



HATT's 2014 Historical Excursion to Arlington

Monday, May 12 and Tuesday, May 13

to honor William Henry Christman of Tobyhanna Township.

In 1864 at age 20, William Henry Christman left his family and the community of Tobyhanna Township to fight for his country in the Civil War. As it was for so many, he died in service, and less than two months after he enlisted, on May 11, 1864.

At the same time, a new military cemetery was being established in the Washington, D.C. area: Arlington National Cemetery. On May 13, 1864, Pvt. William Henry Christman of Tobyhanna Township was the first soldier to be buried at this now famous hallowed ground.

Since this is the 150th year of Arlington National Cemetery, our nation is honoring this treasure and those who rest there with a month-long national commemoration. The events begin on May 13 with a special wreath-laying ceremony at Pvt. Christman's gravesite. Dignitaries representing our nation are expected to be in attendance.

To learn more, read the remarkable story of Pvt. Christman and his family on HATT's website at www.TobyhannaTwpHistory.org We hope you can help us represent Tobyhanna Township at this significant national event.

TWO-DAY PACKAGE PRICE INCLUDES:

- Transportation via luxury coach from Tobyhanna Township*
- *Extensive tour of Mount Vernon Historic Site • Monday dinner*
- *Guided bus tour of Washington monuments under the lights*
- One night hotel stay • Tuesday breakfast •*
- WREATH CEREMONY AT PVT. CHRISTMAN'S GRAVE**
- Historic tour of Arlington National Cemetery*
- All gratuities and taxes*
- See Fact Sheet for details.*

PACKAGE PRICE PER PERSON: \$245 for double occupancy of hotel room

One per room: \$307 • Three per room: \$234 each • Four per room: \$223

Questions: 570-646-7235 or hatthistory@msn.com

DEADLINE: April 4 — NOTE: No refunds for cancellations after April 4.

Name(s) _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Enclosed Payment for Room Occupancy: Single Double Triple Quad

Make checks payable to Treasurer-HATT and mail to HATT, PO Box 2084, Pocono Pines, PA 18350

HATT Arlington Trip Fact Sheet

May 12 & 13, 2014

Monday, May 12

- Motor Coach: Provided by Motor Transportation Company, Inc., Hazleton. They were used for HATT's trip last year, with 100 percent satisfaction. There is a restroom on board. *Cost of the motor coach, including gratuity and taxes, is included in the tour price.*
- Departure: 8 a.m. from Lake Naomi Club Parking Lot, Miller Drive, Pocono Pines. Cars may be left here for two days at no cost; lot is lit overnight and patrolled.
- Arrival: Expected arrival time in northern Virginia is approximately 1 p.m. We will have lunch on our own at the Mount Vernon Food Court, which has a reasonably priced, extensive lunch menu. *NOTE: Cost of lunch is NOT included in the tour price.* View menu at www.mountvernon.org/visit/where-to-eat
- Mount Vernon Tour: We will Mount Vernon, the plantation estate of President George Washington and First Lady Martha overlooking the Potomac River. The afternoon will be spent touring the Ford Orientation Center, the mansion and historic area, the Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center and nearby distillery and gristmill sites. *Cost of admission is included in the tour price.* For more information, visit www.mountvernon.org.
- Monday dinner: We will have our evening dinner at **Buca Di Beppo**, an Italian restaurant in Washington, D.C. *Cost of dinner with pre-selected menu, gratuity and tax is included in the tour price.* The restaurant website is <http://www.bucadibeppo.com/restaurants/dc/washington,-dc/>
- Monument Tour: This spectacular tour of the monuments, under the lights, will be conducted by a certified tour guide. We will view the U.S. Capitol, the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, the National World War II Memorial, the Air Force Memorial and the Iwo Jima/Marine Corp War Memorial. Stops will be made at these last two, to allow for more time and closer viewing. *Cost of tour, gratuity and tax is included in the tour price.*
- Hotel: A hotel cannot be reserved and booked until a final reserved count of attendees is known. But we do know it will be in the category of a Fairfield Inn, and located in the general area of Dulles Airport. Single, double, triple or quad occupancy rooms are available (See registration form). *Cost of room charge and tax is included in the tour price.*

Please note: We expect to arrive and check into our hotel at approximately 9:30 p.m. Monday



Tuesday, May 13 (Tentative)

Please note that until officials at Arlington National Cemetery announce the exact time of the wreath ceremony for Pvt. Christman, the times and order of our activities cannot be finalized.

Breakfast: Continental breakfast at the hotel. *Cost is included in the tour price.*

The Ceremony: Arlington National Cemetery will conduct this ceremony. Although Pvt. Christman's gravesite is very accessible, it does require some walking. From the bus parking area to the welcome center is about a block or two in distance. Then from the welcome center to the gravesite is approximately five city blocks — about a 20-minute walk. We will allow time in our schedule so those who may need to pause during the walk, may do so.

Following the ceremony, the Historical Association of Tobyhanna Township will honor Pvt. William Henry Christman with a wreath for his gravesite.

Cemetery Tour: Included in our time at Arlington National Cemetery is a guided tram tour. We will allow a minimum of two hours to tour Arlington National Cemetery (ANC). The tram makes stops at the Kennedy grave sites, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers and the Arlington House. ANC Tours uses a mixture of live and recorded narration on the trams. The Changing of the Guard ceremony occurs at the Tomb of the Unknowns every 30 minutes, on the hour and the half hour. Cost of the tram tour is included in the tour price. For more information: www.arlingtoncemetery.mil

Lunch: Lunch on our own at the Pentagon City Food Mart. *Cost of lunch is NOT included in our tour price.*

Return trip: We will depart at approximately 2 p.m., and expect to arrive back home in Pocono Pines at approximately 7 p.m.

Special Needs: Should you have special dietary needs or require special hotel room accommodations or any other special arrangements, please contact Rick Bodenschatz by May 1. 570-646-7235 or rick-boden@msn.com

Emergency Contact: The following phone numbers may be used to contact us during the trip: 570-646-7235 • 610-850-5095 • 610-639-4824