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2025 REUNION - NASHVILLE SEPTEMBER 14-18, 2025

As was published in the 2024 fall newsletter, it was decided by a majority vote at our reunion business meeting in San Antonio that we would begin having annual reunions.

Our next location will be in Nashville. Our hotel is The Inn at Opryland, 2401 Music Valley Drive, Nashville, Tennessee. Our rates are \$159 per night for a Standard Exterior guest room and \$179 per night for an Atrium Interior room, both subject to state and local taxes. Rates are good 2 days before and after the reunion dates.

To reserve your room, call the hotel directly at **615-957-8604 or 615-231-8841**. Tell them you are booking for the 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry, 25th Infantry Division reunion on September 14 through 18, 2025.

The reunion registration form and tentative agenda are on pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter.

Warning Order

a. Situation. 1) Population of Tennessee is friendly and will support the seizure of Objective Nashville. 2) Elements of 3rd Squadron 4th Cavalry are to secure Objective Nashville. 3) 3rd Squadron 4th Cavalry will have F Co (LRRP) 50th Inf, F

Co 75th Ranger (LRRP) and F Trp 4th Cavalry attached.

b. Mission: 3rd Squadron 4th Cavalry's mission is to secure Objective Nashville NLT 1200 hrs 14 September 2025 and hold the objective until 09:00 hrs on 18 September 2025. Cavalrymen are to reconnect with fellow Troopers, honor our fallen comrades, share our experiences, and have fun.

C. Execution: Advance elements may cross the LD beginning on 12 September 2025. Advance Party to arrive NLT 0:800 hrs 14 September 2025. All elements arrive at Objective Nashville 13:00 hrs 14 September 2025.

d. Service Support: Registration desk will open at 13:00 hrs on 14 September 2025. Hospitality room will be open daily from 07:00 hrs to 23:45 hrs daily. S4 is to insure adequate Class VI is available on site.

e. Command & Control: Reunion planners (Jerry Headley, Bingo Bingham, & Dave Cox) are in command. Command to pass to Association President, Thomas Fleming, upon Objective Nashville being secured.

Order submitted by John Moore

OUR SQUADRON IS STANDING DOWN

We learned in January that, due to the Army's refocus on long-range operations, some mechanized cavalry units are being deactivated. Among them is our squadron.

Here's an edited email recently received from LTC James Lucas, current SCO.

Sir:

My name is Jimmy Lucas, and I am the current Squadron Commander for 3-4 CAV.

Unfortunately at the moment, we do not have a concrete date for the casing of the Squadron's colors. The original order from the Army has the no later than date as 1 October 2026 and there is not currently a date on the calendar any earlier than that. Here is what we do know:

We have already started to transition from the table of organization for Cavalry Squadron to that of an Infantry Battalion. This largely means we are gaining more infantryman and fewer scouts; however, we are still proudly flying our Squadron colors.

On or around 15 April the Brigade will hold a small celebration to mark the beginning of our transformation to an Infantry Battalion and we will start referring to ourselves as Task Force Raider.

On 17 April we will hold what we believe will be our last Squadron Ball. We would like to invite all members of the association and I would be happy to share the details with you.

At a point in time before 1 October 2026 we will case the 3-4 colors and un-case the colors for whatever we are designated as an IN BN.

Sincerely,

*James W. Lucas
LTC, AR
Raider 6
3-4 CAV/3IBCT/25th ID*

As many of you know, this is not the first time this has happened. A comprehensive history of our Squadron, along with the 4th Cavalry Regiment, many be found on our website.

**“Everybody likes to hear it
straight from the boss, even if you are
going to get fired.”
Will Rogers**

TROOPERS FOUND

CHARLES GREEN, C TROOP 68/69
The Villages, Florida

Current number of Troopers found – **1690**
(Includes those with whom we have lost contact or are known to be deceased)

NOTE: **265** are on the print mailing list and **310** on the email list. **If you wish to switch from the print edition to the email edition (or vice versa) or your dues are current and you are not receiving your newsletter, please contact Dave Cox at 13 Loma Linda Drive, Kerrville, TX 78028 or the email address shown in the masthead.** Please notify Dave Cox ASAP if you change your mailing address.

FIRST-TIMERS STILL COMING



John Carter, F Troop 72, will be joining us in Nashville for his first reunion.



TAPS

JOHN DREIMAN, D TROOP 69/70
BILL DRIVER, C TROOP 66/67
ORVILLE FAILEN, D TROOP 69
WILLIAM GREGORY, D TROOP 68/69
WILLIAM IMRIE, A TROOP 65/66
CHARLES POULOS, D TROOP 70
MICHAEL RICE, D TROOP 67/68
GARY VANDERBILT, C TROOP 66/67
RICHARD WILLIAMS, D TROOP 66/67

ATTA BOY / GIRL

Anonymous members for their donations to Chapter funds. To all who have newly joined the Chapter, renewed, or upgraded your membership.

Your tax-deductible donations and dues keep our chapter running. Please send your tax-deductible donations to Bob Bingham, treasurer.

FYI

THE ASSOCIATION ON THE WEB

3/4 Cavalry Chapter (John Moore):

<https://www.3-4cav.org/>

A Troop (John Moore):

<http://www.atrp3-4cav.org/>

B Troop (Jesse Doyle and daughter Tiffany Hendrick):

<https://www.btrp34cav.com/>

C Troop (John White):

<http://www.ctrp-3d-4thcav.com/>

D/F Troops (Bruce Powell):

<http://www centaursinvietnam.org/>

THE ASSOCIATION ON FACEBOOK

note: if the Facebook group is a closed group ask to join the group.

3/4 Cavalry Chapter: (Ruppert Baird):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/53219715921/>

HHT (Roger McGill):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1755445718108376/>

1st Plt B Troop (David Xanten/Jerry Boucher)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/582621255221032/>

C Troop (Bill Ruff/needs an administrator):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/194723020977176/>

F Troop (Frank Dillon/Harry Rogers):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/525635240973831/>

Online announcement layout by John Moore

QUARTERMASTER STORE

NOTE: *Payment for all orders up to \$50 must include an additional \$15 for mailing. Orders above \$50 must include an additional \$10.* Send check or money order payable to 3/4 Cavalry Chapter, to P.O. Box 24414, Lexington, KY 40524-4414, EXCEPT WHERE NOTED. You can also order items on the Chapter website – www.3-4cav.org , and pay using PayPal. You do not need a PayPal account, the PayPal system will process your credit card.

100 MILES OF BAD ROAD by Dwight Birdwell. Dwight has donated his last copies of his book to the QM Store for the benefit of the association. \$18 each while they last. The book is no longer in print, so if you would like a copy, this is your last chance.

TET '68 CHALLENGE COIN: Designed to commemorate the actions of our squadron on January 31, 1968. **These were recently re-stocked and have been going quickly. As of this edition only about 50 are left, so order now if you want one.** \$10 each.



TET '68 RIBBON & PIN: One set of each is free except for \$5 shipping to any Trooper who served during the period of the Tet Offensive in 1968. Any additional ribbons or pins can be purchased for \$10 per set, while they last.

GUIDON PIN: 2 for \$15

4"X6" MAGNET: Gold 3/4 crossed sabers on a dark blue background. Will attach to an auto or other metal device. Cost is \$5.00 each.

4th CAVALRY CREST DECAL (Outside Mount): These are 3.5" tall and are 2 for \$5.00.

REGIMENTAL CROSSED SABER PIN: \$15

PATCHES: Sew-on. \$5 each.

CROSSED SABERS: Crossed 3/4 sabers pin. **\$15** each.

FULL SIZE CREST: \$15.00 each.

MINATURE CREST: \$5.00 each.

BUMPER STICKERS: 2 for \$5.

LONG SLEEVE T-SHIRT: Gray, like the Tees already available, but with long sleeves for cooler weather. Prices are S, M, L & XL = **\$30**. 2X & 3X are **\$35**.

DENIM SHIRT: Available to order. Prices are S, M, L & XL are **\$55**. 2X is **\$60** and 3X is **\$65**. Cost is higher than at reunions due to shipping fees. Add \$5 each for name and troop and / or CIB.

GUIDON PATCH: 9"X 6". For sewing on to jacket or vest. \$45 each. Indicate Troop with order.

LARGER COFFEE CUPS: In stock now at **\$25** each.

CHALLENGE COIN, 3-4 Cav Assn. Challenge coin, \$10.

CUPS BELOW also available at **\$25** each.



STONEWARE CERAMIC COFFEE MUGS: \$30.00 ea.

Note: If you want one of these, order now as they will soon be out of stock and will not be replaced.

POLO SHIRTS: Navy Blue with embroidered 4th Cavalry Crest, crossed sabers and Mackenzie's Raiders on left front. Cost \$35.00. S, M, L, XL, \$40.00 2X, 3X.

Get your name, unit & years served embroidered on the right side for just \$5.00 extra.

WRINKLE FREE POLYESTER POLOS Same description and prices as the ones above.



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MESH HAT: Black front, white rear, one size fits all. **\$30** or **\$35** with Troop designation.

FLEX FIT HAT: Black or Khaki with 3rd SQUADRON, 4th U.S. CAVALRY and Crest on the front and 3-4 Guidon on the rear. S/M fits 6 3/4 to 7 1/8. L/XL fits 7 3/8 to 7 & 3/4. **\$30** With Troop designation: **\$35**.

BELT BUCKLE: Enameled full-color 4th Cavalry crest on crossed sabers. This is the same buckle awarded each year to the top two Troopers in the Squadron. \$28.00 each.

T-SHIRT: Navy Blue T-Shirt with embroidered regimental crest on front. Get one for your grandkids. Cost **\$25** in S, M, L & XL. **\$30** for 2X, 3X.

T-SHIRT: Gray with 3rd Squadron, 4th U.S. Cavalry and 25th Infantry Division lettering, regimental crest and Tropic Lightning insignia on the front and crossed sabers on the back. Sizes S, M, L, XL are **\$25**. 2X and 3X are **\$30**.

REUNION T-SHIRTS with Barry Anderson design. Prices are the same: S, M, L, XL are **\$25**, 2X & 3X are **\$30**. **Note that there are two different shirts. When ordering, please specify which shirt you want by indicating the front side artwork.**



Shirt Fronts



Shirt Backs

T-SHIRTS: Gray with artworks by Barry Anderson on the front and back. Prices are **\$25** (M, L, XL), **\$30** (2X & 3X). **Images are shown in prior newsletters.**

SWEATSHIRTS: Navy Blue with embroidered 4th Cavalry Crest, crossed sabers and Mackenzie's Raiders on left front. Cost \$35.00. S, M, L, XL. \$40.00 2X, 3X.

3/4 CAV LICENSE PLATES: RESTOCKED. Cost is still \$15.00. In stock, but they go fast!

LICENSE PLATE BRACKETS: \$22 each.

Designate **Veteran** or **Vietnam Veteran** preference.

3-4 CAV CARDS - Color drawing of unit crest, crossed sabers, unit guidons on front cover. Old Bill on top of inside. Description of crest on back. Includes envelopes 25 for \$25.00, 10 for \$10.00, or 5 for \$5.00 (min order).

KOOZIE CUPS: Blue with the 3-4 crossed sabers. Priced to move at two for \$5.

WINDOW DECALS: Three for \$10.00



Purchase the book **“Centaur in Vietnam: Air Cavalry at War”** or lithographs “Mackenzie's Raiders” or “Centaur in Vietnam.” Proceeds help 3-4 CAV projects. Email cwburns@optonline.net or visit our website.

3/4 CAV Dues

Our association annual membership dues are **\$10**. Life membership is available for a single payment of **\$75**. Checks should be made out to 3-4 CAV Chapter and mailed to P.O. Box 24414, Lexington, Kentucky 40524-4414. You may also pay through our website, www.3-4cav.org by going to the site and clicking on **JOIN**. In either case, please mail us a copy of your DD-214 or other document to verify your service.

25th Infantry Division Association Dues

25th Infantry Division Association dues should be sent to P.O. Box 7, Flourtown, PA 19031-0007. Dues are age-based, so check their website, www.25thida.org for amounts. 25th IDA also requires documentation of service.

CHECKLIST: HAVE YOU.....

- X Registered for the reunion?**
- X Reserved your hotel room?**
- X Found a new member?**
- X Paid your dues?**
- X Notified us of your address change?**

3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry Reunion

Nashville

September 14-18, 2025

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION – AUGUST 15, 2025

Name: _____ Spouse/Friend: _____
 Name (s) as you prefer on your ID Tag(s) _____
 Names of Guests: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
 Troop: _____ Dates Served: _____ Special Limitations, Diets: _____
 Your E-Mail Address: _____ Is this your first Reunion? _____

	Price Per Person	X People		
REGISTRATION FEE	\$20.00	_____	=	\$ _____

ACTIVITY

Wednesday Night Banquet Buffet	\$40.00	_____	=	\$ _____
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The banquet buffet is the Hermitage Selection from the hotel's Military Reunion Menu: garden salad, baked chicken, herb roasted pork loin, mashed potatoes, green beans and fruit cobbler. Children and those with special diets should be able to select items from the dishes on offer.

Thursday Breakfast Buffet	FREE	_____		
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NOTE: The Chapter is responsible to the providers of services and goods based on participant counts. Therefore, the Chapter will refund 100% of Reunion meal fees paid, provided notice is received at least 30 days prior to the reunion. Between 15 and 29 days, the Chapter will refund 50%. If notice is received in 14 or less, no refund will be made except in cases where injury/illness or "Acts of God" prohibit attendance.

Donation to 3/4 CAV Reunion Operating Fund \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please send check or money order payable to 3/4 CAV Chapter (write reunion on memo line) and mail to:

Dave Cox, 13 Loma Linda Drive, Kerrville, Texas 78028
 Phone: (830) 895-1172 email: cox.a.34cav@gmail.com

3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment**REUNION AGENDA – 2025**

Last-minute changes will be announced / posted in the hospitality room.

Sunday, Sept. 14

Hospitality Room Open	1:00 PM - 11:45 PM
Registration - Hospitality Room	1:00 PM - ?
QM Store - Hospitality Room	1:00 PM - ?

Monday, Sept. 15

Hospitality Room Open	7:00 AM - 11:45 PM
Registration - HR	1:00 PM - 6:00 PM
QM Store - HR	10:00 AM - ?
Photography – HR	12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Icebreaker - Hospitality Room	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Tuesday, Sept. 16

Hospitality Room Open	7:00 AM - 11:45 PM
Memorial Service	9:00 AM - 9:45 AM
Business Meeting	10:00 AM - 10:45 AM
QM Store - HR	12:00 PM - ?
Registration - HR	1:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Photography – HR	1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, Sept. 17

Hospitality Room Open	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Registration - HR	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
QM Store - HR	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Banquet Reception	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Banquet	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Raffle - Banquet Hall	9:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Hospitality Room Open	10:00 PM - 11:45 PM

Thursday, Sept. 18

Farewell Breakfast Buffet	7:00 AM - 9:00 AM
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Entrance to the Grand Ol' Opry



Grand Ol' Opry Stage

OPRYLAND INFORMATION

The information that follows is compliments of Jerry Headley. If you click on any of the black boxes below, you will be taken to the official Opryland site. For those of you who wish to attend a performance, enjoy!



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