

B-29 Wings of the Marianas, Inc.

“PRESENT DAY MOMENT IN HISTORY MAKING”

As we look forward to this May 2015 Reunion for our newly formed B-29 Wings of the Marianas, Inc., our organization’s Board is asking all of our **World War II Veteran members** to participate in a “Present Day Moment In History Making” project.

Let us explain:

The B-29 Wings of the Marianas was created as a legacy to the 73rd Bomb Wing Association, which held its last 73rd BW Assoc. reunion in Wichita, Kansas May 2014. This May 2015 Reunion will be the first under the direction of the newly formed B-29 Wings of the Marianas and is being held in Washington, D.C. The B-29 Wings of the Marianas organization and this reunion is opened to Bomb Wings/Groups, such as the 58th, 73rd, 313th, 315th, and others, who endeavor to preserve and perpetuate the history and achievements of the World War II B-29 Bomb Wings/Groups stationed in the Marianas.

It is wonderful that so many of you **Veterans** have written accounts, taped your stories, and even written books about your experiences in WWII. The memorabilia we have all enjoyed at previous reunions are precious because they are full of pictures and newspaper clippings of the actual time and events. To start off this 2015 Reunion, we think it will be creative to have a beginning scrapbook, so to speak, of “**You now**” (our first year together as the B-29 Wings group) that will be viewed by all, and generations to come.

What is being asked of you, the **World War II Veteran**, is as follows:

How to do this:

Have yourself or someone with an iPhone, tablet, or similar device make a present day recording of you speaking for about 15 minutes. Then upload it to our organization’s website, which is “www.B-29wings.org.” When all the recordings are received we will turn them into a single scrapbook on DVD to show at our 2015 Reunion and to add to our memorabilia.

Remember, **You** are a wealth of knowledge, wisdom, and inspiration to all who watch and listen (now and generations to come) to what you have to say and will be enriched by doing so. So, the suggestions are just that; speak from your mind and your heart. And, the about “15 minutes” is just that; it can be less, or take longer if you want.

If you are not able to attend the May 2015 Reunion, you are still invited to participate in this DVD project.

Due date:

Submission must be in by May 1, 2015. Of course, the sooner, the better.

What to say: (A Must)

1. Start with your name, and the town/city and state where you presently live.

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2. State which Bomb Wing/Group you belonged to, position(s) held, where you were stationed, and during what years.
3. Have a picture or pictures of yourself during World War II (if you have any).

Suggestions Only:

4. Since this is present time, you can have your family surrounding you, or show a family photo. Be sure to identify their relationship to you.
5. Where and what were you doing when you heard about the War?
6. What town/city and state did you enlist from?
7. Share something about the War (an incident, the planes, the food, the living conditions, the pay, the bugs, entertainment, the attitudes – whatever), which people would otherwise have no idea.
8. After living through the War and all these years after-the-fact, what comments, advice, knowledge would you like to share with the world about the war? (your feelings afterwards in retrospect)
9. What would you personally like to be remembered for?
10. Being well seasoned with life experience, what do you want to pass on to future generations? (Does not have to be War related)
11. Say whatever you want to share with the world and generations to come.
12. Describe what you would like to see this new organization (the B-29 Wings of the Marianas) accomplish, and why you think it will hold benefit to future generations.

Permission and Mailing:

Once you have completed your recording and uploaded it to “www.B-29wings.org,” please complete the attached “Appearance Release Form” (permission), allowing the B-29 Wings of the Marianas, Inc. to use your recording. Send the original signed permission form to:

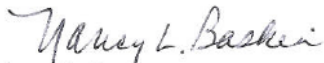
B-29 Wings of the Marianas, Inc.
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Spouses, Partners, Relation(s):

For you members who are the Spouses/Partners or Relation(s) to the World War II Veteran who is no longer with us, we ask the same of you. Give us a recounting of your Veteran with input in like manner as above. Be sure to identify yourself, the town/city and state where you live, and the name of your Veteran who has gone on before us. Complete the permission form and submit as above.

Any questions, please email “Info@B-29wings.org”.

On behalf of the B-29 Wings of the Marianas Board, thank you in advance for your participation.



Nancy (Nanny) L. Baskin
Chair, B-29 Wings of the Marianas, Inc.