

2024 UK Reunion

The reunion will be a three-day event giving everyone time to explore or continue their trip as they choose. It will begin on Saturday at 11:00AM with our service at the memorials located across from The Woodman Inn, Nuthampstead. A bus will pick everyone up from the hotel to travel to Nuthampstead. Lunch will be on your own at the Woodman Inn. A visit to the Nuthampstead Airfield Museum and a trip onto the airfield to the flag pole will be included.

Saturday afternoon at 4:30PM, the group will be attending a church service at St George's in Anstey. In previous years, the St. George's Church service had been held on Sunday, but due to the Rector's conflicting schedule this year, a Sunday service at St. Georges is not possible. However, he has kindly agreed to put on a special service for us on Saturday afternoon, the 25th of May.

Saturday evening dinner will be on your own.

Sunday will be on your own to explore Cambridge or the nearby countryside if you wish. The group will meet back for dinner at the Eagle Pub in Cambridge.

On Monday, Cambridge American Cemetery holds a Memorial Day Service that the group will attend and lay a wreath for the 398th Bomb Group. Lunch will be afterwards at the Coton Orchard Garden Centre where shopping can be done! That evening, the group will meet back at the Hilton Hotel in Cambridge for a Farewell Dinner.

Transportation from the airport is on your own. The hotel is conveniently located in Cambridge City Centre in close proximity to the Cambridge train station and coach (bus) stops. If you fly into Heathrow or Gatwick, you can take the tube and trains into Cambridge. The roundtrip cost would be about £80 from Gatwick and £120 from Heathrow (Estimated costs at the time of writing this article!) The trip would involve changing a couple of times and going into London to the Liverpool Street Station. Details on tickets and times can be found online at www.thetrainline.com or www.nationalrail.co.uk It is about a 10-minute taxi ride from Cambridge train station to the hotel. If you choose to arrive via coach, take the National Express Coach from either airport to the **Cambridge Parkside (City Centre)** stop, which is about a 10-minute walk or a 5-minute taxi ride to the hotel. You may pre-book your tickets and pay online at: www.nationalexpress.com/ Average roundtrip ticket cost is £80, depending on airport selection.

The only additional and unknown cost at this time is the transportation during the reunion. A bus will be hired, but until we know how many people are attending, we will not know the costs. We will do our best to keep these costs as low as possible.

Dates: May 25 - 27, 2024

Details: May 25 - 11:00 am service at the Memorials in Nuthampstead. Visit Nuthampstead Airfield Museum.

Lunch at The Woodman Inn

4:30 pm - Special church service at St. George's Church, Anstey (4:30 pm time is approximate)

May 26 – Day on your own. Group dinner at the Eagle Pub in Cambridge, self-pay when you order.

May 27 – 11:00 am Memorial Day Service, Cambridge American Cemetery, Madingley. Lunch at Coton Orchard Garden Centre. Afternoon on your own.

Farewell dinner at the Hilton Cambridge City Centre, Cambridge. £50.00 per person.

Hotel: Hilton Cambridge City Centre – 20 Downing St, Cambridge, CB2 3DT, UK

You will need to make your reservation with the hotel direct. Ten rooms have been held for this event under the guest name "398TH BG REUNION". Rates below valid May 23 through May 28. Telephone: +44 1223 464491 OR, book directly using this link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/stnhchi-gbgra-f21c3910-0f6e-4e12-9add-aa7c2760ec43/>

Rate per night: **£200.00** for single occupancy and **£230.00** for twin sharing. Rates includes breakfast and VAT

Check in: 4:00pm

Check out: 11:00am

Meals: All meals to be paid when purchased

Valet/Garage Parking: £30 per day. Height limit to 2.0m (6.56 feet)

If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions, please contact Marilyn Gibb-Rice at president@398th.org or call her at (943) 218-1213. Also, if you need help with the hotel reservations or travel arrangements, please let Marilyn know.

Useful websites:

Hotel: <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/stnhchi-hilton-cambridge-city-centre/>

The Woodman Inn: thewoodman-inn.co.uk

St George's Church: quintetchurches.com

IWM Duxford: iwm.org.uk

Cambridge American Cemetery: abmc.gov

Coton Orchard Garden Centre: bluediamond.gg

2024 UK REUNION REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Date of arrival: _____

Transportation needed *during* reunion activities: YES _____ No _____

Veteran: _____

Squadron: _____

Names for name tags: _____

Emergency contact:

Name: _____

Relation: _____

Phone number: _____

	# Attending
25 May 2024, Saturday - 11:00AM Service at Nuthampstead	_____
25 May 2024, Saturday - 4:30PM Service at St George's Church Anstey	_____
26 May 2024, Sunday - Dinner at The Eagle Pub, Cambridge	_____
27 May 2024, Monday - 11:00AM Service at Cambridge American Cemetery	_____
27 May 2024, Monday - Lunch at Coton Garden Centre / afternoon on your own	_____
27 May 2024, Monday - Farewell Dinner at the Hilton Hotel in Cambridge	_____

Please email completed form to Marilyn Gibb-Rice at: president@398th.org

PLEASE RETURN FORM & MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2024