



Fellow Nighthawks,

We are less than four months away from our F-117 40th Anniversary Tribute from April 22-24 in Las Vegas at The Orleans Hotel & Casino. NOW IS THE TIME TO REGISTER! Your Board has worked tirelessly to ensure a memorable event at a beautiful property where you can rekindle old friendships and relive your days of participation in a program that transformed airpower as we know it. Our guest speaker slate of two retired 4-star generals, Joseph Ralston and David Goldfein, guarantee fascinating perspectives into the genesis, and sunset of, the ground-breaking Stealth Fighter program that all of us participated in and contributed to. Go to www.f117sfa.org, and click on 40th Anniversary to sign up.





All of the pictures from the previous four reunions are available at <https://www.f117sfa.org/media>

We are opening an order window for SFA merchandise for the entire month of February. You may order Stealth Fighter Association shirts or hats which will be delivered to you well before our Las Vegas event. You can look at available items at their website address listed **below**. Prices begin at around \$20 for polo shirts or hats (plus shipping), and we have been very satisfied with the quality of the items



received to date by Board members. Instructions for ordering are available on the 40th Anniversary Tribute Registration website under the "SFA Merchandise" section.

<https://sites.google.com/view/2022stealthfighteranniversary/home/sfa-merchandise>

As I said before, now is the time to register. It will both save you money and help us to plan better for YOUR event. We already have around 180 Nighthawks and their guests registered to attend, but we can do much better. Regarding signups, both the optional Nellis AFB tour and the golf tournament, have

limited remaining space and are filling up fast. Don't miss out if you think you may be interested in either of these two activities. Sign up now, then harass your fellow Nighthawks to join us! Personal engagement by YOU is the best tool our Board of nine volunteers has to get the word out and increase participation. You can see who's already signed up to attend by clicking on the red "6. CLICK HERE TO REGISTER" on the "ANNIVERSARY REGISTRATION" page of our 40th Anniversary Tribute Registration website, and scrolling down to the list titled, "CONTRIBUTORS."

Cancellation policies are available in detail on our registration website, but here are the high points:

- Discounted SFA room rates (\$36 weekday, \$70 weekend) will no longer be available after 20 March. The rates will probably balloon to \$200-\$300/night after this date!
- Cancel before 1 March to get 100% refund
- Cancel between 1 March and 1 April and receive a 50% refund
- Cancel after 1 April and receive no refund
- Late registration fees will be added beginning 13 April
- On-site registration is permitted if you show up last-minute, but it costs more both in terms of late registration fees and non-guaranteed room rates

Las Vegas is still very much open for business during these COVIDian times. Although the virus is still casting its shadow over all our lives, your Board, along with the Orleans, are taking every precaution to mitigate its reach into our event. For now, masks are required unless you're eating or drinking. There's a chance these restrictions will ebb along with the virus as we move into the spring. We are moving ahead with great determination to hold this Tribute as scheduled, through bi-weekly teleconferences and intense planning. Honestly, we're not getting any younger. We are an aging group, and there are a limited number of future opportunities to gather and relive our days associated with this remarkable program. Whether it was at Burbank, Tonopah, Palmdale, Nellis, Holloman, McClellan, or unnamed locations, you all have stories to retell, important relationships to rekindle, and remarkable memories to relive. Register now and join us in Las Vegas on 22-24 April 2022.

Rick "Seldom" Wright, President, Stealth Fighter Association

Joe "Haiji" Skaja, Vice President; Alex Odekerken, Secretary/Treasurer

And the Board: Bill Lake, Mark Dougherty, Phil McDaniel, Kent Burns, Jim Garlitz, and Tnle McCloskey



You and your guests are cordially invited to attend the F-117 Stealth Fighter 40th Anniversary Tribute: "Short Life, Long Shadow," sponsored by the Stealth Fighter Association and Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company.

**Join our guest speakers
General (Ret) Joseph Ralston
and
General (Ret) David Goldfein
at The Orleans Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada,
22-24 April 2022.**

To visit the event website and to register, visit
<https://sites.google.com/view/2022stealthfighteranniversary>
or scan the QR code.

Please spread the word to others who share your Nighthawk experience.

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BELOW WITH YOUR
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