



POW – MIA

Prisoners of War – Missing in Action

We Ride for Those Who Can't



RFTW XXXV

Southern Route

California to Washington, DC

May 14-24, 2025

RUN FOR THE WALL

One Mission – Four Routes



Southern Route Leadership:

Route Coordinator:	Lennie "Big Red" Hodson
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Route Mentor:	Darin "Lurch" Koch
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Staging Lead:	Steve "Dragon" Edmonds
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Welcome to Run For The Wall XXXV

As the 2025 Southern Route Coordinator and on behalf of the Board of Directors, it's my honor to welcome you to the 35th Annual Run For The Wall. This is also the 50th Anniversary of the last battle of the Vietnam war, The Mayaguez Incident in 1975. Our mission is to continue to bring awareness and accounting of all POW/MIA's and those Killed in Action. There are still 81,130 missing in action from all wars (71,981 from WW2, 7444 from Korea, 1573 from Vietnam and 6 from MEC) 41,000 of those are missing at sea. As our mission statement says to promote healing to all veterans and their families and friends, and to support our military personnel all over the world.

To all FNG's and our returning riders and supporters I say WELCOME HOME . AS we cross this great country, we will pass by many patriotic Americans waving Flags and shouting words of encouragement from bridges, roadways and on the sidewalks of the cities and towns we stop at. These stops will include schools, churches, veteran hospitals and homes, memorials and fraternal organizations. At these stops you'll meet volunteers and well-wishers – this will provide you with the chance to spread the words of our mission.

To our FNG's there will be people around eager to answer your questions, if you're still looking for guidance, look to your Platoon Leadership Team, there are also Chaplains around if you need more personal support. There is a Hydration team at fuel stops to provide water, Gatorade, and snacks. If you break down, there are chase trucks that will pick you and carry you to the next forward position that has a dealership for your bike. For minor medical needs contact one of our medical team members. There are also Road Guards(the people wearing red hats & yellow Brassards) to help get us safely across the country, please follow any instructions they may give you. Remember the meals you receive from our hosts are not Free, they are donated, someone paid for them so be gracious and thank the folks that provide them, if there is a donation jar at the front of the line and you feel it's the right thing to do leave a little something to show your appreciation. If there is a program and there usually is, make sure you stay until its conclusion.

Finally, I'd like to thank all the Volunteers, State Coordinators , Leadership Teams, without your support Run For The Wall wouldn't be possible. THANK YOU!



TO HONOR AND REMEMBER THEIR SACRIFICE

BIG RED

Lennie "Big Red" Hodson
2025 Southern Route Coordinator

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 a Marine Vietnam veteran 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 Ray Manzo and 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 2nd 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.

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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.

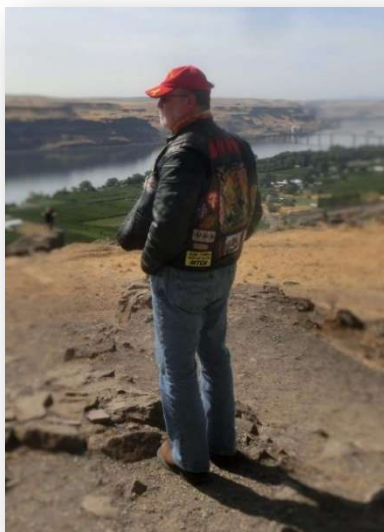
In May 1989, Marion Shelton saw the first Run leave from San Diego with a local police escort. Bill and I were in the lead. However, before we reached Ontario, Bill lost some of his gear, blew a tire, and then blew his motor. He spent the rest of The Run in the back of a pick-up. Pete then came up and 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.

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 26th, 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



Run For The Wall 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.

Southern Route



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and a Digital Version of this Itinerary Book**



Outreach Missions & Honor Guard

Day 2: Tucson, AZ **(FAM)**
Veterans Gold Star Family Park.
Limited to 20 Bikes

Day 3: Las Cruces, NM **(HG)**
Veterans Memorial Park

Day 3: Van Horn, TX **(MEM)(HG)**
Van Horn Veteran Memorial

Day 3: Pecos, TX **(FAM)**
CWO Johnny Mata Mem. KIA Iraq
Limited to 20 Bikes

Day 3: Odessa, TX
UNOFFICIAL Group Ride
after Dinner. Leave from
Crossroads Fellowship 8pm

Day 4: Odessa TX **(AMB)**
Wreath Laying for MoH Rec:
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

Day 4: Midland, TX **(HG)**
Permian Basin Memorial

Day 5: Dallas, Texas **(MEM)**
TX State Vietnam Vet Memorial
Dallas Fair Park
VV Platoon

Day 5: Tyler, Texas **(FAM)**
Camp V
Limited to 20 Bikes

Day 6: Monroe, LA **(HG)**
Monroe City Hall

Day 6: Bastrop, LA **(FAM)**
LTC James Wayne "Gabby"
Gates memorial
Limited to 20 Bikes

Day 6: Newton, MS **(MEM)**
1. MS Veterans Cemetery**(HG)**
2. DoughBoy Memorial
Limited to 20 Bikes

Day 8: Chattanooga, TN **(HG)**
Silverdale Confederate Cem.

Day 8: Chuckey, TN **(FAM)**
Family of Vietnam KIA,
SPC Floyd W. Lamb, USA

Day 9: Wytheville, VA **(HG)**
Withers Park

Day 9: Salem, VA **(FAM)**
Virginia Veterans Care Center
Limited to 20 Riders

Day 9: Montvale, VA **(HG)**
D-Day Memorial

Coordinated by:

AMB – Ambassadors

HG – Honor Guard/Wreath

FAM – Family Outreach

MEM – Memorial Outreach

“To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice”

Ontario CA **Breakfast** & **Staging** in Lot D next to the Ontario Gateway Hotel

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7688 Indiana Ave Riverside CA

Call Ahead - (951-785-0100)

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HYR Honda Yamaha of Redlands

215 East Redlands Blvd Redlands CA

Call Ahead - (909-793-2833)

Sun-Mon: By Appl. Tues-Wed: 9-6pm

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Day 1 – Wed – 5/14/25						
Ontario, CA to Casa Grande, AZ (I-10E to I-8)						
Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046			Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595			
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Breakfast & Staging in Lot D next to the Ontario Gateway B	E. Holt Blvd to I-10E			Depart 7:00a		
Coachella F Shelee’s Travel Plaza	146 - Dillon Rd 46355 Dillon Rd.	92	1:35	8:35a	8:55a	20 mins
Coachella – Staging	Next to Shelee’s	<1	:03	8:58a	9:38a	40 mins
Blythe – 7 th Street Valero F	240 – Mesa Dr. 761 E. Hobson Way	94	1:44	11:22a	11:37a	15 mins
Blythe L Colorado River Fairgrounds	591 Olive Lake Rd.	2	:05	11:42a	12:42p	60 mins
CA/AZ State Line		4	:10	12:52p	Roll Thru	
Tonopah – Pilot Travel Center F	94 – 411 TH Ave. 41112 Indian School Rd	94	1:52	2:44p	3:39p	55 mins
Elk’s Lodge #1957 D Casa Grande	112 – Hwy 85 to I8E 174 – 909 E Florence Bl.	109	2:09	Arrive 5:48p		
Total Mileage 397						

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- 5:00a **Continental Breakfast & Staging** at parking lot next to Ontario Gateway Hotel
- 5:30–6:20a Check-in at Parking Lot D next to Ontario Gateway Hotel
- 6:00a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC, Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 6:30a Platoon Meetings – **All riders MANDATORY**
- **7:00a Depart Ontario**, CA for Coachella
- 8:35a Arrive **FUEL & Go** – Exit # 146 – Shelee's Travel Plaza
Then ride to **Staging** for **MANDATORY – All Riders Meeting**
- 9:38a Depart Coachella for Blythe
- 11:22a Arrive **FUEL & Go** – Exit # 232 – Blythe, 7th Street Valero
Staging & Lunch at Colorado River Fairgrounds
- 12:42p Depart Fairgrounds for Tonopah
- 2:44p Arrive **FUEL** – Exit # 94 – Tonopah, Pilot Travel Center
- 3:39p Depart Tonopah for Casa Grande
- **5:48p Arrive Casa Grande**, Exit #174 – Elk's Lodge
Dinner at Casa Grande Elk's Lodge #1957

State Coordinators

California – Shirley "Top Sarge" Scott (805) 443-4373
 California – Carol L. Olmstead (805) 368-7586
 Arizona – Lori Schaeffler (520) 490-7612
 Arizona Mike (Chatters) Gianetta (520) 254-2322

"A true leader has the confidence to stand alone, the courage to make tough decisions, and the compassion to listen to the needs of others." – Douglas MacArthur

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 2: "At a Glance" – May 15, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

Host Hotel: Radisson Hotel
777 N Pinal Ave. Casa Grande, AZ
(520)426-3500



Host Hotel: Staybridge Suites
2651 E. Northrise Dr, Las Cruces, NM
(575) 521-7999

Daily Stops:

- Casa Grande, AZ – **Breakfast & Staging** at Elks Lodge #1957
- Marana, AZ – **Fuel, Stage & Ceremony** – Circle K Station
- Benson, AZ – **Fuel, Stage & Go** – Love's Truck Stop
- Willcox, AZ – **Lunch** at Elks Lodge #2131
- Lordsburg, NM – **Fuel & Go** – Pilot Truck Stop
Staging & Snacks at Elks Lodge #1813
- Las Cruces, NM – **Dinner** at Elks Lodge #1119

"I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it." - Nelson Mandela

"In war, there are no unwounded soldiers." - Jose Narosky

**"A ship without Marines is like a garment without buttons."
- Admiral David Dixon Porter**

"When you reach the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on." - FDR

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Day 2 - Thurs - 5/15/25 Casa Grande, AZ to Las Cruces, NM (I-10)		(TIME CHANGE @ DEMING +1)				
Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046		Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595				
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Elks Lodge #1957 B	909 E Florence Bl.			Depart 7:00a		
Marana - Circle K F Ceremony	236 -Sandario Rd 13961 N. Sandario Rd	44	:49	7:49a	9:04a	75 Mins
Benson - Love's Truck Stop F	302 -640 Az-90	66	1:15	10:19a	10:54a	35 mins
Willcox - Elks Lodge #2131 L	336 - S.Haskell 247 E. Stewart	39	:44	11:38a	12:38p	60 mins
AZ/NM State Line (Time Change)		51	:55	2:33p	Roll Thru	
Lordsburg - Pilot Truck Stop F	20A -1124 E Motel Dr	25	:27	3:00p	3:15p	15 Mins
Lordsburg - Elks Lodge #1813 S	US HWY 70-80E	1	:02	3:17p	3:42p	25 Mins
Las Cruces Elks Lodge #1119 D	6 -HWY 70 3000 Elks Dr	127	2:19	Arrive 6:01p		
Total Mileage 353						

ITINERARY

- 5:30a **Breakfast** and **Staging** at Elks Lodge #1957
- 5:30a Check-in Open at Elk's Lodge #1957
- 5:50a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 6:10a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 6:40a Platoon Meetings - **All riders MANDATORY**
- **7:00a Depart Casa Grande, AZ** for Marana, AZ
- 7:49a Arrive **FUEL** Exit #236 Marana Freeway - Marana, Circle K Station
- 9:04a Depart Marana for Benson
- 10:19a Arrive **FUEL, Stage & Go** - Exit #302 - Benson, Love's Truck Stop
- 11:38a Arrive Willcox - **Lunch** at Elks Lodge #2131
- 12:38p Depart Willcox for Lordsburg
- 3:00p Arrive **FUEL** - Exit #20 - Lordsburg, Pilot Truck Stop
TIME CHANGE @ Lordsburg +1 Hour into Mountain Daylight Time
- 3:42p Depart Lordsburg Elks Lodge for Las Cruces
- **6:01p Arrive Las Cruces Elks Lodge #1119, Las Cruces**
Dinner at Elks Lodge #1119

State Coordinators

Arizona - Lori Schaeffer (520) 490-7612
 Arizona Mike "Chatters" Gianetta (520) 254-2322
 New Mexico - Arthur "Double A" Ambriz (575) 574-0446

"Success is what happens after you survived all your mistakes."
- Anora Lee

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Day 3: "At a Glance" – May 16, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

Host Hotel: Staybridge Suites
2651 E. Northrise Dr, Las Cruces, NM
(575) 521-7999



Host Hotel: Homewood Suites
7221 Tres Hermanas Blvd., Odessa, TX
(432) 563-2323

Daily Stops:

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

Harley Davidson Service

Legacy HD
12100 W Hwy 80E, Odessa, TX
Call Ahead - (432-561-8891)
Open late for service

Motorcycle Service

Ruhnke's Xtreme Cycles
12406 W Hwy 80E, Odessa, TX
Call Ahead - (432-563-0000)
Open late for service

**"The truth of the matter is that you always know the right thing to do.
The hard part is doing it." - Norman Schwarzkopf Jr.**

**"The more we sweat in training, the less you bleed in battle."
- Richard Marcinko**

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Day3 - Fri-5/16/25		(TIME CHANGE @ VAN HORN +1)				
Las Cruces, NM to Odessa, TX (I-10/I-20)						
Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046			Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595			
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
American Legion 10 B	1185 E. Madrid Ave.			Depart 7:20a		
Veterans Memorial Park	2651 Roadrunner Pkwy	4	:10	7:30a	8:30a	60 mins
NM/TX State Line		27	:31	9:01a	Roll Thru	
Fabens – Fast Trak F	49 - F.M. 793 1790 Fabens Road	50	:57	9:58a	10:38a	40 mins
Border Check Point (Time Change)		53	:57	12:35p	Roll Thru	
Van Horn – Chevron F	138 - Golf Club Rd.	37	:38	1:13p	1:28p	15 mins
Van Horn Comm. Center L	1801 W. Broadway Blvd.	2	:02	1:30p	2:30p	60 mins
Pecos - Stripes #2267 F	40 – Country Club Dr 4101 S. Cedar St	92	1:34	4:04p	4:44p	40 mins
Odessa	121 – to 338 Loop N.	79	1:22	6:06p	Roll Thru	
Crossroads Fellowship D	6901 E Hwy 191 Frontage	4	:06	Arrive 6:12p		
Total Mileage 348						

ITINERARY

- 5:50a **Breakfast & Stage** at American Legion Post 10
- 5:50a Check-in Open at American Legion Post 10
- 6:10a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 6:30a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 7:00a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- **7:20a Depart American Legion** for Veterans Memorial Park
Wreath Laying – RFTW Honor Guard
- 8:30a Depart Veterans Memorial Park for Fabens
- 9:58a Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #49 – Fabens, Speedway
- 10:38a Depart Fabens for Van Horn
- 1:13p Arrive **FUEL, Stage & GO** – Exit #138(Chevron)
TIME CHANGE at VAN HORN +1 hour into Central Daylight Time
Lunch – Van Horn Convention Center
- 2:30p Depart Van Horn for Pecos
- 4:04p Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #42 – Pecos, Stripes #2267
- 4:44p Depart Pecos for Odessa
- **6:12p Arrive Odessa** - Exit #121
Dinner at Crossroads Fellowship

End of Day Activity

Unofficial: Special Group
ride led by Santa Ed

State Coordinators

New Mexico – Arthur “Double A” Ambriz (575) 574-0446
West Texas - Pastor Bobby Garcia (915) 355-9953
Central Texas - John “Wicked” McKee (432) 288-1958

“When you have choice but to fight, fight to win.”
-George S. Patton

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Day 4: "At a Glance" – May 17, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

**Host Hotel: Homewood Suites
7221 Tres Hermanas Blvd., Odessa, TX
(432) 563-2323**



**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites
4112 S. Carrier Pkwy, Grand Prairie, TX
(972) 264-4002**

Daily Stops:

- Odessa, TX – **Breakfast** at American Legion Post 430
- Midland, TX – Flag Raising/Wreath Laying Ceremony
Permian Basin Memorial
- Colorado City, TX – **Fuel** – Alsups
- Abilene, TX – **Lunch** at VFW Post #6873
- Cisco, TX – **Fuel** – Road Ranger Truck Stop
- Grand Prairie, TX – **Dinner** at Dubiski Career High School

**"The object of war is not to die for your country but to make the other
bastard die for his." – George S. Patton**

**"True courage is being afraid and going ahead and doing your job anyhow."
– Norman Schwarzkopf**

**"The supreme quality for leadership is unquestionably integrity,"
– Dwight D. Eisenhower**

**"The best revenge is massive success."
– Frank Sinatra**

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Day4-Sat-5/17/25

Odessa, TX to Grand Prairie, TX (I-20)

Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046

Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595

Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
American Legion Post 430	B2701 E 8 th			Depart 7:00a		
Midland - Permian Basin Memorial	I-20 BI 9600 Wright Dr.	10	:16	7:16a	8:16a	60 mins
Colorado City – Alsups	F217 – TX 208 947 I-20	92	1:42	9:58a	10:38a	40 mins
Abilene - VFW Post #6873	L279 - 1049 Veterans Dr	64	1:10	11:48a	12:48p	60 mins
Cisco - Road Ranger Truck Stop	F332-US183 I-20 & Hwy 183	53	:59	1:47p	2:27p	40 mins
Grand Prairie Dubiski Career High School	D455B - TX161 2990 Texas 161	124	2:08	Arrive 4:35p		
Total Mileage 345						

ITINERARY

- 5:30a **Breakfast** at American Legion Post 430
- 5:30a Check-in Open
- 5:50a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 6:10a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 6:40a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- **7:00a Depart American Legion** for Permian Basin Memorial
Flag Raising / Wreath Laying Ceremony - RFTW Honor Guard
- 8:16a Depart Permian Basin Memorial for Big Spring Memorial
Wreath Laying Ceremony – RFTW Honor Guard
- 9:58a Arrive **Fuel** – Exit #217, Colorado City, Alsups
- 10:38a Depart Colorado City for Abilene
- 11:48a Arrive Abilene - **Lunch** at VFW Post #6873
- 12:48p Depart Abilene for Cisco
- 1:47p Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #332, Cisco, Road Ranger
- 2:27p Depart Cisco for Grand Prairie
- **4:35p Arrive Grand Prairie** – Exit #455B
Dinner at Dubiski Career High School

End of Day Motorcycle Service
Longhorn HD (972-988-1903)
 Call ahead for service - will stay open till 7pm for service. Located at 2830 W. I-20, Grand Prairie

State Coordinators

Central Texas – John “Wicked” McKee (432) 288-1958
 North Texas – Mary Anne “Flames Diva” Hand (214) 577-9974
 East Texas – Jennifer Cross (903) 918-0633

“The soldier, above all other people, prays for peace, for he must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war.”
- Douglas MacArthur

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Day 5: "At a Glance" – May 18, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites
4112 S. Carrier Pkwy, Grand Prairie, TX
(972) 264-4002**



**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites
5100 Frontage Rd, Monroe, LA
(318) 343-6900**

Daily Stops:

- Grand Prairie, TX – **Breakfast** & **Staging** at Walmart Parking Lot
Non-Denominational Church Service
Limited Continental Breakfast or **YOYO**
- Terrell, TX – **Fuel** & **Snacks** – Brookshire's Chevron
- Longview, TX – **Fuel**, **Stage & Go** – 7-11 Gas Station
Lunch at Fairgrounds
- Minden, LA – **Fuel** – Quick Draw Fuel
- Monroe, LA – **Dinner** at Shriner's Hall

"War sometimes may be a necessary evil. But no matter how necessary, it is always an evil, never a good."
- Jimmy Carter

"No man worth his salt who is not ready at all times to risk his body, to risk his life in a great cause."
- Theodore Roosevelt

"We sleep safely at night because rough men stand ready to visit violence on those who would harm us."
- George Orwell

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Day5 - Sun - 5/18/25							
Grand Prairie, TX to Monroe, LA (I-20/Hwy31/L281/I220/I20)							
Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046				Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595			
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS	
Walmart Super Center B	2225 W I-20			Depart 7:35a			
Terrell – Brookshire’s F	498 – FM 148 1400 W. Moore Ave	47	:53	8:28a	9:13a	45 mins	
Longview – 7-11 Gas&Go F Staging/stay on bikes	589B – TX31-L281 4108 W. Loop 281	99	1:50	11:03a	11:23a	20 mins	
Longview – Fairgrounds L	1123 Jaycee Dr.	2	:03	11:26a	12:36p	70 mins	
TX/LA State Line		46	:52	1:28p	Roll Thru		
Minden Quick Draw Fuel F	49 – 1703 Hwy 531	53	:57	2:25p	3:10p	45 mins	
Monroe - Shriner’s Hall D	120 - Garret Rd 6620 Frontage Rd	72	1:46	Arrive 4:56p			
Total Mileage 320							

ITINERARY

- 5:45a Continental **Breakfast** at Walmart Supercenter Parking Lot
- 5:45a Check-in Open – Walmart Supercenter Parking Lot
- 6:05a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 6:25a **Non-Denominational Church Service** – Walmart Super Center
- 6:45a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 7:15a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- **7:35a Depart Grand Prairie, TX** for Terrell
- 8:28a Arrive **FUEL & Snacks** – Exit #498, Terrell, Brookshire's Fuel
- 9:13a Depart Terrell for Longview
- 11:03a Arrive **FUEL & STAGE**, Exit #589B (left descending turn) Longview, 7-11 Gas
- 11:26a Arrive for **Lunch** at Longview Fairgrounds
- 12:36p Depart Longview for Minden
- 2:25p Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #49, Minden, Quick Draw
- 3:10p Depart Minden for Monroe,
- **4:56p Arrive Monroe** – Exit #120, Garrett Rd
Dinner at Shriner's Hall

End of Day Motorcycle Service
Warhawk HD (318-343-1650)
 Call ahead for service - will stay open till 7pm for service. Located at 6200 Frontage Rd., Monroe

State Coordinators

North Texas – Mary Anne "Flames Diva" Hand (214) 577-9974
 East Texas – Jennifer Cross (903) 918-0633
 Louisiana – Gordon "Bear" Davis (318) 614-0366

**"In the end, we will remember not the words of our
 enemies, but the silence of our friends."
 – Martin Luther King Jr.**

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 6: "At a Glance" – May 19, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites
5100 Frontage Rd, Monroe, LA
(318) 343-6900**



**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn
100 N. Frontage Rd, Meridian, MS
(601) 693-0160**

Daily Stops:

- Monroe, LA – **Breakfast** – Sam's Club Parking Lot
- Monroe City Hall – Wreath Laying Ceremony.
- Tallulah, LA – **Fuel** – Love's Truck Stop
- Jackson, MS – Wahabi Shriners
Lunch at Wahabi Shriners
- Morton, MS – **Fuel & Stage** – Shell on I-20 Exit 77
- Meridian, MS – **Dinner** at Lauderdale County Agri. Center



Donated Laundry Service Available

**"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the
courage to continue that counts."
- Winston Churchill**

**"You are much stronger than you think you are. Trust me."
- Superman**

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 6 - Mon - 5/19/25 Monroe, LA to Meridian, MS (I-20/I-55/I-20)						
Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046			Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595			
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Sam's Club Parking Lot B	5400 Frontage Rd			Depart 7:40a		
Monroe City Hall – Wreath	117C – Bus 165/LA 15 401 Lea Joyner	4	:08	7:48a	8:43a	55 mins
Tallulah – Love’s Truck Stop F	171 – US 65 227 US 65	56	1:01	9:44a	10:39a	55 mins
Jackson – Wahabi Shriners L	90A (I-55) – Savanna St 4123 I-55 S	65	1:11	11:50a	1:00p	70 mins
Morton – Shell F	77 – 2917 MS-13 S	37	0:42	1:42p	2:32p	50 mins
Meridian-Agri. Pavilion D	156 – Jimmy Rodgers HWY 1022 MS-19S	63	1:07	Arrive 3:39p		
Total Mileage 223						

ITINERARY

- 6:00a **Breakfast** at Sam's Club Parking Lot
- 6:00a Check-in Open, Sam's Club Parking Lot
- 6:30a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 6:50a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 7:20a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- **7:40a Depart Sam's Club** for Monroe City Hall
- 8:00a Wreath Laying Ceremony at City Hall RFTW Honor Guard
- 8:43a Depart City Hall for Tallulah
- 9:44a Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #171, Tallulah, Love's Truck Stop
- 10:39a Depart Tallulah for Jackson
- 11:50a Arrive and **Stage at** Jackson Wahabi Shriners – Exit 90A
IMPORTANT – Follow Stagers instructions for Parking
Lunch at Jackson Wahabi Shriners
- 1:00p Depart Jackson for Morton
- 1:42p Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #77, Morton, Shell
- 2:32p Depart Morton for Meridian
- **3:39p Arrive Meridian**, Exit #156, Jimmy Rodgers HWY
Dinner at Lauderdale County Ag Pavilion

State Coordinators

Louisiana – Gordon "Bear" Davis (318) 614-0366
 Mississippi – Roger "Road Ranger" Barrett (601) 826-5205

**"There's no honorable way to kill, No gentle way to destroy.
 There is nothing good in war except its ending."
 - Abraham Lincoln**

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 7: "At a Glance" – May 20, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn
100 N. Frontage Rd, Meridian, MS
(601) 693-0160



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

Daily Stops:

- Meridian, MS – **Breakfast** at Lauderdale County Agricultural Pavilion
- Tuscaloosa, AL – **Fuel** – Pilot Truck Stop
Lunch at Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center
Drive by **Mercedes Tuscaloosa Assembly Plant**
- Gadsden, AL – **Fuel** at Petro Travel Center
- Chattanooga, TN – **Dinner** at White Lightning Harley Davidson

**"One important key to success is self-confidence. an
important key to self-confidence is preparation."
- Arthur Ashe**

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 7 – Tue – 5/20/25			(TIME CHANGE@CHATT +1)				
Meridian, MS to Chattanooga, TN (I-20/I-459/I-59/I-24/I-75)							
Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046			Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595				
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS	
Meridian – Ag. Pavilion B	1022 MS-19			Depart 7:30a			
Tuscaloosa – Pilot Fuel Stop F	76 – US11 4416 Skyland Blvd	92	1:37	9:07a	9:47a	40 mins	
Tuscaloosa - Tuscaloosa VAMC L	3701 Loop Rd.	3	:07	9:54a	11:14a	80 mins	
Gadsden – Petro Travel Center F	181 – AL77 1724 W Grand Ave	110	2:03	1:17p	2:12p	55 mins	
AL/GA State Line (Time Change)		61	1:03	4:15p	Roll Thru		
GA/TN State Line		23	:23	4:38p	Roll Thru		
Chattanooga White Lightning Harley Davidson D	7B – Bonny Oaks 7720 Lee Hwy	21	:25	Arrive 5:03p			
Total Mileage 310							

ITINERARY

- 6:00a **Breakfast & Staging** at Agricultural Pavilion
- 6:00a Check-in Open
- 6:20a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 6:40a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 7:10a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- **7:30a Depart Meridian** for Tuscaloosa
- 9:07a Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #76, Tuscaloosa, Pilot Truck Stop
- 9:54a Arrive at Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center
Lunch at Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center
- 11:14a Depart Tuscaloosa for Gadsden, I-20E/I-459 Birmingham/I-59N
- 1:17p Arrive **FUEL**– Exit #181, Gadsden, Petro Travel Center
- 2:12p Depart Gadsden for Chattanooga
TIME CHANGE at AL/GA state line +1 hour into Eastern Daylight time
- **5:03p Arrive Chattanooga** – Exit#7B Bonny Oaks
Dinner at White Lightning Harley Davidson

State Coordinators

Mississippi – Roger “Road Ranger” Barrett (601) 826-5205
Alabama – Jerry “Radar” Leckness (205) 292-1800
Tennessee – Lee “Moses” Thacker (865) 441-2560

“Do not be embarrassed by your failures, learn from them and start again.”
- Richard Branson

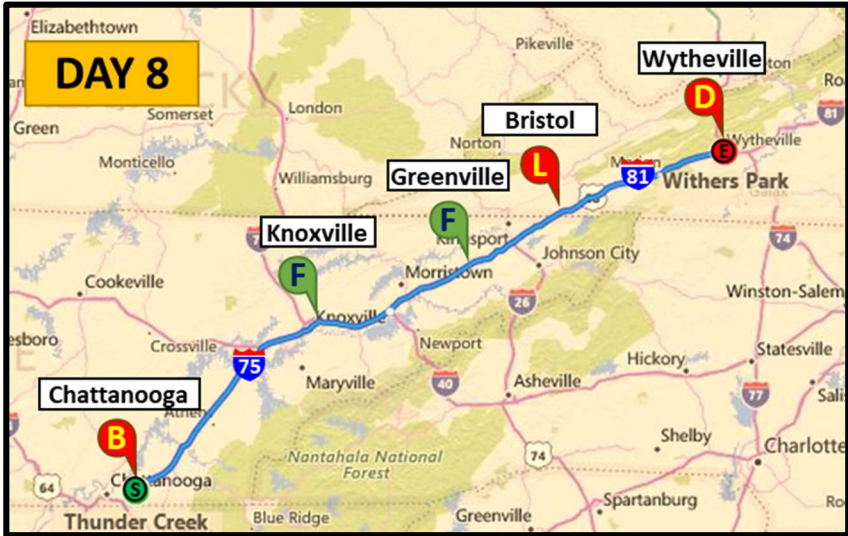
“Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving.”
- Albert Einstein

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 8: "At a Glance" – May 21, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

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



**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express
165 Malin Dr, Wytheville, VA
(276) 335-2222**

Daily Stops:

- Chattanooga, TN – **Breakfast & Stage** at White Lightning Harley Davidson
- Wreath Laying at Confederate Cemetery next to White Lightning HD
- Knoxville, TN – **Fuel** – T/A Truck Stop
- Greeneville, TN – **Fuel** – Davy Crockett T/A.
- Bristol, VA – **Lunch** at Black Wolf Harley Davidson
- Wytheville, VA – Ceremony at Memorial Park
Dinner at Moose Lodge

**"Unless you try something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow."
- Ralph Waldo Emerson**

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 8 - Wed - 5/21/25						
Chattanooga, TN to Wytheville, VA (I-75/I-40/I-81)						
Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046			Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595			
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
White Lightning Harley Davidson B	7720 Lee Hwy Confederate Cemetery			Depart 8:10a		
Knoxville – T/A Truck Stop F	369 - Watt Rd 615 Watt Rd	79	1:24	9:34a	10:24a	50 mins
Greeneville – Davy Crocket T/A F	36 – Van Hill Rd. 195 Van Hill Rd	89	1:35	11:59a	12:49p	50 mins
TN/VA State Line		40	:42	1:31p	Roll Thru	
Bristol – Black Wolf Harley Davidson L	5 – Lee Hwy 1061 Old Abingdon Hwy	5	:07	1:38p	2:53p	75 mins
Wytheville – Withers Park	70 – US21 300 N. 4 th St.	66	1:10	Arrive 4:03p		
Moose Lodge – Dinner	1350 W. Main St	Dinner 6:00p				
Total Mileage 279						

ITINERARY

- 6:00a **Breakfast** at White Lightning Harley Davidson
- 6:00a Check-in Open & **Staging** at White Lightning Harley Davidson
- 6:20a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 6:40a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 7:20a Wreath Laying at Confederate Cemetery (next to HD) – RFTW Honor Guard
- 7:50a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- **8:10a Depart Chattanooga, TN** for Knoxville
- 9:34a Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #369, Knoxville,T/A Truck Stop
- 10:24a Depart Knoxville for Greeneville
- 11:59a Arrive **FUEL** – Exit #36, Greenville, Davy Crockett
- 12:49p Depart Greeneville for Bristol
- 1:38p Arrive Bristol
- **Lunch** – at Black Wolf Harley Davidson
- 2:53p Depart Bristol for Wytheville
- **4:03p Arrive Wytheville** – Exit #70, Withers Park

End of Day Motorcycle Service

Black Bear HD: (866-427-5395 or 276-228-9000) Call ahead - open Late. Will provide shuttle services to and from the Moose Lodge for riders having bikes serviced/repaired.

Mark 4 Honda: (276-228-3118) Call ahead - open until 5:30 pm
Virginia Motorsports (Polaris): (276-228-7001) Call ahead

Dinner and Awards at Moose Lodge at 6:00p

ALL HANDS: Recognition and Awards Dinner – Quick Check in at hotels then leave for Dinner and Awards at the Moose Lodge

State Coordinators

Tennessee – Lee “Moses” Thacker (865) 441-2560
 VA – Chris “Hey Man” DiYorio (276) 620-3498

**“To succeed in life you need two things:
 ignorance and confidence.”
 – Mark Twain**

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 9: "At a Glance" – May 22, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express
165 Malin Dr, Wytheville, VA
(276) 335-2222**



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

Daily Stops:

- Wytheville, VA – **Breakfast** at Withers Park
Program by Children of Wytheville
Wreath Laying - RFTW Honor Guard Ceremony
- Montvale, VA – **Fuel & Go** – Exxon Station – Stay on Bikes
- Montvale, VA – Program & **Lunch** Montvale Elementary School
- Bedford, VA – **D-Day Memorial**
Wreath Laying Ceremony – RFTW Honor Guard
Route & Team Photos – Coordinate with Photographer
- Lynchburg, VA – **Dinner** at Harley Davidson of Lynchburg

**"Life is what we make it, always has been always will be."
- Grandma Moses**

**"Above all, we must realize that no arsenal, or no
weapon in the arsenals of the world, is so formidable
as the will and moral courage of free men and women."
- Ronald Reagan**

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 9 - Thurs - 5/22/25

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

Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046

Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595

Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS
Withers Park B	300 N. 4 th St.			Depart 9:30a		
Montvale Exxon F	150B – US 220 Alt. 11268 W. Lynchburg Salem Turnpike	95	1:48	11:18a	11:38a	20 mins
Montvale Elem School L	1 Little Patriot Dr.	1	:02	11:40a	1:30p	1 hr 50 mins
D-Day Memorial	HWY 122 3 Overlord Circle	15	:15	1:45p	3:30p	1hrs 45 mins
HD of Lynchburg D	20453 Timberlake	19	:27	Arrive 3:57p		
Total Mileage 127						

ITINERARY

- 6:30a Continental **Breakfast** & Staging at Withers Park
- 6:30a Check-in Open
- 6:50a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 7:10a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer,Pledge,RC,Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 7:40a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- 8:00a Program by the children of Wytheville,
Wreath Laying Ceremony at Withers Park, RFTW Honor Guard
- 9:30a Depart Withers Park** for Montvale
- 11:18a Arrive **FUEL & GO** - Exit #150B, Montvale, Exxon Station
Fast Gas & Go – STAY ON YOUR BIKE!!!
- 11:40a Arrive **Lunch** & Program at Montvale Elementary School
- 1:30p Depart for D-Day Memorial
- 1:45p Arrive D-Day Memorial
Wreath Laying Ceremony RFTW Honor Guard
Southern Route Group Photograph
Team Photos – Leads Contact Route Photographer
- 3:30p Depart D-Day Memorial for Lynchburg
- 3:57p Arrive Lynchburg**
Dinner at Harley Davidson of Lynchburg

D-Day Memorial Entry Fee

Before first KSU today, PL's will be collecting **\$5 per person** for the D-Day Memorial Entry Fee.

End of Day Motorcycle Service

Harley Davidson of Lynchburg
(434-237-2381) Call ahead -
Open late for service.

State Coordinator

VA – Chris “Hey Man” DiYorio (276) 620-3498

**“Things work out best for those who make the
best of how things work out.”**

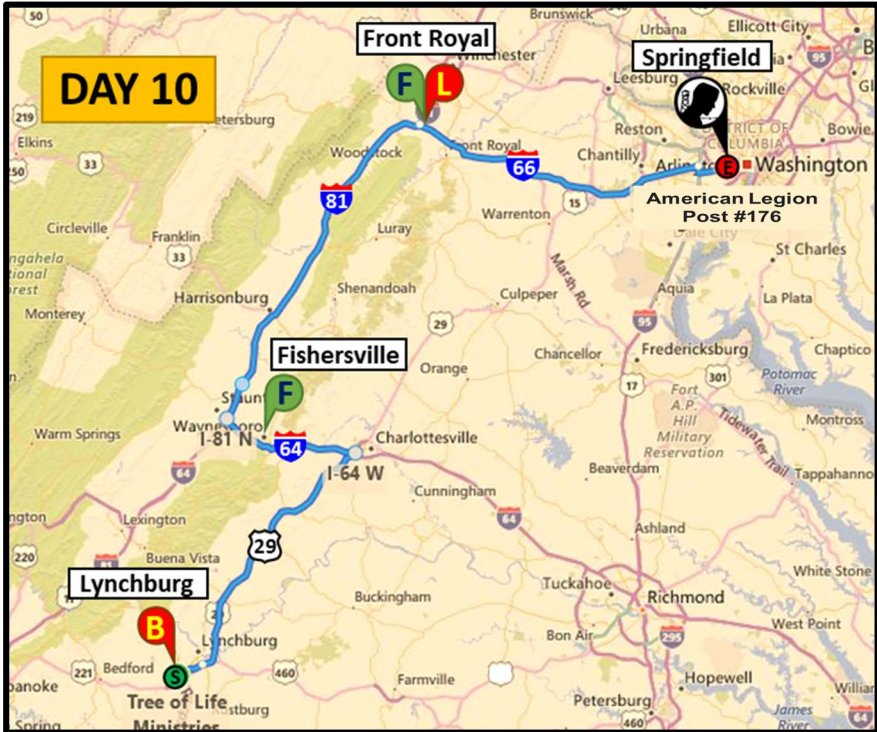
- John Wooden

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 10: "At a Glance" – May 23, 2025

"To Honor and Remember Their Sacrifice"

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



**Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express
6401 Brandon Ave, Springfield, VA
703-644-5555**

Daily Stops:

- Lynchburg, VA – **Breakfast & Stage** at the Tree of Life Ministries
- Fishersville, VA – **Fuel** – Shell Station
- Front Royal, VA – **Fuel** – Sunoco
- **Quick Lunch** at DoubleTree Parking Lot
- Springfield, VA – RFTW arrival at

"Liberty has never come from Government. Liberty has always come from the subjects of it. The history of liberty is a history of limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it."
- Woodrow Wilson

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Day 10 – Fri – 5/23/25

Lynchburg, VA to Springfield, VA (Hwy 29/I-64/-I81/I-66/I-495/Amherst Ave.)

Emergency Phone: 580-919-8046				Chase 1 Phone: 928-814-6595			
Check Point	Exit#-Road	Dist.	ETE	ETA	ETD	TOS	
Lynchburg - Tree of Life Min. B	2812 Greenview Dr.			Depart 7:15a			
Fishersville – Sheetz F	91 – on I-64 726 Tinkling Springs Rd	97	1:55	9:10a	10:00a	50mins	
Front Royal – Sunoco F	6 – Hwy 340 8002 Winchester Rd.	92	1:40	11:40a	11:55a	15mins	
Front Royal – DoubleTree L	111 Hospitality Dr.	1	:02	11:57p	13:20p	83mins	
Springfield American Legion Post #176	169B – Old Keene Mill 6520 Amherst Ave	70	1:20	Arrive 2:40p			
Total Mileage 260							

Itinerary

- 5:00a **Breakfast** at Tree of Life Ministries
- 5:00a Final Check-in Open
- 5:20a **FNG Briefing MANDATORY**
All NEW FNG's meet at the Check-in Table
- 5:45a All RFTW Riders Meeting (Prayer, Pledge, RC Announcements) **MANDATORY**
- 6:55a **Platoon Meeting MANDATORY**
- **7:15a Depart Tree of Life Ministries**
- 9:10a Arrive **FUEL** – Fisherville Sheetz
- 10:00a Depart Fisherville for Front Royal
- 11:40a Arrive **FUEL** - Exit #6, Front Royal Sunoco
Lunch at Front Royal DoubleTree Parking Lot
- 1:20p Depart Front Royal for Springfield
- **2:40p Arrive Springfield, Virginia – American Legion Post #176**

Due to limited space at the American Legion, arrival parking will be at the Parking Garage just to the North. Feel free to park and walk over to the AL Post to visit and then stay for the arrival of Central Route.

State Coordinators

VA – Chris DiYorio (276) 620-3498
DC Area – Ed Wehner (703) 282-1640

“It’s the personal connections we make and nurture that establishes RFTW as a Mission of the heart and a memorable experience that will bring the Spirit of America to the forefront of your soul.”
- Billie “Bugs” Dunlap

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 incidents of unruly or hostile behavior will be handled by the Route Coordinator who 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 26, 2025

8:45am - ALL RFTW Riders assemble at Lincoln Memorial for RFTW Group Photo

9:00am - RFTW Group Photo Please follow photographer's instructions.

NO CHANTING OR YELLING AT LINCOLN MEMORIAL (Park Service Regulation) May result in elimination of future access for Run For The Wall assemblies.

9:30am RFTW Mission Accomplished Plaque and Wreath Ceremony - Presentation at the Vietnam Memorial Wall.



Arlington National Cemetery – A very limited number of bikes will be allowed to enter ANC. Each Route will provide nominations for this honor. **For those selected: Stage at Pentagon near 9/11 Memorial by 11:30am, with KSU at 12:15pm.** Ceremony in ANC will be at 1:15pm at the Tomb of the Unknown. Other individuals may proceed to ANC to view the ceremony on their own to witness the ceremonies there. (no escort provided). Riders must park in the ANC parking garage/lot (\$3/hr - \$13/day). Entry to ANC is free; however, a valid ID is required. Weapons of all types ARE NOT ALLOWED. Visitors are subject to search as ANC is Army controlled federal property. **Riders MUST depart together at 1:45pm.**

9-6:00pm – SandBox Participant Check-in at Holiday Inn (Host Hotel) Lobby

2:30-6:00pm – Various SandBox Route meetings. See SandBox Route Schedule details.

2-6:00pm – 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 27, 2025

RFTW XXXV SandBox Route – Departs from host hotel at 7:30am.

Rolling to Remember – RFTW Group will depart with and behind SandBox Route Chase Trucks. Event staging area is at the Pentagon North Parking lot. Bring cameras, snacks, sunscreen and **lots of water.** For more info on the Rolling to Remember event, go to www.rollingtoremember.com.

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Thank You Supporters For Your Donations.

Ontario, California

- California Highway Patrol-Ontario-Rancho Cucamonga
- Sacramento Council 953 - Knights of Columbus
- Elks Lodge #1419
- Bishop Manogue Assembly 50
- Ontario Convention Center
- Christian Motorcycle Association
- Holiday Inn Airport
- Comfort Inn
- Delta Marriott
- Presco a Trident Company
- Ontario Police Department
- City of Ontario
- Abate 19
- Residence Inn
- Quality Inn
- Hampton Inn
- Best Western Plus

Coachella, California

- Lifestyle Cycles
- T/A Truck Stop, Coachella, CA
- Spotlight 29 Casino
- Stator Bros Charities

Blythe, California

- Blythe Chamber of Commerce
- Blythe Police Activities League
- Blythe Fire Department
- Valley Beverage Distributor
- 7th Street Valero
- Reyes Coca Cola Bottling
- California Highway Patrol Blythe Station
- Colorado River Fairgrounds
- Johnson Refrigeration
- Riverside County Sheriff Department

Tonopah, Arizona

- Pilot Travel Center

Casa Grande, Arizona

- VFW State Commander Jim McCormick
- Casa Grande Valley Elks Lodge #1957
- Casa Grande Fire Department
- Eloy Fire Department
- Arizona City Fire Department
- Paul Cicero
- VFW Post #12043 Maricopa AZ
- Pinal County Sheriff's Department
- Arizona City ICE
- American Legion Pat Tillman Post #117
- Mike & Julie Oldham

Marana, Arizona

- VFW Post #5990 Comrades & Auxiliary
- VFW Post #549 Comrades & Auxiliary Tucson, AZ
- VFW Post #10254 Comrades and Auxiliary, Three Points, AZ
- Town of Marana, AZ
- Marana Police Department
- Main Street Grocery
- Circle K (Sandario Rd)
- Jack-in-the-Box
- Marana Health Center

Willcox, Arizona

- Elks Lodge #2131
- Timothy Housley
- Alyssa Wilson
- Connie Dunham
- Willcox Police Department
- Alfred R. Skorupski
- Steve Seplak
- Cindy Fuller

Benson, Arizona

- Benson Police Department
- Love's Country Store

Lordsburg, New Mexico

- Pilot Travel Center
- Lordsburg Elks Lodge #1813

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Las Cruces, New Mexico

- American Legion Post #10
- Las Cruces Police Department
- New Mexico Air National Guard
- TownePlace Suites
- Staybridge Suites
- Barb's Flowers
- Elks Lodge #1119
- Las Cruces Fire Department
- Marine Corps League, El Perro Detachment
- Fairfield Inn & Suites
- Holiday Inn Express & Suites

Fabens, Texas

- Speedway Travel Center

Van Horn, Texas

- Van Horn Convention Center
- Sams Truck Stop - Chevron Station

Pecos, Texas

- Sunoco Station

Odessa, Texas

- Crossroads Fellowship
- American Legion Riders Post #430
- Midessa Oil Patch RV Park
- American Legion Post #430
- American Legion Auxiliary Post #430

Colorado City, Texas

- Allsup's Convenience Store

Abilene, Texas

- VFW Post #6873

Cisco, Texas

- Road Ranger

Grand Prairie, Texas

- City of Grand Prairie TX
- Grand Prairie Independent School District
- McDonalds Restaurant #8001
- DAV Chapter 42
- Walmart Supercenter #896
- Friends of the Texas State Vietnam Memorial Wall
- Better Life Insurance, Dallas
- Carlos Sepeda Consulting LLC
- Dubiski Career High School
- Lloyd Park
- Four Trees Woodworks, Weatherford

Terrell, Texas

- Brookshire's #23
- City of Terrell
- Terrell Chamber of Commerce

Longview, Texas

- Longview Police Department
- Maude Cobb Convention Center
- Roughneck Harley Davidson
- Roughneck Harley Davidson HOG Chapter
- Brookshires Corporate Office
- Bikers Against Bullying, East Texas
- Nancy Beavers
- Longview Fire Department
- 7-Eleven Convenience Store
- Little Distributing LLC
- Nine Energy Service
- Longview Ice
- Jamie Hoch

Minden, Louisiana

- Quick Draw Travel Plaza

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Monroe, Louisiana

- Barak Shriners #185
- AmVets Sons Squadron #66
- Randall's Captain Avery Seafood
- Warhawk Harley-Davidson
- Louisiana Confederation of Clubs
- The Cigar Experience
- Keith & Darlene Darnell
- Louisiana State Police
- Sam's Club
- McDonalds
- Temple Guard MC
- D.D. & S. Repair

Tallulah, Louisiana

- Love's Travel Stop

Jackson, Mississippi

- Wababi Shriners

Morton, Mississippi

- Burns & Burns Shell Food Mart #25

Meridian, Mississippi

- College Park United Methodist Church
- Lauderdale County Agri-Center
- Bonita McDonald's #11672
- Meridian Police Department
- The G.V. Sonny Montgomery Foundation
- Mississippi Highway Patrol - Motor Patrol Division
- Meridian Moose Lodge # 1628
- Meridian Coca-Cola Bottling Company
- Frontage McDonald's #2232
- Ice Plant, Inc

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

- Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center
- Tuscaloosa Police Department
- Jalapenos Mexican Grill
- Fred Robertson Wrecker Service
- Buffalo Rock Co.
- West Alabama Chamber of Commerce
- Elks Lodge #393
- Pilot Travel Center
- SmartBank
- Christian Motorcycle Association

Gadsden, Alabama

- Petro Travel Center

Chattanooga, Tennessee

- White Lightning Harley-Davidson
- American Legion Post 95
- Melvin Moody, Unit General Manager
- Mike McKee - McKee Bakery
- Marcus Kilgore - White Lightning Harley-Davidson
- Rolling Thunder Tennessee Chapter #2
- Pepsi Co - Chattanooga
- Frito Lay - Chattanooga
- Scott (BBQ cook)

Knoxville, Tennessee

- Knoxville West TA Travel Center

Greenville, Tennessee

- Davy Crockett TA Travel Center

Bristol, Virginia

- Bristol Police Department
- Black Wolf Harley-Davidson HOG Chapter

RFTW XXXV – Southern Route Daily Itinerary

Wytheville, Virginia

- Town of Wytheville
- Gatorade
- Wytheville KOA Holiday Campground
- Wytheville Meeting Center
- Holiday Inn Express & Suites
- Black Bear Harley Davidson
- Moose Lodge #394
- Spiller Elementary School
- Wytheville Visitors Center
- Gatorade Employees
- Days Inn

Montvale, Virginia

- Montvale Elementary School
- National D-Day Memorial
- Exxon Montvale

Salem, Virginia

- Salem Virginia Veterans Care Center

Lynchburg, Virginia

- Virginia State Police
- Hampton Inn and Suites
- Lynchburg Harley Davidson HOG Chapter
- Tree of Life Ministries
- City of Lynchburg VA

Fishersville, Virginia

- Sheetz Station #364
- Augusta County Sheriff's Office
- Fishersville Chamber of Commerce

Front Royal, Virginia

- Sunoco Gas Station Front Royal VA
- DoubleTree Inn by Hilton



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Southern Route Coordinators

2000	Phil & Linda Wright (Recon Route)
2001	Jim “Centerpunch” Doimas
2002	Kent “Papa Smurf” Wilson
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2004	John “Slammer” Gebhards
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2006	Don “9-Ball” Morris
2007	Frank “Tadpole” Perry
2008	Roger “Cowboy” Mead
2009	Greg “Pied Piper” Smith
2010	Ray “Too Tall” McDowell
2011	Richard “Preacher” Moore
2012-13	Laurie “Airborne” Clay
2014	Reid “Pops” Choate
2015	Jim “Stoney” Stone
2016	C. J. “Chicken Joe” Connors
2017	Raymond “Ghost Rider” Wyatt
2018	Chad “Slacker” O’Dell
2019	Billie “Bugs” Dunlap
2020-22	Bob “Captain America” Nelson
2023	Kristine “Eyes” Wood
2024	Darin “Lurch” Koch
2025	Lennie “Big Red” Hodson

NOTES

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



Fuel



Breakfast



Lunch



Dinner

ETA – Estimated Time of Arrival

ETD – Estimated Time of Departure – Kickstands Up!

ETE – Estimated Time En route (to next destination)

TOS – Time On Station (Kickstands Down, Boots on Ground)



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