



Savannah: Someward Bound

47th Annual 8th AFHS Reunion

October 27-31, 2021

Savannah...filled with beauty, mystery, and history. She has it all. So much in fact, we've scheduled three (3) tours to help you see and experience as much as possible in the Hostess City!

Our first tour on **Thursday morning, October 28th**, will explore some of the more 'unfamiliar places' you may not have seen before during a past visit. We'll take a look outside the Historic District and visit lesser known but beautiful neighborhoods such as Ardsley Park and Victory Drive. Also visit the tranquil area of Isle of Hope to see beautiful Antebellum Homes situated along the beautiful yet quaint, Bluff Drive. This area is where they filmed "Glory"

On **Friday, October 29th**, we will be guests of the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force. It is one of the finest

museums in the US—the only one dedicated to the 8th Air Force! For many of you, this will be a "coming home." A time of reflection and remembrance.

Often referred to as "soul stirring", the "Mighty Eighth" is an incredibly emotional experience



throughout every inch of the more than 90,000 sq ft under roof. Stroll through the contemplative Memorial Gardens and wind your way into the Chapel of the Fallen Eagles. Modeled after a Gothic English village chapel, be sure to

enjoy the exquisitely hand-crafted stained-glass windows and the beauty of the antique furnishings. Imagine young airmen attending Sunday services on occasion, and the comfort they experienced.

The Roger A. Freeman Eighth Air Force Research Center is dedicated to promoting research on Eighth Air Force history and to expanding its priceless collection of over nine thousand books significant to the history of the Eighth Air Force as well as original manuscripts, photographs, artifacts, works of art, oral history interviews and personal accounts.

The John H. Woolnough Library serves as the research center's reading room. Of special interest is the research center's collection of Eighth Air Force volumes, including all the published group histories. Most of these books are shelved in the John



H. Woolnough Library.

Manuscript highlights include original diaries and letters as well as over 62,000 previously unpublished photographs.

Of course, the centerpiece exhibit of the Museum would have to be the B17-G, named appropriately, "City of Savannah", and currently undergoing extensive restoration by an incredibly talented team of volunteers in the Combat Gallery.

Be sure and order a delicious box lunch from Miss Sophie's (check your registration form). You'll be able to enjoy it in the Museum's beautiful Colonial Group, Inc., Art Gallery. The Art Gallery displays paintings from the world's leading aviation artists. Currently, the "Permanent Collection Exhibit" selected by guest curator, Keith Ferris, features 64 paintings by artists from around the world who specialize in aviation subjects.

Founded in 1733, Savannah is one of America's finest preserved cities and considered a jewel of the south. During our final tour on

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MIGHTY EIGHTH AIR FORCE



Saturday, October 30th, you will enjoy a comprehensive, completely narrated guided tour of one of the largest National Urban Historic Landmarked Districts in the United States. You will be transported through more than 287 years of American history. Ride along cobblestone paved streets beneath moss-draped



beautiful squares, romantic riverfront and abundance of true southern charm. Your driver will



oaks and experience the "Old South" with her stately mansions,

pick you up and return you to the hotel by 3:00pm.