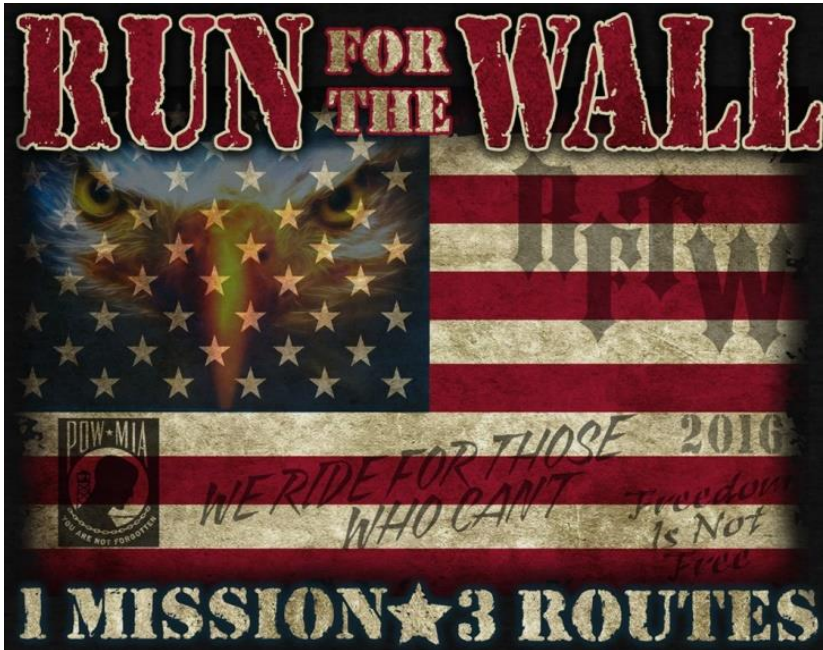


# RUN FOR THE WALL

**POW - MIA**  
**Prisoners of War - Missing in Action**  
**We Ride for Those Who Can't**

**RFTW XXVIII**  
**One Mission - Three Routes**



## **Southern Route**

**CA to Washington, DC**  
**May 18-28, 2016**

# Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

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## AMA DISCLAIMER STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

You have voluntarily entered an American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) sanctioned road-riding event. An AMA-sanction indicates that Run For The Wall (RFTW) is listed in the Association's official calendar and that AMA Recreational and Road Riding rules may be used as a guideline. It does not indicate that the facilities or course have been inspected or approved by the Association, nor does it indicate that RFTW officials have been trained or accredited by the Association, nor does it indicate that your safety has been warranted by an AMA authority or by RFTW.

To some extent, all motor vehicles are inherently dangerous. You should take part in this event based on your own assessment of your abilities. The route will traverse public highways and RFTW is not responsible for their condition or the actions of other individuals using the public highways. **Regardless of state law, the AMA and RFTW REQUIRE YOU TO WEAR A DOT APPROVED HELMET** and urge you to wear other appropriate safety apparel. The Association and RFTW also urge you to receive professional instruction before operating a motorcycle. RFTW does not provide medical insurance. We urge you not to operate a motorcycle without personal medical coverage.

### **If you:**

- have any doubts at this time about your personal ability to participate in this event, or
- have not adequately prepared yourself and your equipment, or
- question the condition and safety of local public highways, or
- believe your personal insurance coverages are not adequate to compensate you for any loss that might occur

### **Then we:**

Strongly and highly, encourage, urge, and recommend you withdraw from the event and notify the RFTW Registration Team and the Route Coordinator. RFTW will immediately refund your registration fee.



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I left home to Run For The Wall  
I rode my bike, but I was standing tall.  
I shed so many tears; there was still a deep well  
Crying for those who died, my brothers who fell.

I'm riding my motorcycle to try to make you understand  
Some of my brothers remain in that alien land.  
I'm yelling with anguish for those with no voice  
Left behind, with no freedom of choice.

My heart, My soul, will forever roam  
Until I know my brothers have been brought home.

Written by a Rainelle Student in 1999



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### HISTORY OF RUN FOR THE WALL

By James "Gunny" Gregory

In 1986, I rode my Wide Glide in the Los Angeles "Welcome Home" parade for Vietnam Veterans. I was the only biker, an active-duty Marine Corps Drill Instructor, and a Combat Vet. I met my Vietnam Fire Team Leader, Carl Rice, and visited the "moving wall" for the first time. Carl told me about live POWs left behind in Nam. I couldn't believe what he said, but he convinced me. He invited me to a breakfast Sunday morning to hear families talk about POW/MIAs. One of those speakers was Marion Shelton, the wife of Col. Charles Shelton...the last official Prisoner of War of the Vietnam War. That morning Marion enlisted several others and me into her army of POW/MIA supporters. She and Carl asked, "Can you help? What can the bikers do?"

Carl then walked from Los Angeles to Port Angeles, WA, (his home) along interstate highways carrying the POW/MIA flag. At that time, I was the Chairman of the Board of ABATE of California, President of San Diego ABATE, life member of HOG, AMA, VFW, American Legion, VVA and knew veterans and bikers all over the world. It was a time for action, but I had to retire from the Marine Corps first. About the same time, ABATE received a letter from Artie Muller and Ray Manzo, two Nam Vets planning a rally on Memorial Day weekend of 1988, using veteran bikers as their voice to the government. They called the rally ROLLING THUNDER, named after the B-52 strikes that rolled through Vietnam. Another Vietnam Vet, Bill Evans, came to my home and asked for help planning and conducting a motorcycle run to Washington, DC. I told him I had begun the planning already, so we agreed to "do it" together. Bill named this pilgrimage RUN FOR THE WALL! Another Nam Vet, Sam, and his wife, Margo, also joined our core group. We made up a black and yellow "Jane Fonda, American Traitor Bitch" patch, sold them through Easyriders magazine and started raising funds.

I flew to DC to meet with Artie, Ray, Col. Earl Hopper, a POW family member, and Top Holland, our local point of contact. We had a successful meeting, and firmed up plans for Rolling Thunder II. At breakfast, we learned that Philippine Communist guerrillas murdered Col. Nick Rowe, a former POW and Special Forces Officer. Top served with Col. Rowe and knew him well. In 1988, I was the S-4 and Safety Officer for 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn, RTR, MCRD, in San Diego. That meant I had to attend safety school at Indiana University, Bloomington, IN. I took my leave and travel time to recon the routes for Run For The Wall. I rode my bike eastbound on the southern route and returned via the middle route. Then a miracle happened.

Strangers and volunteers started calling and donating time, energy, food, and gas for these routes. Several vet groups, churches, and Motorcycle Rights Organizations were (and still are) the backbone of Run For The Wall.

In May 1989, Marion Shelton saw the first Run leave from San Diego with a local police escort. Bill and I were in the lead. However, before we reached Ontario, Bill lost some of his gear, blew a tire, and then blew his motor. He spent the rest of The Run in the back of a pick-up. Pete then came up and helped with the pack and mechanical needs. This was the first time anyone had ever tried to lead a pack of motorcycles across country. Everyone said we were crazy. About 115 bikes left San Diego the first year. Most turned back in Las Vegas, but about 15 went all the way.

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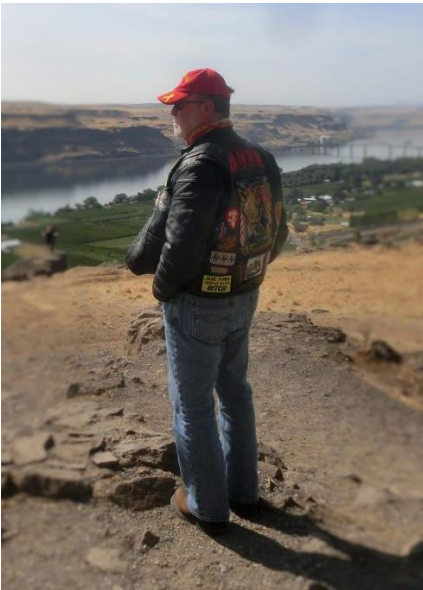
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In Kansas, veterans and bikers paid our way through the toll booths on the turnpike, causing us to take our own “special” route around pay stations. In Charleston, WV, I tried to explain to an official of the WV DOT how this worked, but he would not listen. Therefore, I made the decision along with Gary Wetzel, MOH, to take Hwy 60 through the mountains. This fateful decision introduced us to Rainelle, WV, one of the most patriotic communities in America and now one of the major highlights of Run For The Wall Central Route.

On Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, Run For the Wall accomplished its mission, arriving in Washington, DC, and walking to The Wall. The next day, Saturday, we laid a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. On Sunday, we helped lead Rolling Thunder with Gary Wetzel, Bill on Pete’s bike, and myself leading the pack. This was one of the proudest moments of my life.

*Thank you to everyone who has made  
Run For The Wall the Success it has become.*

**FREEDOM ISN'T FREE**  
**James “Gunny” Gregory**



# Welcome to Run For The Wall XXVIII

## “Keep The Faith”

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Southern Route Leadership, and myself, I'd like to welcome you to Run For The Wall, Southern Route 2016.

If you are joining us for the first time, we know you are about to experience something that defies explanation. This is a Mission that will touch your heart, mind, and soul. Like our friend “Dutch” always says, “This ain't your afternoon ride to the burger barn.”

Run For The Wall 2016 is the result of hundreds of volunteers putting in many hours to make this rolling coast-to-coast Mission happen. Nearly 200 riders serve in volunteer roles to get us to Washington, DC. Another 600 or so volunteers are working along the route, behind the scenes providing support. The volunteers that serve you with the Pack include Ambassadors, Chaplains, the Advance Team including the Stagers and Fuel Team, Leadership Support, Platoon Leadership, Merchandising, Registration, Road Guards, Outreach, Chase, and Hydration.

At each stop there are State Coordinators, law enforcement, fire departments, hotel staff, Veteran's groups, motorcycle clubs, students, teachers, and many others you may never see, providing support and encouragement. Along the way you will see that patriotism is alive and well in this great nation. As we roll along there will be donated meals, presentations, programs, and so much more. We ask that you honor their efforts with quiet attention during each of these events. Again this year, we've asked those hosting our meals to include donation jars. It's not required, but an opportunity to give back a little for what they do for us each year. By the way do not forget to thank them for what they have done for you.

Our Mission is to bring awareness to those POW/MIAs from all wars. The number of those still unaccounted for in Southeast Asia is about 1,622 according to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency. Of those missing, 1,269 are from Vietnam, 302 from Laos, 49 from Cambodia, and seven from the South China Sea. Nearly every month those who made the ultimate sacrifice are being identified and at last repatriated. Finally, brought home to the families who've waited far too long for an accounting. Riding with us are the sisters, brothers, and daughters of those still lost. They too are keeping the faith, that one day, their loved one will be brought home.

Every day we lose Veterans to diseases related to Agent Orange, Gulf War Syndrome, PTSD, and drug and alcohol abuse. Suicide among Veterans, even those who served decades ago, claims an estimated twenty-two Americans a day! Over the course of our ten day Run, that's 220 deaths from suicide. We need to spread the word among the Veteran Community - there are alternatives, there is help out there. Vet Centers, VA Hospitals (even with all the bureaucracy and red-tape), and crisis lines. Vet groups and associations, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Vietnam Veterans of America,

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and motorcycle clubs like Combat Vets MC, Green Knights Military MC, Military Veteran MC and so many more. We can help each other find a way out of the darkness. We can help each other Keep the Faith.

If you need help connecting to assistance for Vets, just ask anyone in leadership. At some of our stops we will be met by various Vet organizations, be sure and stop by to get some information on their resources.

This ride is extremely tough. It is physically demanding. Hot and dry, or cold and wet. Riding in formation, too little rest, too many emotions. Too far to go, but over too soon. You are ultimately responsible for your own safety, but know that we are here to help in any way we can. We have a Chaplain's Corps riding with us and they are available as needed - they wear white sleeves and OD green hats. The hydration team sets up at most stops offering cold donated water, energy drinks, and snacks. It is critical that you stay hydrated. As you gear up each day, check your bike and make sure everything is secure. Check the rider in front of you, too. FNGs (the fun new guys and gals) wear a button on their vest. This button signals the rest of us that you are along for the first time, and are allowed special privileges. Wear it proudly.



You have your own reasons for taking on this challenge. I encourage you to keep that in mind as we roll out. Watch and listen to the riders and supporters around you. See the respect for our Country and our Veterans. You will make new friends and meet like-minded folk. Things in your life will change. Each year riders begin

to heal from the pain and grief of war, long hidden deep in their soul. This Run brings those feelings to the surface. One rider experienced nightmares every night since he got home. The night he arrived in DC with the Run was the first time he slept through the night in over 40 years. Your fellow riders are here for you. Many of them have been where you are. Their love, respect, care, and hugs will rise up to meet you. The healing will begin.

Another generation of Veterans are returning from War. In some ways things are different now from the 60s and 70s, but many of the demons are all too familiar. Vietnam Vets stood up and said "NEVER AGAIN", "never again will one generation of Vets abandon another." On the morning of 18 May 2016 at 0745, we will start the longest Welcome Home Parade ever done. This will be your Welcome Home Parade, far too long in coming. We stand tall with the warriors from all conflicts, we continue to fight for all they deserve. We'll help them *Keep the Faith*.

**Keep The Faith,**

"ChickenJoe"

2016 Route Coordinator

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## Southern Route Team Leaders

Assistant Route Coordinator



Ray "Ghost Rider" Wyatt

Road Guard Cptn.



Lisa "Chrome Russell"

Advance Team Lead



Jim "Tail Light" Drift

Senior Chaplain



Gary "Shepherd" Burd

Ambassador Lead



Pete "Baron" Nolen

Platoon Coordinator



Bob "Cptn. America" Nelson

Merchandise Lead



Carol Olmstead

Honor Guard Coordinator



Mike "Wizard" Turner

Registration Lead



Shirley "Top Sarge" Scott

Missing Man Coordinator



"Flame"  
Jennifer Hudson Connors

ARC Mentor



James "Stoney" Stone

Finance Team Lead



"Not Airborne"  
Judy Wormmeester



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Here are a few important items to review:

When you register, you will be given a wristband, a RFTW lanyard with plastic case attached and various forms to fill out. Fill out the documents; place them in the plastic case and wear this around your neck at all times during the Run. Wear the wristband at all times: it is your identification and admission to our activities.

At registration, you will receive a bright plastic strip for RFTW Bike Identification. Tie this strip in a visible spot on the LEFT FRONT SIDE of your motorcycle: handle bar, fork, mirror stem, etc. Tie it tight and flat to prevent it from flying off.

There will be **NO** joining the Run “On-the-Fly”. Registration will be conducted in Ontario, CA the afternoon of May 16, morning and afternoon of May 17 and the beginning of May 18, before each morning departure, and at most evening stops. Unless otherwise noted, morning registration will be open at those times posted in the itinerary and will close 10 minutes before the start of each morning **MANDATORY** Daily Riders Meeting.

There will be **NO** use of alcohol or drugs while we are in route.

Remember: **This is a Mission, not a party.**

Note: **Helmets Are Mandatory on This Mission, NO EXCEPTIONS!**

A **MANDATORY RIDERS MEETING** is conducted daily. Before attending the morning meeting, you should have your gear packed, bike fueled, and ready for departure. Plan accordingly: remember this meeting is **MANDATORY EVERY DAY**. We will review the day’s events and discuss any last minute changes that may have occurred. Departure times are posted in the Daily Itinerary.

We honor our servicemen and women who are POW, MIA, or KIA by riding in a Missing Man Formation at the front of the Pack. An announcement will be made at the Morning Riders Meeting if slots are available. You can contact Jenniffer “Flame” Hudson Connors, Missing Man Coordinator, for placement on the standby list.

The order of march for travel will be: Missing Man Formation, Road Guards, Side by Side Bike Platoons, Staggered Bike Platoons, Bikes with trailers, Trikes with trailers, Trikes, Sidecars, and all CanAms, Chaplain Corps, RFTW Chase Vehicles 1 - 3, and Rear Road Guards. For the safety of the motorcycles, we request that all other participating vehicles do not travel with the Pack. Please drive either two miles ahead or behind the pack. This is for safety reasons.

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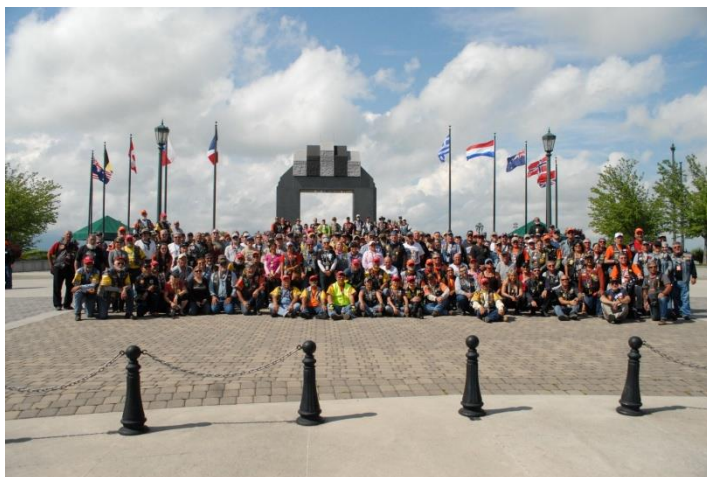
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**Notice: The RFTW Southern Route will traverse public roads and highways. RFTW is not responsible for the condition of these roads and highways, or for the behavior of or hazards caused by other individuals using public roads and highways. RFTW is not responsible for any changes in conditions of the course that may have occurred since it was selected. Each participant is solely responsible for the safety and successful operation of his/her vehicle during The Run.**

Our Road Guards help us along the route. It is their responsibility to provide guidance and direction to us and the general public. Please follow their instructions at all times. They are here to help us reach our destination with a minimum of inconvenience to the rest of the traveling public.

As we make our journey across this great land, please reflect on why you have chosen to join us. Be mindful of the RFTW Mission Statement:

- To promote healing among ALL veterans and their families and friends;
- To call for an accounting of all Prisoners of War and those Missing in Action (POW/MIA);
- To honor the memory of those Killed in Action (KIA) from all wars; and
- To support our military personnel all over the world.



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If you are able,  
save them a place inside of you and save one backward glance  
when you are leaving for the places they can  
no longer go.  
Be not ashamed to say you loved them,  
though you may or may not have always.  
Take what they have left  
and  
what they have taught you with their dying  
and keep it with your own.  
And in that time when men decide and feel safe  
to call the war insane,  
take one moment to embrace those gentle heroes  
you left behind.

Major Michael Davis O'Donnell  
1 January 1970  
Dak To, Vietnam

Michael Davis O'Donnell is on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Panel 12W Line 040.

## **Standard of Conduct Statement Run For The Wall Board of Directors**

All riders must remember that while participating for RFTW, they serve to represent the Veteran Community as a whole. As such they must control their behavior and emotions to the best of their ability. Altercations, either verbal or physical, cannot be tolerated. Extreme and /or repeated incidences of unruly or hostile behavior will be handled by the route coordinator and he / she will determine what actions need to be taken to ensure the integrity and safety of the Run, including potentially requiring an individual or individuals to terminate their participation.

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Day 1 "At A Glance" – May 18, 2016

**"Keep The Faith"**

**Host Hotel: Radisson-Ontario Airport**  
**2200 East Holt Blvd.,**  
**Ontario, CA**  
**(909) 975-5000**



**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn**  
**1500 N. 51st. Ave**  
**Phoenix, AZ**  
**(602) 484-9009**

Daily Stops:

- Ontario, CA – **Breakfast** and **Staging** next door to the Radisson Hotel,
- Coachella, CA – **Fuel & Go** – T/A Truck Stop  
Staging at Spotlight 29 Casino
- Blythe, CA – **Fuel & Go** – Mobil Station,  
**Lunch** at Colorado River Fairgrounds
- Tonapah, AZ – **Fuel** - Shell Truck Stop
- Phoenix, AZ – **Dinner** at Holiday Inn

**"The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it  
can never forget what they did here."  
President Lincoln – Gettysburg Address**

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<b>Day 1 – Wed – 5/18/16</b>						
Ontario, CA to Phoenix, AZ (I-10E)						
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>		
Check Point	Exit # -Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Breakfast & Staging at parking lot next to the Radisson Hotel <b>B</b>	E. Holt Blvd to I-10E				7:45a	
Coachella – T/A Truck Stop <b>F</b>	<b>146</b> - Dillon Rd 46155 Dillon Rd.	92	1:45	9:30a	9:45a	15mins
Coachella – Spotlight 29 Casino - Staging	46200 Harrison Rd.	1	:05	9:50a	10:25a	40mins
Blythe – Mobil Station <b>F</b>	<b>232</b> – Mesa Dr. 1900 E. Hobson Way	96	1:55	12:20p	12:35p	15mins
Blythe - Colorado River Fairgrounds <b>L</b>	591 Olive Lake Rd.	2	:05	12:40p	1:50p	70mins
Tonopah-Shell Station <b>F</b>	<b>94</b> - 411th Ave 41112 Indian School	98	1:55	3:45p	4:30p	45mins
Phoenix- Holiday Inn <b>D</b>	<b>139</b> - 51 <sup>st</sup> Ave	46	1:00	5:30p		
<b>Total Mileage 335</b>						

### **ITINERARY**

- 5:45 am – **Continental Breakfast & Staging** at parking lot next to the Radisson Hotel
- 5:45 am – 6:35 am – Registration at the parking lot next to the Radisson Hotel
- 6:45 am - All RFTW Riders Meeting, prayer, ceremonies and speeches - **MANDATORY**
- 7:20 am - Platoon Meetings – All riders **MANDATORY**
- 7:45 am - Depart Ontario for Coachella
- 9:30 am - **FUEL & Go** - Exit # 146 – T/A Truck Stop  
**Ride to Staging Location** - Spotlight 29 Casino, **MANDATORY** - **All** Riders Meeting
- 10:25 am - Depart Coachella for Blythe
- 12:20 pm – **FUEL & Go** - Exit # 232 – Mobil Station  
**Lunch** - Colorado River Fairgrounds
- 1:50 pm - Depart Fairgrounds for Tonopah
- 3:45 pm - **FUEL** - Exit # 94 - Shell Truck Stop
- 4:30 pm - Depart Tonopah for Phoenix
- 5:30 pm – Arrive Phoenix, Exit # 139 - Holiday Inn  
**Dinner** - at the Holiday Inn

#### **State Coordinators**

California – Shirley "TopSarge" Scott (805) 443-4373  
 Carol Olmstead (805) 368-7586  
 Arizona – Jim Reid (602) 499-6061

**"America without her Soldiers would be like God without His Angels."  
 Claudia Pemberton**

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Day 2 "At A Glance" – May 19, 2016

*"Keep The Faith"*

**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn**  
**1500 N 51<sup>st</sup> Ave**  
**Phoenix, AZ**  
**(602) 484-9009**



**Host Hotel: Ramada Inn**  
**201 E. University Ave.**  
**Las Cruces, NM**  
**(575) 526-4411**

### Daily Stops:

- Phoenix, AZ- **Breakfast & Staging** at Holiday Inn
- Marana, AZ – **Fuel** – Circle K Station
- Willcox, AZ – **Fuel & Go** – T/A Truck Stop  
**Lunch** at Elks Lodge
- Deming (Savoy), NM – **Fuel** – Savoy Truck Stop
- Las Cruces – **Dinner** at Barnett Harley Davidson

**"Build me a son, O Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak.  
And brave enough to face himself when he is afraid, one who will be proud and  
unbending in honest defeat, and humble and gentle in victory."**

**General Douglas MacArthur**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 2 - Thur - 5/19/16</b>						
Phoenix, AZ to Las Cruces, NM (I-10)				<b>(TIME CHANGE @ DEMING +1)</b>		
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>		
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Holiday Inn <span style="float: right;"><b>B</b></span>	51 <sup>st</sup> . Ave to I-10 E				7:00a	
Marana - Circle K <span style="float: right;"><b>F</b></span>	<b>236</b> -Sandario Rd 13961 N. Sandario Rd	97	2:00	9:00a	10:15a	75 Mins
Willcox - T/A Truck Stop <span style="float: right;"><b>F</b></span>	<b>340</b> -SR186 1501 Fort Grant Rd.	105	1:50	12:05p	12:20p	15mins
Willcox - Elks Lodge <span style="float: right;"><b>L</b></span>	247 E. Stewart	3	:05	12:25p	1:25p	60mins
Deming - Savoy Truck Stop <b>(Time Change)</b>	<b>68</b> -SR418 14150 NM 418	121	2:25	4:50p	5:35p	45 Mins
Las Cruces -Barnett HD <span style="float: right;"><b>D</b></span>	<b>140</b> -SR28 2600 Lakeside	72	1:20	6:55p		
<b>Total Mileage 398</b>						

### ITINERARY

- 5:45 – **Breakfast** at Holiday Inn
  - 6:00 – 6:30 am Registration Open at Holiday Inn
  - 6:30 – 6:40 am - **FNG Briefing – All New FNGs** at the sound trailer  
**MANDATORY**
  - 6:40 – 6:50 am –Platoon Meeting **MANDATORY**
  - 7:00 am - Depart Phoenix, AZ for Marana, AZ
  - 9:00 am - **FUEL** - Exit #236 Marana Freeway - Circle K Station
  - 9:30 - 10:00 am - Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.)
  - 10:15 am - Depart Marana for Willcox,
  - 12:05 pm – **FUEL & Go** - Exit #340 – T/A Truck Stop  
**Lunch** at Elks Lodge
  - 1:25 pm – Depart Willcox for Deming/Savoy
  - 4:50 pm – **FUEL** - Exit #68 - Savoy Truck Stop
  - **TIME CHANGE @ DEMING + 1 Hour Mountain Daylight Time**
  - 5:35 pm - Depart Deming for Las Cruces
  - 6:55 pm – Arrive Las Cruces, NM at Exit #140  
**Dinner** - at Barnett Harley Davidson
- End of Daily Activity**
- Barnett HD open for parts and service until 9:00 pm (575) 541-1440
  - Las Cruces Motorsports - open until 9:00 pm to service Hondas (575) 524-3626

### State Coordinators

Arizona - Jim Reid (602) 499-6061

New Mexico - Keelan Banks (575) 635-0065

**“Go into the world and do well. But more importantly go into the world and do good.”**

**Minor Myres Jr.**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

Day 3 “At A Glance” – May 20, 2016  
“Keep The Faith”

**Host Hotel: Ramada Inn**  
**201 E. University Ave,**  
**Las Cruces, NM**  
**(575) 526-4411**



**Host Hotel: Comfort Inn & Suites**  
**801 S. JBS Parkway,**  
**Odessa, TX**  
**(432) 332-0614**

### Daily Stops:

- Las Cruces, NM – **Breakfast** at American Legion Post 10.  
Wreath laying ceremony – Veterans Memorial Park
- Fabens, TX – **Fuel** – Fast Trak Travel Center
- Van Horn, TX – **Fuel & Go** – Chevron Truck Stop  
**Lunch** – Van Horn Convention Center
- Pecos, TX – **Fuel** – Stripes Fuel
- Odessa, TX – **Dinner** at American Legion Post 430

**“This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave.”**

**Elmer Davis**



## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 3 - Fri - 5/20/16</b>						
Las Cruces, NM to Odessa, TX (I-10/I-20)				<b>(TIME CHANGE @ VAN HORN +1)</b>		
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>		
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
American Legion 10 <b>B</b>	1185 E. Madrid Ave.				8:00a	
Veterans Memorial Park	2651 Roadrunner Parkway	4	:15	8:15a	9:00a	45 mins
Fabens – Fast Trak <b>F</b>	<b>49</b> – FM1110 1790 Fabens Road	76	1:35	10:35a	11:15a	40 mins
Van Horn – Chevron <b>Time Change</b>	<b>F 138</b> – Golf Course Rd	98	1:40	1:55p	<b>2:10p</b>	15 mins
Van Horn – Van Horn Convention Center <b>L</b>	1801 W. Broadway Blvd.	3	:10	2:20p	3:10p	50 min
Pecos - Stripes #2267 <b>F</b>	<b>42</b> -US285 4101 S. Cedar St	93	1:40	4:50p	5:30p	40 mins
Odessa	<b>120</b> -to JBS PKY	79	1:20	6:50p		
American Legion 430 <b>D</b>	2701 E. 8 <sup>th</sup> St	2	:05	6:55p		
<b>Total Mileage 343</b>						

### ITINERARY

- 6:00 am - **Breakfast** at American Legion Post 10
- 6:00 – 6:50am - Registration Open at American Legion Post 10
- 6:50 – 7:00 am - **FNG Briefing – All NEW FNGs** inside American Legion Hall.  
**MANDATORY**
- 7:00 - 7:30 am – Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.) **MANDATORY**
- 7:30 - 7:50 am - Platoon Meetings **MANDATORY**
- 8:00 am – Depart American Legion for Veterans Memorial Park
- Wreath Laying- RFTW Honor Guard
- 9:00 am - Depart Veterans Memorial Park for Fabens
- 10:35 am - **FUEL** - Exit #49 – Fast Trak
- 11:15 am - Depart Fabens for Van Horn
- 1:55 pm – **FUEL & Go** - Exit #138 - Chevron Truck Stop
- **TIME CHANGE at VAN HORN + 1 hr Central Daylight Time**
- **Lunch** - Van Horn Convention Center
- 3:10 pm - Depart Van Horn for Pecos
- 4:50 pm - **FUEL** - Exit #42 – Stripes #2267
- 5:30 pm - Depart Pecos for Odessa
- 6:50 pm – Arrive Odessa at Exit #120
- **Dinner** – at American Legion Post 430

### End of Daily Activity

**Unofficial:** Patriot Guard Riders night ride to Permian Basin Memorial site

### State Coordinators

West Texas - Pastor Bobby Garcia (915) 667-0617  
Central Texas - Diann “Mojo” McKee (432) 368-1822

**“Courage is fear holding on a minute longer.” General George S. Patton**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

Day 4 "At A Glance" – May 21, 2016

*"Keep The Faith"*

**Host Hotel: Comfort Inn & Suites**  
**801 S. JBS Parkway,**  
**Odessa, TX**  
**(432) 332-0614**



**Host Hotel: Comfort Suites**  
**2504 W. I-20,**  
**Grand Prairie, TX**  
**(214) 412-1022**

### Daily Stops:

- Odessa, TX – **Breakfast** at American Legion Post 430
- Midland, TX - Flag Raising/Wreath Laying Ceremony – Permian Basin Memorial
- Big Spring - Wreath Laying Ceremony – Big Spring Memorial
- Colorado City, TX – **Fuel, Stage & Go** – **Lunch** at Railhead Building
- Cisco, TX – **Fuel** - Allsup's
- Grand Prairie, TX - **Dinner** at Dubiski Career High School

**"It was my duty to shoot the enemy, and I don't regret it. My regrets are for the people I couldn't save: Marines, soldiers, buddies. I'm not naive, and I don't romanticize war. The worst moments of my life have come as a SEAL. But I can stand before God with a clear conscience about doing my job."**

**Chris Kyle**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 4 - Sat - 5/21/16</b>						
Odessa, TX to Grand Prairie, TX (I-20)						
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>		
Check Point	Exit# -Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
American Legion Post 430 <b>B</b>	2701 E 8 <sup>th</sup>				7:45a	
Midland - Permian Basin Memorial	I-20 BI 9600 Wright Dr.	10	:20	8:05a	8:45a	40mins
Big Spring Veterans Memorial	<b>174</b> -Bus 20 Rackley & Sword	53	1:10	9:55a	10:35a	40mins
Colorado City – Stripes <b>F</b>	<b>216</b> -SR 208	41	:50	11:25a	11:50a	25 mins
Colorado City – Railhead Building <b>L</b>	East 1st & Elm	2	:10	12:00p	1:25	75mins
Cisco - Allsups <b>F</b>	<b>332</b> -US183 I-20 & Hwy 183	116	2:25	3:50p	4:30p	40mins
Grand Prairie – Dubiski Career High School <b>D</b>	<b>455B</b> - TX161 2990 Texas 161	125	2:25	6:55p		
<b>Total Mileage 351</b>						

### ITINERARY

- 6:00 am - **Breakfast** at American Legion Post 430
  - 6:00 - 6:50 am - Registration Open
  - 6:50 - 7:00 am - **FNG Briefing – All New FNGs** in American Legion Hall.  
**MANDATORY**
  - 7:00 - 7:20 am – Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.)  
**MANDATORY**
  - 7:20 - 7:35 am - Platoon Meetings **MANDATORY**
  - 7:45 am - Depart Am. Legion for Permian Basin Memorial
  - Flag Raising / Wreath Laying Ceremony - RFTW Honor Guard
  - 8:05 am – Arrive Permian Basin Memorial
  - 8:45 am - Depart Memorial for Big Spring Memorial
  - Wreath Laying Ceremony – RFTW Honor Guard
  - 9:55 am - Arrive Big Spring Memorial - Exit #174
  - 10:35 am – Depart Big Spring for Colorado City
  - 11:25 am – **FUEL, Stage & Go** - Exit #216, Stripes #254
  - **Re-stage after refueling for parade to Railhead Building & Lunch**
  - 1:25 pm - Depart downtown Colorado City for Cisco
  - 3:50 pm - **FUEL** - Exit #332, Allsups
  - 4:25 pm - Depart Cisco for Grand Prairie
  - 6:55 pm - Arrive Grand Prairie - Exit #455B
- Dinner**– at Dubiski Career High School

Longhorn HD will stay open till 7pm for service 2810 W. I-20 (972) 988-1903

#### State Coordinators

Central Texas - Diann "Mojo" McKee (432) 368-1822

East Texas - Mary Ann & Leo Hand (214) 577-9974 / Cynthia Gurganus (903) 235-9079

**"Do your duty in all things. You cannot do more, you should never wish to do less." General Robert E. Lee**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

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Day 5 “At A Glance” – May 22, 2016

**“Keep The Faith”**

**Host Hotel: Comfort Suites  
2504 W. I-20,  
Grand Prairie, TX  
(214) 412-1022**



**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites  
5100 Frontage Road,  
Monroe, LA  
(318) 387-5100**

### Daily Stops:

- Grand Prairie, TX – Non-Denominational Church Service, **Limited Continental Breakfast** or **YOYO**
- Terrell, TX – **Fuel** - Brookshire's Chevron
- Longview, TX – **Fuel & Go** – Exxon Station  
**Lunch** at Fairgrounds
- Minden, LA – **Fuel** - Quick-Draw Casino
- Monroe, LA -**Dinner** at Shriner's Hall

**“The band of brothers has become more family centric;  
we now recognize we have sisters too.” Unknown**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 5 - Sun - 5/22/16</b>						
Grand Prairie, TX to Monroe, LA (I-20/Hwy31/L281/I20)						
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>		
CheckPoint	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Wal-Mart Super Center <b>B</b>	2225 W I-20				8:00a	
Terrell – Chevron <b>F/S</b>	<b>489</b> - FM148 1400 W. Moore Ave	47	1:00	9:00a	9:45a	45mins
Longview – Exxon <b>F</b>	<b>589B</b> - TX31-L281 4108 W. Loop 281	99	1:50	11:35a	11:50a	15mins
Longview – Fairgrounds <b>L</b>	1123 Jaycee Dr.	2	:05	11:55a	1:05p	70mins
Minden – Quick Draw Casino <b>F</b>	<b>49</b> –LA 531 1703 State Rd 531	104	2:00	3:05p	3:45p	40mins
Monroe-Shriner’s Hall <b>D</b>	<b>120</b> - to Garret Rd 6620 Frontage Rd	76	1:20	5:15p		
<b>Total Mileage 326</b>						

### **ITINERARY**

**Limited Continental Breakfast** at Walmart Supercenter Parking lot

- 6:00-6:40 am - Registration Open – Wal-Mart Super Center
  - 6:30-7:00 am - **Non-Denominational Church Service** – Wal-Mart Super Center
  - 7:05–7:15 am – **FNG Briefing – All New FNGs** at the sound trailer. **MANDATORY**
  - 7:15-7:40 am – Riders Meeting (Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.) **MANDATORY**
  - 7:40-7:55 am - Platoon Meetings **MANDATORY**
  - 8:00 am - Depart Grand Prairie for Terrell
  - 9:00 am - **FUEL** – Exit #498, Brookshire’s Chevron - Snacks,
  - 9:45 am - Depart Terrell for Longview
  - 1:05 pm – **FUEL & Go Exit #589B (left descending turn)** Exxon
  - **Lunch** - at Longview Fairgrounds
  - 1:05 pm - Depart Longview for Minden
  - 3:05 pm - **FUEL** - Exit #49, Quick-Draw Casino
  - 3:45 pm - Depart Minden for Monroe,
  - 5:15 pm - Arrive Monroe – Exit #120, Garrett Rd, **(Tricky Exit)**
- Dinner** - at Shriner’s Hall

#### **State Coordinators**

East Texas – Mary Ann & Leo Hand (214) 577-9974

Cynthia Gurganus (903) 235-9079 & Ben Gurganus (903) 452-3324

Louisiana – Angela Fry (318) 376-9353

**“When you know who you are; when your mission is clear and you burn with the inner fire of unbreakable will; no cold can touch your heart; no deluge can dampen your purpose.**

**You know that you are alive.”**

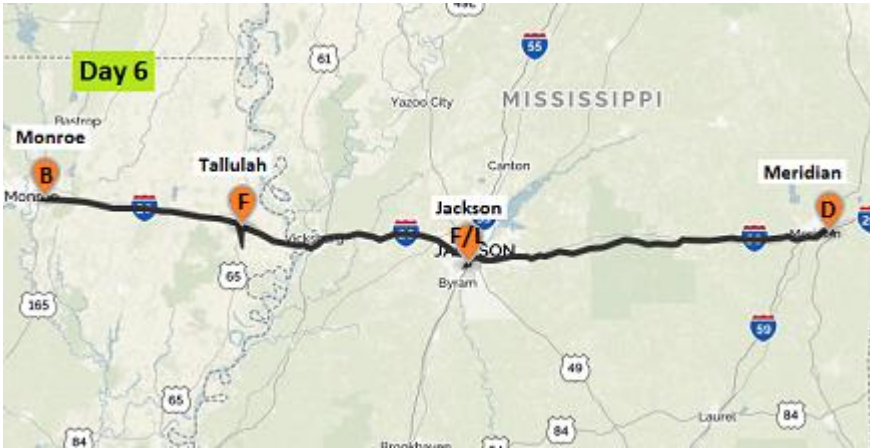
**Chief Seattle**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

Day 6 "At A Glance" – May 23, 2016

**"Keep The Faith"**

**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn and Suites**  
**5100 Frontage Road**  
**Monroe, LA**  
**(318) 343-6910**



**Host Hotel: Super 8**  
**124 Hwy 11 & 80 E.,**  
**Meridian, MS**  
**(601) 482-8088**

### Daily Stops:

- **Breakfast** - Sam's Club Parking Lot
- Monroe, LA – Monroe City Hall – Wreath Laying Ceremony.
- Tallulah, LA – **Fuel** – Love's Truck Stop
- Jackson, MS – **Fuel & Stage** – Shell Exit #90A
- **Lunch** at Harley Davidson of Jackson
- Meridian, MS – **Dinner** at Lauderdale County Agri. Center

**"As young West Point cadets, our motto was 'duty, honor, country.' But it was in the field from the rice paddies of Southeast Asia to the sands of the Middle East, that I learned the motto's fullest meaning. There I saw gallant young Americans of every race, creed and background fight, and sometimes die, for 'duty, honor, and their country'."**

**General Norman Schwarzkopf**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 6 - Mon - 5/23/16</b>						
Monroe, LA to Meridian, MS (I-20/I-55/I-20)						
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>		
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Sam's Club Parking Lot <span style="float: right;"><b>B</b></span>	5400 Frontage Rd				8:00a	
Monroe City Hall - Wreath	<b>117C</b> 401 Lea Joyner	4	:15	8:15a	9:05a	50mins
Tallulah-Love's Truck Stop <span style="float: right;"><b>F</b></span>	<b>171</b> -US65 227 US 65	56	1:10	10:15a	10:55a	40mins
Jackson - Fuel - Shell Harley Davidson of Jackson <span style="float: right;"><b>F/L</b></span>	<b>I55 S.</b> <b>90A</b> -Savanna St 450 Daniel Lake Blvd	66	1:20	12:15p	3:15p	3 hrs
Meridian-Agri. Pavilion <span style="float: right;"><b>D</b></span>	<b>154A</b> - MS19 <b>1022 Hwy 19S</b>	100	1:50	5:05p		
<b>Total Mileage 227</b>						

### ITINERARY

#### **Breakfast** – Sam's Club Parking Lot

- 6:00 – 6:50 am - Registration Open, Sam's Club Parking Lot
- 6:50 – 7:00am– **FNG Briefing - All New FNGs** at the sound trailer  
**MANDATORY**
- 7:00 - 7:30 am – Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.)  
**MANDATORY**
- 7:30 - 7:50 am - Platoon Meetings **MANDATORY**
- 8:00 am - Depart Sam's for Monroe City Hall
- 8:20 am Wreath Laying Ceremony at City Hall RFTW Honor Guard
- 9:05 am – Depart City Hall for Tallulah
- 10:15 am - **FUEL** - Exit #171, Love's Truck Stop
- 10:55 am - Depart Tallulah for Jackson
- 12:15 pm – **Fuel & Stage** – Exit 90A, Shell Station  
**IMPORTANT** – Follow Stagers instructions for parking at HD Jackson
- **Lunch & Ceremony**, Trail of Honor Provided by Harley Davidson of Jackson  
**LIMITED** Motorcycle Service available – (601) 372-5770
- 3:15 pm – Depart Jackson for Meridian
- 5:05 pm – Arrive Meridian, MS Exit #154A , MS 19S  
**Dinner** – at Lauderdale County Ag Pavilion

#### State Coordinators

Louisiana – Angela Fry (318) 376-9353  
Mississippi - Don "Papa Bear" Stringer (601) 940-4289

**"The patriot blood of my Father was warm in my veins."  
Clara Barton**





## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 7 - Tue - 5/24/16</b>						
Meridian, MS to Chattanooga, TN (I-20/I-459/I-59/ I-24/I-75)				<b>(TIME CHANGE@CHATT +1)</b>		
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>		
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Meridian – Ag. Pavilion	<b>B</b>	1022 Hwy 19S			8:00	
Tuscaloosa – Pilot Fuel Stop	<b>F</b>	<b>76</b> - US11 4416 Skyland Blvd F	92	1:40	9:40a	10:25a 45mins
Tuscaloosa - Tuscaloosa VAMC	<b>L</b>	3700 Loop Rd.	5	:10	10:40a	11:40a 60mins
Ashville - Piggly Wiggly Fuel Express	<b>F/S</b>	<b>166</b> - US231 35771 US 231	100	1:55	2:10p	3:10p 60 mins
Chattanooga-Thunder Creek Harley Davidson	<b>D</b>	<b>7B</b> – Bonny Oaks 7720 Lee Highway	120	2:30	6:40p	
<b>(TIME CHG)</b>						
<b>Total Mileage 319</b>						

### ITINERARY

#### **Breakfast** at Agricultural Pavilion

- 6:00 – 6:50 am - Registration Open
- 6:50 – 7:00am – **FNG Briefing – All New FNGs** in the Ag Pavilion. **MANDATORY**
- 7:00 - 7:30 am – Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.) **MANDATORY**
- 7:30 - 7:50 am - Platoon Meetings **MANDATORY**
- 8:00 am - Depart Meridian for Tuscaloosa
- 10:00 am - **FUEL** - Exit #76, Pilot Truck Stop
- 11:00 am - **Lunch** – Escort to Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center
- 12:15 pm - Depart Tuscaloosa for Ashville, I-20E/I-459 Birmingham/I-59N
- 2:10pm – **FUEL & Snacks** - Exit#166, Hwy231 to PigglyWigglyFuelExpress
- **Snacks - Thunder at the Pig** - Under the trees
- 3:10 pm - Depart Ashville for Chattanooga
- 6:40 pm - Arrive Chattanooga - Exit#7B BonnyOaks
- **Time Change +1hr Eastern Daylight Time**
- **Dinner** – Thunder Creek Harley Davidson

#### State Coordinators

MS - Don "Papa Bear" Stringer (601) 940-4289  
 AL - Tommy "Ogre" Holditch (205) 826-6641  
 Chattanooga - Joe Duncan (706) 618-5149

**“Surround yourself with the best people you can find, delegate authority, and don’t interfere as long as the policy you’ve decided upon is being carried out.” President Ronald Reagan**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

Day 8 "At A Glance" – May 25, 2016

*"Keep The Faith"*

**Host Hotel: Best Western Heritage Inn**  
**7641 Lee Hwy,**  
**Chattanooga, TN**  
**(423) 899-3311**



**Host Hotel: La Quinta Inn**  
**1800 East Main St,**  
**Wytheville, VA**  
**(276) 228-7400**

### Daily Stops:

- Chattanooga, TN – **Breakfast** at Thunder Creek Harley Davidson
  - Wreath Laying at Confederate Cemetery next to Thunder Creek Harley Davidson
- Knoxville, TN – **Fuel** – T/A Truck Stop
  - Coffee and Donuts** in the Parking Lot
- Greeneville, TN – **Fuel** – Davy Crockett T/A.
- Bristol, VA – **Lunch** at Black Wolf Harley Davidson
- Wytheville, VA – Ceremony at Memorial Park
  - Dinner** at the Moose Lodge

**"But there comes a time when soft power or talking with evil will not work where, unfortunately, hard power is the only thing that works."**  
**Secretary of State Colin Powell**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 8 - Wed - 5/25/16</b>						
Chattanooga, TN to Wytheville, VA (I-75/I-40/I-81)						
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase1: 850-736-7073</b>		
Check Point	<u>Exit#-Road</u>	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Thunder Creek Harley Davidson <b>B</b>	7720 Lee Hwy Confederate Cemetery				8:30a	
Knoxville-T/ATruckStop <b>F</b>	<b>369</b> - Watt Rd 615 Watt Rd	79	1:25	10:00a	10:50a	50 mins
Greeneville - Davy Crocket T/A <b>F</b>	<b>36</b> - Van Hill Rd. 1950 Van Hill Rd	89	1:45	12:35p	1:20p	45 mins
Bristol-Black Wolf Harley Davidson <b>L</b>	<b>5</b> - Lee Hwy 1061 Old Abingdon Hwy	46	:50	2:15p	3:30p	75 mins
Wytheville-Memorial Park	<b>70</b> - US21 290 W. Spiller St.	66	1:10	4:45p		60 mins
<b>Moose Lodge- Dinner</b>	<b>1350 W. Main St</b>			<b>6:30pm</b>		
<b>Total Mileage 285</b>						

### ITINERARY

**Breakfast** at Thunder Creek Harley Davidson

- 6:00 – 6:50 am - Registration Open & Staging at Thunder Creek Harley Davidson
- 6:50 – 7:00 am – **FNG Briefing–All New FNGs** at the sound trailer. **MANDATORY**
- 7:00 - 7:30 am – Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.) **MANDATORY**
- 7:40 - Wreath Laying at Confederate Cemetery (next to HD)- RFTW Honor Guard
- 8:10 – 8:25 am - Platoon Meetings **MANDATORY**
- 8:30 am - Depart Chattanooga for Knoxville
- 10:00 am - **FUEL** - Exit #369, T/A Truck Stop
- **Snacks and coffee in the Parking Lot**
- 10:50 am - Depart Knoxville for Greeneville
- 12:35 pm - **FUEL & Go** – Exit #36, Davy Crockett T/A
- 1:20 pm – Depart Greeneville for Bristol
- 2:15 pm - **Lunch** – at Black Wolf Harley Davidson
- 3:30 pm - Depart Bristol for Wytheville
- 4:45 pm – Arrive Wytheville - Exit #70 – Welcome Ceremony, Memorial Park
- 6:30 pm – Dinner at Moose Lodge

**Quick Check in at hotels then leave for Dinner and Awards**

**Black Bear Harley Davidson** (866) 427-5395 or (276) 228-9000 will provide shuttle services to and from the Moose Lodge for riders having bikes serviced/repaired  
**Mark 4 Honda** (276) 228-3118 open until 5:30 pm  
**Hill Top Cycle (Victory) Polaris** (276) 228-7001

#### State Coordinator

TN – Clyde “Rock” Luttrell (865) 435-4305  
 VA – Brandon Ayers (276) 730-4104

**“We can’t all be Washingtons, but we can all be patriots.”  
 Charles F. Browne**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

Day 9 "At A Glance" – May 26, 2016

*"Keep The Faith"*

**Host Hotel: La Quinta Inns**  
**1800 East Main St,**  
**Wytheville, VA**  
**(276) 228-7400**



**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites**  
**3600 Liberty Mountain Rd,**  
**Lynchburg, VA**  
**(434) 608-1224**

Daily Stops:

- Wytheville, VA – **Breakfast** at Memorial Park and Spiller Elementary Program by Children of Wytheville and Wreath Laying - RFTW Honor Guard Ceremony
- Montvale, VA – **Fuel** – Exxon Station  
Montvale, VA – Program and **Lunch** Montvale Elementary School
- Bedford, VA - D-Day Memorial - Wreath Laying Ceremony - RFTW Honor Guard
- Lynchburg, VA – **Dinner** at Harley Davidson of Lynchburg

**"The nation which forgets its defenders will be itself forgotten."  
Calvin Coolidge**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

### Day 9 - Thur - 5/26/15

Wytheville, VA to Lynchburg, VA (I-81/Alt. 220/460/Timberlake Dr.)

**Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073**

**Chase 1: 850-736-7073**

CheckPoint	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Memorial Park <b>B</b>	290 W. Spiller St				10:00a	
Montvale Exxon <b>F</b>	<b>150A</b> -US220Alt. 11268 W. Lynchburg Salem Tpke	95	1:55	11:55a	12:20p	25 mins
Montvale Elem. School <b>L</b>	1 Little Patriot Dr.	2	:05	12:25p	2:10p	1 hr. 45 mins
D-Day Memorial	HWY 122 3 Overlord Circle	13	:25	2:35p	4:20p	1 hr. 45 mins
Harley Davidson of Lynchburg <b>D</b>	20453 Timberlake	20	:30	4:50p		
<b>Total Mileage 130</b>						

### ITINERARY

**Continental Breakfast & Staging at Memorial Park plus Breakfast at Spiller Elem.**

- 6:00–6:50 am - Registration Open
- 6:50 – 7:00 am – **FNG Briefing – All New FNGs at the Park Stage**  
**MANDATORY**
- 7:00-7:30 am–Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Raffle, etc.) **MANDATORY**
- 7:30-7:50 am - Platoon Meetings - **MANDATORY**
- 8:00 am - Program by the children of Wytheville,  
**Wreath Laying Ceremony** at Memorial Park RFTW Honor Guard
- 10:00 am - Depart Memorial Park for Montvale
- 11:55 am - **FUEL** - Exit #150A to Hwy 460E. Montvale Exxon Station
- 12:45 pm - **Lunch & Program** at Montvale Elementary School
- 2:30 pm - Depart for D-Day Memorial
- 3:00 pm – Arrive D-Day Memorial  
Wreath Laying Ceremony RFTW Honor Guard  
Southern Route Group Photograph
- 4:30 pm – Depart D-Day Memorial for Lynchburg
- 5:00 pm - Arrive Harley Davidson of Lynchburg  
**Dinner** at Harley Davidson of Lynchburg

**Harley Davidson of Lynchburg 434-237-2381 will be open late for service.  
Call ahead if possible for appointment.**

State Coordinator  
VA – Brandon Ayers (276) 730-4104

**It does not require many words to speak the truth.”  
Chief Joseph**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

Day 10 “At A Glance” – May 27, 2016  
“Keep The Faith”

**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites**  
**3600 Liberty Mountain Rd,**  
**Lynchburg, VA**  
**(434) 608-1224**



**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Arlington**  
**4610 N Fairfax Dr.**  
**Arlington, VA**  
**(703) 243-9800**

Daily Stops:

- Lynchburg, VA – **Breakfast** at the Tree of Life Ministries
- Staunton, VA - **Fuel** – Sheetz Station
- Front Royal, VA – **Fuel** – Sunoco
- **Quick Lunch** at Holiday Inn Parking Lot
- Arlington, VA – **RFTW arrival** at DC Host Hotel – Holiday Inn

**“The Bible says the angels of heaven are God’s army;  
When you stand in Arlington, you know God has a damn good  
one.” Anonymous**

## Southern Route XXVIII – Daily Itinerary

<b>Day 10 – Fri – 5/27/16</b>							
Lynchburg, VA to Arlington, VA (Hwy 29/I64/I81/I-66)							
<b>Emergency Phone: 850-736-7073</b>				<b>Chase 1: 850-736-7073</b>			
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS	
<b>All 4 wheelers Depart</b>	2812 Greenview Dr.				6:30a		
Lynchburg - Tree of Life Min. <b>B</b>	2812 Greenview Dr.				7:00a		
Staunton – Sheetz <b>F</b>	<b>222</b> – Richmond Ave 1250 Richmond Ave	106	2:15	9:15a	9:55a	40 mins	
Front Royal – Sunoco <b>F</b>	<b>6</b> – Hwy 340 8002 Winchester Rd.	88	1:40	11:35a	11:50a	15 mins	
Front Royal – Holiday Inn <b>L</b>	111 Hospitality Dr.	1	:05	11:55a	12:50p	55mins	
<b>Arlington – Holiday Inn Ballston</b>	<b>71</b> -Fairfax Dr. 4610 N. Fairfax Dr.	67	1:20	2:10p			
	<b>Total Mileage 262</b>						

### Itinerary

- 4:45 am – **Breakfast** at Tree of Life Ministries
  - 4:45am - 5:35 am – Final Registration Open
  - 5:35 am – 5:45 am – **FNG Briefing – All New FNGs** Tree of Life Sanctuary  
**MANDATORY**
  - 5:45 am – Riders Meeting & Awards Ceremony, Tree of Life Ministries–  
**MANDATORY**
  - 6:30 am - 4-Wheelers Departure
  - 6:45 am - Platoon Meetings – **MANDATORY**
  - 7:00 am - Depart Tree of Life Ministries
  - 9:15 am – **FUEL** - Sheetz Station
  - 9:55 am - Depart Staunton for Front Royal
  - 11:35 am - **FUEL** - Exit #6, Sunoco
  - **Lunch** – at Holiday Inn Parking Lot
  - 12:50 pm - Depart Front Royal for Arlington
  - 2:10 pm – RFTW at DC Host Hotel - Exit #71 Glebe Rd
- Quickly park, register, then move your bike out of Parking/Staging Area Limited Space**

### End of Daily Activity

**Unofficial:** Ride to Rolling Thunder Candlelight Service Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

### **DC Area Coordinator**

Jim Staub (719) 337-2032

**“We sleep safely at night because rough men stand ready to visit violence on those who would harm us.” Winston S. Churchill**

## Outreach Missions

Day 2: Marana, AZ  
Mid-Morning  
Arizona Veterans Memorial  
Cemetery  
**Limited to Ambassadors only**

Day 2: Van Horn, TX  
Mid-Day  
Van Horn Veteran Memorial  
Wreath Laying –  
**RFTW Honor Guard**

Day 3: Pecos, TX  
Mid-Day/Afternoon  
Visit CWO Johnny Mata  
Memorial KIA Iraq  
**Limited to 16 Riders**

Day 3: Odessa, TX  
Evening Ride  
Permian Basin Memorial  
**UNOFFICIAL – Patriot Guard  
Riders Sponsored, Unlimited  
riders, Comfort Inn & Suites.  
KSU 8:30 pm**

Day 4: Odessa TX  
Early Morning  
Wreath Laying for MoH  
recipients:  
SSgt Marvin R. Young, USA  
KIA Vietnam 5/11/47 - 8/21/68  
PFC Alfred M. Wilson, USMC  
KIA Vietnam 1/13/48 - 3/3/69  
**Limited to Ambassadors only**

Day 4: Mineral Wells, TX  
Afternoon  
The National Vietnam War  
Museum  
Wreath Laying - RFTW Honor  
Guard  
**Limited to 40 riders**

Day 5: Canton, Texas  
Mid-Morning  
Van Zandt Veterans Memorial  
Wreath Laying – RFTW Honor  
Guard  
**Limited to 20 - 40 riders**

Day 5: Tyler, Texas  
Mid-Morning  
Watkins-Logan Texas State  
Veterans Home  
Visit and lunch with Veterans  
**Limited to Ambassadors only**

Day 6: Bastrop, LA  
Morning  
LTC James Wayne “Gabby”  
Gates memorial  
**Limited to 16 riders**

Day 6: Newton, MS  
Afternoon  
Mississippi Veterans Cemetery  
Wreath Laying – RFTW Honor  
Guard  
**Limited to Advance Team**

Day 7: Dalton, GA  
All Day  
Major Bobby Melvin Jones MIA  
**Limited to 16 Riders**

Day 9: Salem, VA  
Afternoon  
Veterans Medical Center  
Visit  
**Limited to 40 Riders**

Day 10: Washington DC  
Evening **UNOFFICIAL**  
**Rolling Thunder Candlelight  
Service**  
Stage at Host Hotel 19:30  
Depart for The Wall 19:45  
**Open to ALL Riders.**



## Standard of Conduct Statement Run For The Wall Board of Directors

All riders must remember that while participating for RFTW, they serve to represent the Veteran Community as a whole. As such they must control their behavior and emotions to the best of their ability. Altercations, either verbal or physical, cannot be tolerated. Extreme and /or repeated incidences of unruly or hostile behavior will be handled by the route coordinator and he / she will determine what actions need to be taken to ensure the integrity and safety of the Run, including potentially requiring an individual or individuals to terminate their participation.

### SATURDAY MAY 28, 2016

(Central Route Road Guards Lead)

- **9:45 am – FNGs to Arlington National Cemetery Staging**
- (Limit 400 motorcycles)
- Staging area TBD
- **Road Guards will control entry into the staging area**
- **10:30 am – FNGs depart to Arlington National Cemetery**
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### **REMEMBER!**

**ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY IS HALLOWED GROUND. PLEASE RESPECT IT AS SUCH. KEEP THE NOISE LEVEL OF YOUR MOTORCYCLE AND CONVERSATION LEVELS LOW. NO CELL PHONE USE. POLICE YOUR AREA BEFORE DEPARTING.**



**1:50 pm – ALL RFTW Riders assemble at Lincoln Memorial for RFTW Group Photo**

**2:00 pm** – RFTW Group Photo, Please follow photographer's instructions.

**2:30 pm – RFTW Mission Accomplished Plaque Presentation** at the Vietnam Memorial Wall.

**6:00 pm** – Dinner donated at Arlington Assembly of God for those camping and those wishing to attend. However, this is not an RFTW Event. – R on Fairfax, R on Glebe, R to 4501 N Pershing Drive, Arlington, VA – 8 blocks from the Holiday Inn.

### SUNDAY MAY 29, 2016

(Southern Route Road Guards Lead)

**6:00 am – Rolling Thunder Participants**

Staging area Holiday Inn. Bring cameras, lots of water and snacks.

**6:30 am – Rolling Thunder Participants Depart** for the Pentagon North Parking Lot (staging for Rolling Thunder "Ride for Freedom")

**NOON – Rolling Thunder Demonstration "Ride For Freedom"**



**Thank You, Supporters For Your Donations.**

**Day 1 Wednesday**

**Coachella** – Spotlight 29 Casino – Bottled Water

- Blythe** - Citizens of Blythe – Lunch
- Blythe Police Department – Escort Support
  - Blythe Fire Department – Escort Support
  - Riverside County Sheriff – Escort Support
  - California Highway Patrol – Escort Support
  - U.S Border Patrol – Escort Support
  - Desert Air Ambulance – Support
  - Diane McDougal – Point of Contact Support
  - Colorado River Fairgrounds – Lunch Location
  - River Breeze RV Park - Lunch Location
  - Sizzler - Lunch
  - VFW Post 2987 – Lunch
  - VFW Auxiliary Post 2987 – Lunch
  - Mobil Gas Station – Fuel Discount
  - Coca Cola - Drinks

- Phoenix** - Curtis Management & Consulting – Donation
- Holiday Inn of West Phoenix – Dinner Location
  - Church on the Street – Dinner
  - Church of the Son – Dinner
  - American Legion District 12 – Donation
  - Horne KIA – Donation
  - American Legion District 12

**Day 2 Thursday**

- Phoenix** – McDonalds Restaurant – Breakfast
- Church of the Son – Breakfast
  - Holiday Inn – Breakfast Location

- Marana** – Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #5990 - Donation
- Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association 32-2 – Donation
  - Arizona Department of Public Safety District 8 – Escort
  - VFW Auxiliary, State of Arizona - Donation

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- Willcox** – Order of the Elks Lodge # 2131 – Lunch and Location
- Willcox Department of Public Safety – Escort
  - Arizona Department of Public Safety District 9 – Escort
  - Mike & Paula Gianetta – Donation

- Las Cruces** – Barnett’s Harley Davidson – Location / Dinner
- Andele! Restaurante – Dinner
  - Pic Quik – Donation
  - Ed Kriner - Donation

### **Day 3 Friday**

- Las Cruces** – American Legion Post #10 – Breakfast, Location & Camping
- VFW Post #3242 – Breakfast
  - City of Las Cruces Police Department - Escort

- Van Horn** – Van Horn Convention Center – Lunch Location
- Grace Christian Center of El Paso – Lunch
  - Sarabia’s Portable Jons of El Paso – Porta Potties

- Odessa** - Brazos Door and Hardware – Dinner
- American Legion Post 430 – Dinner Location

### **Day 4 Saturday**

- Odessa** – American Legion Post 430 – Breakfast Location
- American Legion Riders - Breakfast
  - American Legion Auxiliary Post 430 – Breakfast

- Colorado City** – The Community of Colorado City – Lunch and Location
- Colorado City Independent School District – Lunch and Program
  - American Legion BINGO Post 181, Snyder – Fuel

- Grand Prairie** - City of Grand Prairie – Donation
- Grand Prairie Police Department – Escort
  - Grand Prairie Parks & Recreation – Camping
  - Grand Prairie Independent School District – Dinner & Location
  - Disabled American Veterans Chapter 42 – Dinner
  - Longhorn Harley Davidson – RFTW Coins

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**Day 5 Sunday**

**Grand Prairie** – Wal-Mart Super Center of Grand Prairie – Staging Location

- McDonalds Restaurant # 23240 – Coffee, Breakfast
- Walgreens Pharmacy #9720 – Breakfast
- City of Grand Prairie Police Department – Escort
- Lockheed Martin – Breakfast

**Terrell** – Various Veteran Organizations

- City of Terrell

**Longview** – AMBUCS of Longview – Location, Lunch

**Monroe** – Barak Shriners #185 – Location, Dinner, Camping

- Darnell Tubing Testing – Donation
- AmVets Post 66 – Dinner
- Louisiana State Police – Escort
- Randalls Fine Meats – Dinner
- Ken’s Coffee Service – Drinks
- Herman Lenard – Donation
- Blue Bayou Harley Davidson

**Day 6 Monday**

**Monroe** – Sons of AmVets Squadron 66 – Breakfast

**Jackson** – Earl Rottmann / Harley Davidson of Jackson – Lunch, Location,  
Trail of Honor

- Governor Phil Bryant – State of Mississippi Support

**Meridian** – Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors – Location, Dinner,  
Donation, Camping

- Sonny Montgomery Foundation – Donation
- City of Meridian – Escort , Support
- Meridian Veterans Appreciation Committee – Dinner
- City of Meridian – Escort , Donation
- The Torch – Donation
- Dart Container – Donation
- David Majors – Donation
- Lauderdale County Tourism – Donation
- The Wash House – Laundry Service
- Christ Descendants of My Father’s Vineyard – Meal Support

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**Day 7 Tuesday**

**Meridian** - Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors – Location, Breakfast

- Chunky River Harley Davidson – Fundraiser Location
- Hellfighters – Fundraiser Location
- City of Meridian – Escort , Donation

**Tuscaloosa** – Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center – Lunch

**Ashville** – City of Ashville – Escort, Food, Port-a-Johns

**Chattanooga** – Rolling Thunder Tennessee Chapter 2 – Dinner

- Thunder Creek Harley Davidson –Dinner Location
- Bad Dad BBQ – Dinner

**Day 8 – Wednesday**

**Chattanooga** – Thunder Creek Harley Davidson – Breakfast, Location

**Knoxville** – T/A Truck Stop Knoxville West – Location, Snacks, Coffee

- Dunkin Donuts – Snacks
- Krispy Kreme Doughnuts – Snacks
- Dixie Divas - Snacks

**Bristol** - Black Wolf Harley Davidson – Location, Lunch

- Quaker Steak & Lube Restaurant – Lunch

**Wytheville** – Town of Wytheville – Staging Location

- Town of Wytheville - Police, Fire & Ambulance Support
- Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge #394 – Dinner
- Black Bear Harley Davidson – Transportation
- Citizens of Wytheville – Snacks , Drinks

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**Day 9 – Thursday**

**Wytheville** – Spiller Elementary School – Breakfast at the School, Program

- Citizens of Wytheville – Breakfast in the park
- Town of Wytheville - Police, Fire & Ambulance Support
- Town of Wytheville – Staging Location

**Montvale** - Montvale Elementary School – Lunch, Location, Program

**Lynchburg** - Harley Davidson of Lynchburg – Dinner

- Tree of Life Ministries – Camping

**Day 10 – Friday**

**Lynchburg** – Tree of Life Ministries – Breakfast, Auditorium

**Front Royal** – Reality Ministries – Lunch

**A special thanks to the Virginia State Police for 16 consecutive years of support for Run For The Wall - Southern Route.**



## “Fallen Hero’s Cart”

Southern Route has the great honor to be the Route selected to escort the Fallen Hero’s Cart to Washington DC. As the story below states, this nation owes a debt to our fallen hero’s to honor and respect their remains.

The nation which forgets its defenders will itself be forgotten. Alaska Air mechanic and baggage handlers observed the lack of dignity and mishandling of the remains of our Nation’s Fallen Heroes and took it upon themselves to right the wrong. They formed an all-volunteer group the “Alaska Airlines Fallen Soldier Project”.

These individuals formed an internal, all-volunteer organization to procure old luggage carts and renovate them. The group paints, decorates, and donates these carts to other International Airports to use as dedicated baggage carts to be used specifically for off-loading and transporting the remains of any of our fallen heroes.



The blue cart; adorned with American flag curtains, military insignias and a red carpet interior; is to ensure the remains of fallen soldiers are treated and transported with dignity and honor along their journey home to their final resting place. It’s the most visible component of the Alaska Airlines Fallen Soldier Program.

In August 2015, one of these carts was delivered to San Diego, International Airport.

Alaska Airlines has similar carts in Anchorage, Sacramento, Portland, Los Angeles and Seattle. The Alaska Airlines volunteer group of maintenance employees volunteered to develop a new transfer process and suggested it to maintenance leadership for approval. The protocol spells out details on loading and unloading, the distribution of responsibility for each transfer stage, pre-huddle checklists and escort handling. All of the flight crew is included in the protocol from the captain to the baggage handlers and all members of the crew are trained to ensure the protocol is followed.



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The volunteers are continuing to enhance the program. Technicians built a mock casket so employees can simulate an arrival and departure in the hangar for training. Neon safety vests with the "Fallen Soldier" emblem spread awareness and put a spotlight on the program. Protocol requires military escorts to stay with the remains of a fallen soldier from the time they leave a mortuary until they arrive at their final resting place. The remains are shipped as cargo, but escorts accompany the casket into holding facilities between flights. The technicians created a handbook detailing exactly how the remains are to be handled, such as loading the fallen soldier on the aircraft last to ensure unloading first and requesting a private Transportation Security Administration screening for the military escort.

Fallen Hero's Group has gone beyond the loading and unloading of the remains of our fallen hero, within the protocol they have developed procedures for the support and comfort of the volunteer who escorts the fallen hero home. Alaska Airlines make available to these individuals an office, hot meals, beds, showers, telephones and Wi-Fi to help lessen the stress on these individuals.



It should be noted that the Fallen Hero's Cart is not used solely by Alaska Airlines. The cart is made available to all airlines at the airport where it is stationed. Alaska Airlines sends each airlines information about the cart and assures each airline the use of the cart.

You may gain more information about the Fallen Hero's Cart by going to Alaska Airlines Fallen Soldier Cart website for a full description and videos of the volunteer program.

**<http://blog.alaskaair.com/alaska-airlines/people/at-alaska-airlines-a-final-tribute-to-fallen/>**

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YOU IN 2017 FOR RFTW XXIX  
May 17-27, 2017  
[www.rftw.org](http://www.rftw.org)**

## **NOTES**

## RFTW Southern Route XXVIII - Daily Itinerary

### HAND SIGNALS



Stop or  
Slow Down



Staggered  
Formation



Hazard in  
the road



Right Turn

Speed Up



Side by Side  
formation



Close the Ranks  
open and close fist



Left Turn



### Itinerary Booklet Legend

**B** – Breakfast

**L** – Lunch

**D** – Dinner

**YOYO** – Meal On Your Own

**ETA** – Estimated Time of Arrival

**ETD** – Estimated Time of Departure – Kickstands Up!

**ETE** – Estimated Time En-route (to a Destination)

**TOS** - Kickstands Down, Boots on the Ground

