

**Sembach Veterans Organization
Sembach Air Base Reunion
Sembach Kaserne, Germany
September 11-14, 2012**

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The Sembach Air Base Reunion will be held in Germany on September 11 to September 14, 2012.

Travel to and from Kaiserslautern, Germany, will be at your own choice and expense.

There appear to be some good fees for travel to Germany in September, so you are urged to check with your travel agent or on-line source as soon as possible for tickets. Also check on "travel insurance" and "medical emergency insurance" if you feel the need – your travel agent can assist you in this regard.

This reunion is open to any veteran or friends of Sembach Air Base. Those not currently members of the Sembach Veterans Organization will be asked to join (no dues at present) on our website: www.sembachveterans.org. We have been working with staff at Sembach Kaserne and they expect no problems in providing us access to Sembach Kaserne and also Ramstein Air Base. Access will require detailed information from you as part of the registration and reservation process. You will need a passport (US or Allied nation) and may be subject to background check. Your passport needs to be valid for at least 6 months after the reunion date. Check in will be on September 11, at the hotel, and departure will be the morning of September 14.

Our hotel in Germany will be the Barbarossa Hof, near Sembach. The room fee will include breakfast. Many of you may know this hotel from your own time at Sembach. About 90% of their rooms are non-smoking. A few "handicapped" rooms are available. We will be touring both bases, and the local areas by charter bus. We also will have a German-American friendship event in the Sembach area, and a group dinner on our last night (most likely at the Idyll gasthaus). All bus and group events will be "non-smoking." Our hotel, bus, and group dinner will be prepaid, with fees being billed to you individually by the RTT Travel agency at Ramstein Air Base. Children may attend, inquire for specific pricing. All reservations and registrations must be made by sending Ed Albert the attached form no later than June 1, 2012. Fees are based upon a minimum group of 20 rooms. The event will take place even if fewer attend, but prices may change in that event. Because Ed must provide the travel agency with our roster and complete information (including credit card details) on one record, please return the registration form to him for security reasons only by US Mail. Fees will be billed in euros, but then converted to US dollars at the official US government rate on the date of billing.

COST

The "official events" of the reunion, including hotel (3 nights with breakfast), tour bus travel to Sembach Kaserne, Ramstein Air Base, farewell dinner, local tour, and a German-American Friendship activity, will be "prepaid" in advance. Billing will be in Euros, at the official US exchange rate. Costs, per individual are as follows:

Hotel: sharing double room:	150 euros (50 e per night, per person)
or single room:	225 euros (75 e per night)
Bus transportation:	67 euros
Group meal and German-American event:	50 euros (may be less, we'll bill actual cost)

**Total cost: Each person sharing double room: 267 euros
Each person in a single room: 342 euros**

RTT Cancellation fees will apply as follows:

From day of booking to 15 days prior: 25% of tour price

From 14 to 8 days prior: 50% of the tour price

From 7 to 2 days prior: 75% of the tour price

Later: No refund

This is a wonderful opportunity to renew friendships, both with your fellow veterans and also with German friends in the Sembach area. While much has changed – Sembach Air Base is now Sembach Kaserne, a US Army base, much will still be the same. We'll have a chance to see the local area, will invite locals to join us for a German-American friendship event. We'll also have some time to shop and just relax in the German style.

Planned schedule:

September 11 – arrive at hotel, check in = welcome reception

September 12 – morning tour of Sembach Kasern, lunch in Sembach village, local tour, German-American event in afternoon or evening

September 13 – morning tour of Ramstein Air Base, lunch in area or K-Town, local tour, shopping time, group dinner at Idyll.

September 14 – depart hotel after breakfast – complete your own travel in Europe

Please feel free to contact Ed Albert directly at: evalbert@aol.com with any questions. He is working as a volunteer currently at an Arizona state park, but will reply to you within a day or two of receiving your message.

At this time we expect our reservations to fill up fairly soon, so please consider making your formal reservation by sending in the registration form right away. Also consider making your arrangements to travel to Germany as soon as you can – there do appear to be some good fares available for travel in September.

See you at Sembach.

Ed Albert

VP Sembach Veterans Organization

Volunteer tour leader

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Registration Form - Prepare a complete form for each attendee

Fill out and return this form by US Mail only to:

Ed Albert
221 Langhorne Drive
Mount Holly, NC 28120

Registration Deadline – June 1, 2012

Name (as on your Passport):

First Name Middle name Last Name

Date of Birth (as on passport – needed for base access): mm_____dd_____yyyy_____

Are you retired US military with a DOD retiree ID Card? _____

Citizenship & Passport Number: _____
(For base access) country passport number

Home address: _____
(for mail) street city state zip

Home Phone: (____) _____ – _____
Cell Phone: (____) _____ – _____ Will you have this phone in Europe? _____
Fax number if any: (____) _____ – _____

email address: _____ Will you have access in Europe? _____

Hotel arrival date: mm_____ dd _____ yyyy_____ *Most will be 09/11/2012*

Hotel departure date: mm_____ dd _____ yyyy _____ *Most will be 09/14/2012*

Who, if anyone, are you sharing room with?: _____
Smoking room desired _____ Handicapped room requested? _____

Credit card type: MasterCard _____ or Visa _____ (only cards accepted for this reservation)
Credit card number: _____
Credit card expiration date: ____/____ **Credit card billing address zip code:** _____
Credit card code (XXX CVC# on reverse): _____

Because we need your credit card information, please use only US Mail to send this form to Ed Albert.

Credit card will be billed in Euros at the US Air Force (American) bank at the exchange rate in use by the US government on the day of the charge (no foreign transaction fee). Billing will be direct to your card by the travel agency on or about June 11, 2012. Cancellation fees apply – see reunion information sheet.

I request this reservation be made on my behalf. It is not final until my credit card has been billed by RTT Travel. I agree to abide by the cancellation policy of RTT Travel.

Signed _____ **Date** _____