Motor Coach parking is space-available for \$65 per day.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Call Phone 1-210-224-2500 (Select Option #2) by **TUESDAY, September 8, 2024**. You may also use the toll-free phone 1-888-465-4329. You must identify yourself as a member of the **Vietnam Security Police Association Group Block Code P24**. All reservations must be guaranteed and accompanied by a first night room deposit or guaranteed with a major credit card. **The deadline for reservations is September 8, 2024. After that date, rooms will be space available only and AT THE HOTEL'S PREVAILING RATE. Make your reservations early!** Check-in time is 4:00 PM; check-out time is 12:00 Noon.

If you encounter any difficulty with hotel reservations, reserve the room, obtain the confirmation number, and contact the Reunion BRAT at 1-360-663-2521. Explain the problem and she will correct it for you.

IF YOU HAVE TO CANCEL FOR ANY REASON, PLEASE CALL THE REUNION BRAT AT 1-360-663-2521 TO COORDINATE REASSIGNMENT OF YOUR ROOM RESERVATION. DO NOT CALL THE HOTEL!

AIRPORT INFORMATION:

Book your flight to "San Antonio International Airport" (airport code: SAT), in San Antonio, Texas.

The hotel DOES NOT HAVE an airport shuttle.

REUNION REGISTRATION FEE: \$225 per person (early bird) if postmarked by **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9!** After September 9, please add \$25 for a total of \$250. Our economy has driven prices up and made it difficult for planning that requires money to be paid in advance to our hotel and vendors. All food and beverage prices are up, and the buses have increased in price due to fuel. *Our economy has been difficult for all of us. We are doing our best to control costs. Please take advantage of the Early Bird registration fee.*

AGENDA: The agenda is generally accurate, but is subject to change due to operational requirements at Lackland AFB for the 802nd Security Forces Squadron:

- **Wednesday, October 9:**
 - 1400 On-site Registration and Reception.
 - 1700 Cocktails.
 - 1800 Buffet dinner at the hotel.
- **Thursday, October 10:** Buffet breakfast. KNIFE_13 MEMORIAL Dedication at the Security Forces Museum, Lackland AFB.
- **ENTRY AUTHORIZATION LIST REQUIRED TO ENTER LACKLAND AFB! YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ATTACHED MANDATORY INFORMATION FORM!**
 - **1200 Buses will load.**
 - **1215 Buses will depart the hotel and proceed to Lackland.**
 - **1300 Knife-13 Memorial Dedication. All VSPA members in place prior to 1300.**
 - **AFTER THE DEDICATION,** tour of the Security Forces Museum.
 - **1600 Buses will load.**
 - **1615 Buses will depart Lackland** and return to the hotel by 1700.
 - Be sure to eat an early lunch. Evening open.
- **Friday, October 11:** Buffet breakfast. Presentation by the 802nd Security Forces Squadron **at our hotel.** Dinner and evening are open for squadron and base dinners or gatherings.
- **Saturday Morning, October 12:** Breakfast buffet before the VSPA Business Meeting at 1000. Afternoon open.
- **Saturday Morning, October 12:** Breakfast buffet before the VSPA Sisterhood gathering of wives and companions at 1000. Afternoon open.
- **Saturday Evening, October 12:**
 - 1700 Cocktails.
 - 1800 Banquet dinner with awards and raffle.
- **Sunday Morning, October 13:**
 - Breakfast buffet before the Memorial Service and reading of the names at 1000.
 - The reunion will end after the memorial service.
- The Hospitality Room will be stocked with FREE snacks & beverages and will be open as much as possible.
- **THE VSPA BX STORE WILL NOT BE AT THE REUNION THIS YEAR DUE TO TRANSPORTATION COST. HOWEVER, YOU MAY PURCHASE MEMORABILIA, HATS, SHIRTS AND CHALLENGE COINS VIA THE ONLINE BX STORE AT THE FOLLOWING LINK. ORDER BY SEPTEMBER 15.**

<https://vspa.coffeecup.com/shop/>

ABOUT THE EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT:

The Reunion BRAT and your VSPA Board of Directors experienced severe impact on planning and preparation for prior reunions due to **late and incomplete registrations** that were received long past the deadline. The impact on the VSPA Board and Reunion Planning Committee consisted of delaying plans with the bases, obtaining authorization for base entry, and coordinating with multiple units at the bases. A variety of other problems have occurred that we had to resolve on behalf of our members by contacting them for the Reunion BRAT. We have reduced those problems significantly through the implementation of our EARLY BIRD FEE, which has been unanimously approved by our membership.

THEREFORE, THE \$25 EARLY BIRD CREDIT ON YOUR REGISTRATION WILL BE HONORED IF YOUR REGISTRATION IS POSTMARKED BY SEPTEMBER 9. FOR REGISTRATIONS POSTMARKED AFTER THAT DATE, THE REGISTRATION FEE WILL INCREASE BY \$25.

If you have a question or need additional information about this reunion, please contact VSPA President Larry Fleming LDFleming569@gmail.com or call him on his cell phone at (254) 396-4091. We hope to see you in San Antonio, Texas for our 29th Reunion and the dedication of the KNIFE-13 Memorial at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland. It will be great to see you.

“We Take Care of Our Own!”



VIETNAM SECURITY POLICE ASSOCIATION REUNION REGISTRATION FORM



**Joint Base San Antonio
Lackland AFB - October 9-13, 2024**

NAME _____

RVN or Thai base _____ Squadron _____ Years 19 _____ to 19 _____

(Do not list bases outside of Vietnam or Thailand)

RVN or Thai base _____ Squadron _____ Years 19 _____ to 19 _____

Home Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Name(s) of your guests(s) _____

Banquet meal selection: BEEF _____ CHICKEN _____ VEGETARIAN _____

List any special needs: _____

In case of emergency, notify: _____

Is this your first VSPA Reunion? YES: _____ NO: _____

REGISTRATION FEES

Are your annual VSPA dues current? **Dues Renewals Only** \$15 = \$ _____
(Not for new members - to join the VSPA, please see "VSPA Membership" on the instructions page).

Number of persons attending the Reunion including you # _____ X \$225 = \$ _____
(EARLY BIRD CREDIT OF \$25 INCLUDED if postmarked by September 9)

Number of persons attending the Reunion including you # _____ X \$250 = \$ _____
(LATE FEE OF \$25 INCLUDED if postmarked AFTER September 9)

TOTAL PAYMENT ENCLOSED = \$ _____

SEND PAYMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS, AND MADE PAYABLE TO:

THE REUNION BRAT
16817 Mountainside Drive East
Greenwater, WA 98022 (360) 663-2521
TheReunionBRAT@hotmail.com

**BE SURE TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FORM WITH THE INFORMATION
REQUIRED FOR THE LACKLAND AFB ENTRY AUTHORIZATION LIST.**

Entry Authorization List Procedures 802ND Security Forces Squadron JBS SAN ANTONIO - LACKLAND

SUBJECT: VISITOR ACCESS – ENTRY AUTHORIZATION LIST

THE FOLLOWING BASE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS MUST BE COMPLETED IN ORDER TO ATTEND THE KNIFE-13 MEMORIAL DEDICATION AT THE SECURITY FORCES MUSEUM ON LACKLAND AFB!! The following comes directly from the 802ND Security Forces Squadron Pass & ID Section of Lackland AFB: Failure to provide the information will cause denial of entry. **THIS IS NOT A SCAM! IT IS A SPECIFIC AIR FORCE REQUIREMENT!!!** “Guests must use their LEGAL information. Nicknames, missing information, or incorrect information are not authorized. People will be removed from the list due to not providing valid information for entry onto a federal installation. List all personnel who require base access. Only use LEGAL personal information (i.e., Legal name, DOB, and DL# or passport, for individuals 18 years of age or older. Guests under the age of 18 only need to be listed by name and DOB.” LACKLAND AFB must have your complete, full name as it appears on your state driver’s license or other acceptable ID; NO NICKNAMES. THIS IS NOT NEW. WE HAVE DONE THIS BEFORE. WE MUST PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION TO THE BASE SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON PASS & ID SECTION so that you will be allowed to enter Lackland AFB with the VSPA Entry Authorization List (EAL) that we must provide. Please use the following numbers when you specify ID TYPE below:

- 1 = Driver’s License 2 = State Identification Card 3 = Veteran’s Identification Card 4 = Passport/Visa
- 5 = Permanent Residence Card 6 = US Citizenship & Immigration Services 7 - Foreign Visitor

| Last Name, First Name, MI | DOB (DD/MMM/YY) | Country of Birth | ID Type | ID Number | Country of Issue | State of Issue |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------|-----------|------------------|----------------|
| Doe, John Q. | 12/25/45 | USA | 1 | 12345678 | USA | TEXAS |

| Last Name, First Name, MI | DOB (DD/MMM/YY) | Country of Birth | ID Type | ID Number | Country of Issue | State of Issue |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------|-----------|------------------|----------------|
| Doe, Jane (NMI) | 01/01/48 | USA | 4 | 987654 | USA | |

| Last Name, First Name, MI | DOB (DD/MMM/YY) | Country of Birth | ID Type | ID Number | Country of Issue | State of Issue |
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE REGISTRATION FORMS

1. The information that you provide on this form is critical for a successful reunion. All name and base information will be placed on your reunion identification badge. Guests will also receive reunion identification. The reunion ID will serve as your identification throughout the reunion and when you attend the Knife-13 Memorial Dedication at Lackland AFB.
2. PLEASE PRINT or type all information clearly. Do not use abbreviations on any portion of the registration form.
3. RVN OR THAI BASE INFORMATION: Please list only those bases where you served in Vietnam or Thailand. When listing bases, do not abbreviate. When listing squadrons, please indicate Air Police, Security Police, or specific detachments. The information will be used on your reunion ID.
4. HOME ADDRESS and MAILING ADDRESS: for your confirmation letter. THE CONFIRMATION LETTERS WILL BE MAILED BY SEPTEMBER 20, 2024.
5. TELEPHONE AND EMAIL ADDRESS: Your contact information is vital to a successful reunion. You will also receive a copy of the attendee roster upon arrival at the hotel.
6. NAMES OF YOUR GUESTS: Please provide the first name, middle initial and last name of your guest(s) on the Registration Form. **YOU MUST ALSO COMPLETE THE BASE ENTRY SECURITY FORM.**
7. RENEWAL OF ANNUAL DUES: For existing VSPA members only - you can renew your dues at the time of registration if they are not current. VSPA membership must be current to attend the reunion or bring a guest. Life Members have paid their dues for life.
8. VSPA MEMBERSHIP: If you are not a member of the Vietnam Security Police Association, please do not send \$15 with this registration form. You may join at the reunion by completing an application and providing your DD Form 214 showing service in Vietnam or Thailand as a USAF Air Policeman, Security Policeman or Augmentee. For further information on how to become a member, contact **Larry Fleming (254) 396-4091**.
9. REUNION COST: The registration fee is \$225 per person UNLESS YOU MISS THE EARLY BIRD DEADLINE WITH A POSTMARK OF SEPTEMBER 9. The registration fee will be \$250 per person for all registrations postmarked after September 9. **THIS IS CRITICAL** because of the work that must be completed by the Reunion BRAT and your Board of Directors. The following work must be completed by the Reunion BRAT after registrations are received: *ENTRY AUTHORIZATION LIST OF ATTENDEES MUST BE RECEIVED BY LACKLAND BY OCTOBER 1*. A full audit of all names, base names, squadrons, and fees paid. The audit of names must be correct for the EAL, to print reunion ID badges, pay advance fees to the hotel and bus transportation company based upon the number of people attending the reunion. Only then can the confirmation letters be mailed to our members. All of the registration and identification information must be assembled in Registration Welcome Packages that have to be mailed in bulk to the hotel with enough time for delivery no later than Tuesday, October 8, the day before registration opens at the hotel. Shipping and delivery are very difficult to guarantee with the current delays in mail systems and shipping. Once the packages arrive at the hotel, another audit must take place so that reunion specific items may be placed in each welcome package, including reunion pins, patches, meal tickets, bus tickets, raffle information and local restaurant information. **PLEASE DON'T DELAY.**