

12th 119th AHC Reunion

Branson, MO

September 22-24, 2026

I hope this finds each of you well! It is time once again time for the 119th AHC reunion. As I said last year, I will continue to hold this reunion every year as long as we can make it happen. I look forward to seeing everyone!

The 12th reunion of the 119th AHC is again being held in Branson, MO. September 22-24, 2026 for anyone assigned to the unit. We will be staying at the Thousand Hills Resort Hotel, located at 120 Wildwood Dr. and the rates are \$119.95 plus taxes and are good for two days before or after the reunion for those who might want to spend a few extra days. This is based on availability which should not be a problem. If anyone is in need of a handicap room it is recommended reservations be made early.

There is an onsite restaurant, and the prices are reasonable for a hotel. Included with your room is free breakfast. There are several places within walking distance to eat and numerous other good places that can be driven to in a short time. The hotel restaurant is open for breakfast and dinner.

The meeting room, which is also the registration, will be up and running on the morning of the 22nd starting around 0800 until 2400. Coffee will be available in the morning and the beer will be ready at 1200. A cash bar will be up and running at the same time for those of us that prefer the harder things in life. We will be conducting a raffle the last night whose funds will assist with reunion expenses. If you have something you would like to add to the raffle, please do so as this is what helps keep the group in a good financial shape. Also, if you have any pictures or other items you would like to share, along with your war story, bring them also.

The Ladies Luncheon will be held on the 23rd. Cost of this is \$29 inclusive. This event has been successful in the past years and will continue as long as the ladies enjoy it!

Also available will be 119th Challenge coins and t-shirts.

When you start to make your reservations at the hotel call 417-690-4024. Anyone in sales can make your reservation. It is recommended that you do not make reservations through the national reservation number as we had minor issues there in past years. Also, for those of you flying into Springfield, MO and need to make car rentals there are several agencies available; Hertz, Enterprise, Avis and National are a couple. Would suggest you make reservations before arrival. Cut-off date for hotel reservations before our room block returns to the hotel is **August 22, 2026**. Reservations made after the cutoff date will be based upon hotel availability.

As you all know this year, we will be welcoming returning members of the Silver Spurs to our group. Their reunions were getting really small but did not want to end so they requested to join with us. As a group we said yes, and we should look forward to greeting them. Should be interesting talking with them and hearing some of their experiences and war stories and meeting their families. This is the only outside group being accepted as you all agreed.

We had a great turnout for 2025 and hope to see the same or better for 2026.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me at the email/phone number below. I am looking forward to seeing everyone and hopefully a few new faces and carrying on my dad's legacy to honor each and everyone of you!

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And to honor my dad's legacy... I will keep his sign off..

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