

Information Form
Meuse-Argonne.com Battlefield Tours

Please fill out this form as completely as possible; but don't be afraid to leave it blank or write I don't know. The information you provide will help Randal plan the itinerary and level of activity on the trip.

After you have filled out the form, scan it or take a picture of it and send it to Randal at lavarenes@meuse-argonne.com.

You can also reach Randal at 908.451.0252 or write him at 584 Valley Road, Gillette, NJ 07933.

Primary Contact Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____

Secondary Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Itinerary Details—Always Subject to Change

Dates Requested: _____

Estimated Duration (in Days): _____

Desired Meeting Point: _____

Meeting Date and Time: _____

What Transportation will you have: _____

Where will you stay: _____

Party Details

Number in Party: _____

Names, Ages and Endurance / Physical Ability: _____

For Endurance / Physical Ability please use the following adjectives: Very Impaired, Somewhat Impaired, Average, Above Average, and Exceptional. (I will tailor the level of activity based on your comments. For example, if everyone was above average or better, I would consider a several mile hike of the terrain. If someone is very impaired, it is more likely that the tour would be largely by car with photo opportunities at each stop. However, walking—especially on uneven surfaces—would be kept to a minimum.

French Language Proficiency

On a Scale of 1 (no Language) to 100 (fluent), what is the proficiency level of the best French speaker in Your Party:

Party Interest Level

Estimated Interest Level of those in Party: Please Circle

Not at all Somewhat Moderately Interested Very Interested

Additional Comments: _____

(To some degree, I will tailor the time “in the field,” at museums, or shopping / visiting towns etc. to reflect the level of interest.)

Reason for the Pilgrimage

What are You Interested in Visiting—Be as specific as possible: _____

- Feel free to use the back to provide more information, if needed.

Tour Preferences:

_____ We prefer to be “in the country” hiking and exploring the battlefields

_____ We prefer visiting museums, cemeteries, memorials

_____ We prefer a mix of both

_____ We would also like advice / accompaniment on cultural, sight-seeing and
And shopping tips in the region.

Other Items to Consider:

What to Expect on the Tour

- Participants should plan to spend most of the day on the tour.
- Generally, Randal will meet the party after breakfast between 0800 and 0930 hours; and he will leave the party between 1700 and 1800.
 - Dinner time in France is generally 2000 hours. Arriving back a few hours earlier gives participants time to rest and clean up for dinner.
- In most case, Randal will provide a simple, picnic lunch “in the field.” There are very few restaurants outside of larger towns. Also, one can easily spend more than an hour at lunch.
- As indicated above, Randal will work with the organizer to meet the physical ability and interest level of the tour participants. (So, the above rules can be changed.)
- The tour will take place regardless of weather conditions, so it is important to read the “Weather, Packing, Travel and Hygiene” page of Randal’s website. Here is a link to the page: http://meuse-argonne.com/?page_id=229.
 - Expressing it differently: Visiting the battlefields is not the same as visiting trendy restaurants and night clubs in Paris. Clothing and footwear for this portion of the day should be sturdy and practical, given the weather considerations. Do not wear shoes or clothing that you do not want to get muddy. You can change and clean-up before dinner.
- To the extent that you are retracing the steps of a relative, Randal will work to provide as much background information as possible, and the sites visited will be tailored to the relative and his / unit as possible.
 - The more information, photos, etc. that you can provide Randal ahead of time, the more likely he will be able to line up “then and now” photos, etc.