

## **IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## 2024 ANNUAL SUBMARINE VETERANS OF WWII MEMORIAL WEEK

**ST. MARYS, Ga.,** (29 April 2024) – The St. Marys Submarine Museum, in partnership with Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, and the TRIDENT Base of United States Submarine Veterans Inc. (USSVI), is proud to announce that the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Submarine Veterans of WWII Kings Bay Memorial Week will be held this year from Wednesday, 23 October through Sunday, 27 October 2024. The Memorial Ceremony itself will be Friday, October 25th at 1000 at the Submarine Veterans of WWII Memorial Pavilion onboard Submarine Base Kings Bay.

Normally held the first week of November each year, the dates have been moved up one week in 2024 due to the annual GEORIGA/FLORIDA College Football game held in Jacksonville being scheduled for Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Hotels fill up all over the Southeast Georgia/Northeast Florida area for this big college rivalry.

Registration Packets for our event are expected to be sent out sometime between 01 and 15 July this summer, and as always our Host Hotel will be the Sure Stay Best Western in St. Marys (912-882-6250). We thank Melissa Braun and her staff for taking great care of us during this special week for our veterans and families.

We look forward ahead to another outstanding year and thank all of our partners both on and off the Subase in advance for assisting us in honoring the heroes of our force, both those who have gone before and those serving our nation now in the Silent Service.



WWII Submarine Veteran Pat Zilliacus (USS SPOT - SS 413), Submarine Veteran Lee Rogers, WWII Submarine Veteran Tony Faella (USS SPREARFISH – SS 190) and his wife Betty with RDML TR Buchanan following the 2023 WWII Memorial Ceremony 03 November 2023.