

Greater Birmingham Convention & Visitors Bureau

REUNION PLANNERS GUIDE



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A GUIDE TO MEMORABLE REUNIONS

BIRMINGHAM

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Welcome to Birmingham, a city that celebrates ties to the past and the reuniting of friends and family.

Reunions were practically invented in the South. Southerners hold their personal histories and connections in high regard. We have a sense of knowing who we are and where we came from. Reunions allow us to reaffirm the significance of whom we've known and what we've done . . . and to celebrate with joy our coming together again.

People like being in Birmingham. This is a generous city, blessed with geographical good fortune and a stock of year-round entertainment. With a metropolitan population of nearly a million people, this is also a big city. Birmingham, however, embodies that Southern trait of counting family and friends more important than population statistics.

And now you're planning a reunion in Birmingham. There are many details to see to—good planning is hard work. The Greater Birmingham Convention & Visitors Bureau is here to help. Contained within is a guide to planning your reunion, with suggestions for lodging, social functions, entertainment, and group outings. Birmingham loves reunions. Welcome. You're going to have a great time.

The success of your reunion depends on its early groundwork.

Whether it is a military reunion, family reunion, school reunion, or a gathering with friends, our complimentary pre-planning services include assistance with contacting hotels, caterers, local attractions, area parks, and banquet facilities—saving you countless steps and phone calls.

BROCHURES

The Greater Birmingham Convention & Visitors Bureau will provide, at no cost to you, tourist information and attractions maps for your reunion. These brochures are provided per family based on availability.

PLASTIC BAGS

A popular item for packaging reunion material is our drawstring bags (15" x 18"), which are imprinted with the Birmingham logo. They are available for a minimal cost.

NAME BADGES

Remember the face, but not the name? A great way to reacquaint with family and friends is to have everyone wear a name badge. The inserts come with 4" x 3" plastic holders. They are available on perforated 8 1/2" x 11" card stock with six per sheet at minimal cost.



**MORE
INFO**

If you would like more information on our complimentary reunion services, please contact the Greater Birmingham Convention & Visitors Bureau, Tourism Department at, 205-458-8000 or 800-458-8085, or visit us at inbirmingham.com.



TEN REASONS REUNIONS LOVE BIRMINGHAM



EASY ACCESS

Birmingham sits in the heart of the Southeast. Travel is easy via Amtrak, major interstates and the Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport.



AFFORDABLE DIGS

The group can save some money with Birmingham's great rates in a vast selection of lodging.



GOOD EATS

People in Birmingham love to cook and love to eat. The city is widely known as "Dinner Table of the South."



PLACES TO PLAY

Public parks are abundant in Birmingham and Jefferson County.



SERIOUS SHOPPING

High-end boutiques and outlet malls invite visitors to get their shopping spree on.



WORLD-CLASS GOLF

With Birmingham's moderate weather, it's tee time practically year-round. Public golf includes courses along the state's Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail.



EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT

learn about Birmingham's beginnings in the iron and steel industry on the Historic Red Ore Express Tour. Visit significant places from America's Civil Rights Movement.



WE LOVE THE NIGHTLIFE

Live music is Birmingham's signature entertainment. Find it every night of the week at clubs and music venues.



FUN AND GAMES

It's fun to be a kid in Birmingham. From The Birmingham Zoo and Birmingham Barons Baseball to Alabama Adventure & Splash Adventure, it's all good fun.



HOTEL LIST

BESSEMER

Best Western Plus Bessemer
Hotel & Suites
5041 Academy Lane
35022-5250

Budget Motel Bessemer
3010 9th Avenue North
35020-3546

Comfort Inn Bessemer
5051 Academy Lane
35022-5250
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Country Inn & Suites Bessemer
4985 Academy Court
35022-5250
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Economy Inn
1113 9th Avenue Southwest
35022-4529

Fairfield Inn & Suites
Birmingham/Bessemer
4980 Academy Court
35022-5471
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hamilton Inn Bessemer
4910 Civic Lane
35022-7820
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton-
Bessemer
5526 Academy Drive
35022

Hiway Host Motel
4301 Bessemer Super Highway
35020-2494

Holiday Inn Express Hotel
& Suites Bessemer
5001 Academy Drive
35022-5250
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Holiday Inn & Suites Birmingham West
4703 Bell Hill Road
35022
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Home2Suites Bessemer
2144 Eastern Valley Road
35022

Motel 6 Bessemer
1000 Shiloh Lane
35022-4596

Red Roof PLUS & Suites
Birmingham-Bessemer
4985 Academy Court
35022

Sleep Inn Bessemer
1259 Greenmor Drive
35022-6437

Woodspring Suites
5535 Academy Drive
35022-8501

BIRMINGHAM

America's Best Inn
Birmingham East
9225 Roebuck Parkway East
35206-1510

America's Best Inn Birmingham
Airport Hotel
5101 Messer Airport Highway
35212-3030
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

American Interstate Motel
5921 1st Avenue North
35212-1607

America's Best Value
Inn-East/Irondale
1813 Crestwood Boulevard
35210-2031

Anchor Motel
4121 3rd Avenue South
35222-1918

Anchor Motel Eastlake
8420 First Avenue North
35206-2704

Apex Motel
1900 33rd Avenue North
35207-3338

Bama Motel
6712 First Avenue North
35206-5016

Baymont Inn & Suites
Birmingham/Vestavia
1466 Montgomery Highway
35216-3607
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Birmingham Best Western
Carlton Suites Hotel
140 State Farm Parkway
35209-7186
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Birmingham Garden Inn & Suites
7901 Crestwood Boulevard
35210-2611
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Birmingham Marriott
3590 Grandview Parkway
35243-1946
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Birmingham Motor Court
1625 Third Avenue West
35208-4205

Budget Motel
1548 Bankhead Highway West
35214-4847

Comfort Inn Airport
4965 Montevallo Road
35210-2418
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Comfort Inn & Suites at
CrossPlex Village
2341 CrossPlex Boulevard
35208

Country Inn
& Suites By Carlson
4400 Colonnade Parkway
35243-3365

Courtyard by Marriott
Birmingham Downtown/UAB
1820 5th Avenue South
35233-1809
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Days Inn Birmingham/Summit Mall
4627 US Highway 280 South
35242-5039
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Days Inn Birmingham/West
905 11th Court West
35204-1806

Double Tree Perimeter Park
Birmingham/Lakeshore
520 Wildwood Circle North
35209-7199
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Drury Inn & Suites
Birmingham Southeast
3510 Grandview Pkwy
35243-1929
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Drury Inn & Suites
Birmingham Southwest
160 State Farm Parkway
35209-7186
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Elyton Hotel
Autograph Collection by Marriott
1928 1st Avenue North
35203-4008
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Embassy Suites Birmingham
2300 Woodcrest Place
35209-1304
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Extended Stay America
Perimeter Park South
12 Perimeter Park South
35243-2326

Quality Inn and Suites
Birmingham Inverness
707 Key Drive
35242-4880

Hampton Inn Colonnade
3400 Colonnade Parkway
35243-2355
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hassinger Daniels Mansion
Bed and Breakfast
2028 Highland Avenue
35205-3802

Hilton Birmingham
Perimeter Park
8 Perimeter Park South
35243-2326
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hilton Birmingham - UAB
808 20th Street South
35205-2795
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hilton Garden Inn
Downtown
250 18th Street South
35233
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Holiday Inn Airport
5000 Richard Arrington Jr
Boulevard North
35212-1497
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Holiday Inn Express Hotel
& Suites Inverness
156 Resource Center Parkway
35242-8095
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Home2 Suites
Birmingham Colonnade
Opening Spring 2018

Home2 Suites Downtown
250 18th Street South
35233
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Homewood Lodge
103 Greensprings Highway
35209-4903

Homewood Suites
1016 20th Street South
35205-2606

Hospitality Inn
2127 7th Avenue South
35233-3105

Hotel Indigo
at Five Points South
1023 20th Street South
35205-2622

Howard Johnson Inn Birmingham
275 Oxmoor Road
35209-4705
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

InTown Suites
Birmingham Central
90 Oxmoor Road
35209-6410

InTown Suites Birmingham North
1100 Huffman Road
35215-7502

Kings Inn Civic Center/UAB
1313 Third Avenue North
35203-1730

La Quinta Inn Birmingham
Cahaba Park South
513 Cahaba Park Circle
35242-5011

Motel 6 Birmingham
151 Vulcan Road
35209-4701

Motel 8 Inn
5009 First Avenue North
35212-3101

Ramada Birmingham Airport
5216 Messer Airport Highway
35212-3033
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Relax Inn
6101 First Avenue North
35212-1611

Renaissance Ross Bridge
Golf Resort & Spa
4000 Grand Avenue
35226-6201
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Residence Inn Birmingham
Downtown at UAB
821 20th Street South
35205-2713
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Sheraton Birmingham Hotel
2101 Richard Arrington Jr
Boulevard North
35203-1101
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Siesta Motel
2510 Crestwood Boulevard
35210-2094

Sky Inn
6000 First Avenue North
35212-1610

Sonesta Select
4300 Colonnade Parkway
35243-2399
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Southern Comfort Motel
725 Third Avenue West
35204-4018

SpringHill Suites Birmingham
Colonnade
3950 Colonnade Parkway
35243-2382
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

SpringHill Suites
Birmingham Downtown
2024 4th Avenue South
35233-2046
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

StudioPLUS Deluxe Studios
Birmingham Inverness
101 Cahaba Park Circle
35242-5001

Sun Inn
1573 Bessemer Road
35208-4094

The Kelly Birmingham
2027 1st Avenue North
35203

The Redmont Hotel
2101 5th Avenue North
35203
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

The Westin Birmingham
2221 Richard Arrington Jr
Boulevard North
35203
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Tourway Inn
1101 Sixth Avenue North
35203-1503

Tutwiler Hotel Hampton
Inn & Suites
2021 Park Place
35203-2717
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

USA Economy Lodge Homewood
400 Beacon Parkway West
35209-3106

FAIRFIELD

America's Best Inn Hotel
Fairfield
6400 Kelco Place
35064-1828
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

FORESTDALE

Travelers Rest Motel
1066 Forestdale Boulevard
35214-3856

FULTONDALE

Comfort Suites Fultondale
1325 Old Walker Chapel Road
35068-1659
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Days Inn Fultondale
616 Decatur Highway
35068-0476

Fairfield Inn & Suites
Birmingham Fultondale/I-65
1795 Morris Avenue
35068-1675
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Home2Suites by Hilton
Birmingham
3289 Lowery Parkway
35068

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
Birmingham North-Fultondale
An IHG Hotel
1701 Main Street
35068

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
Birmingham-Fultondale
1733 Fulton Road
35068-1669

La Quinta Inn
& Suites Fultondale
1207 Boots Boulevard
35068-1697

GARDENDALE

Best Western Plus Gardendale
842 Thompson Street
35071-4602
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Microtel Inn & Suites Gardendale
850 Odum Road
35071-4618
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Springhill Suites by Marriott
Gardendale
260 City Street
35071

HOMEWOOD

Aloft Birmingham Soho Square
1903 29th Avenue South
35209-2617
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

America's Best Inn Birmingham/
Homewood
251 Summit Parkway
35209-4731

Candlewood Suites Birmingham/
Homewood
400 Commons Drive
35209-6963

Comfort Inn Homewood
226 Summit Parkway
35209-4732
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Country Inn & Suites Homewood
485 Wildwood Circle North
35209-7107
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Courtyard by Marriott Homewood
500 Shades Creek Parkway
35209-4418
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Econo Lodge Oxmoor
195 Oxmoor Road
35209-5956

Extended Stay America Wildwood
40 State Farm Parkway
35209-7179

Four Points by Sheraton
492 Wildwood Circle North
35209-0132
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hampton Inn-I65/Lakeshore Drive
30 State Farm Parkway
35209-7179
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

La Quinta Inn & Suites -
Birmingham/Homewood
60 State Farm Parkway
35209-7179
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Quality Inn Homewood
155 Vulcan Road
35209-4701
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Sonesta ES Suites
50 State Farm Parkway
35209-7179
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Sun Suites of Birmingham
424 Commons Drive
35209-6963

Super 8 Homewood
Birmingham Area
140 Vulcan Road
35209-4702

TownePlace Suites by
Marriott - Homewood
500 Wildwood Circle North
35209-7199

Valley Hotel Homewood
Birmingham
2727 18th Street, South
[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

HOOVER

Courtyard by Marriott Hoover
1824 Montgomery Highway South
35244-1208

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Days Inn Galleria
1800 Riverchase Drive
35244-1008

Econo Lodge
1535 Montgomery Highway
35216-4595

Embassy Suites
Birmingham/Hoover
2960 John Hawkins Parkway
35244-1087

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hampton Inn & Suites
Hoover- Galleria
4520 Galleria Boulevard
35244-5304

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Holiday Inn Hoover
2901 John Hawkins Parkway
35244-1095

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hyatt Place Birmingham/Hoover
2980 John Hawkins Parkway
35244-1087

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hyatt Regency Birmingham,
The Wynfrey Hotel
1000 Riverchase Galleria
35244-2399

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Microtel Inn & Suites Hoover
500 Jackson Drive
35244-1031

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Residence Inn Hoover
2725 John Hawkins Parkway
35244-4004

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

IRONDALE

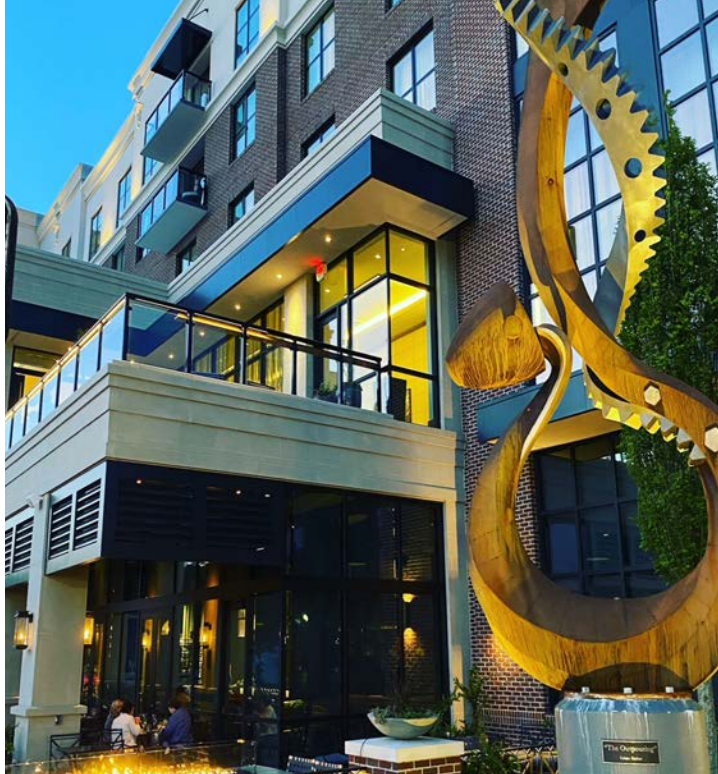
Hampton Inn & Suites
Airport Area
Birmingham-East I-20
3910 Grants Mill Road
35210-1204

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Holiday Inn Express Irondale
811 Old Grants Mill Road
35210-1233

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Quality Inn Irondale
3910 Kilgore Memorial Drive
35210-1204



USA Economy Lodge Irondale
7941 Crestwood Boulevard
35210-2697

LEEDS

America's Best Value Inn-Leeds
1093 Higrove Parkway
35094-1700

Hampton Inn Leeds
310 Rex Lake Road
35094-3421

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

MOUNTAIN BROOK

Grand Bohemian Hotel
Mountain Brook
2655 Lane Park Road
35223

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hampton Inn Mountain Brook
2731 Hwy 280 South
35223-2405

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

TRUSSVILLE

Comfort Inn & Suites Trussville
4740 Norrel Drive
35173-2634

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Courtyard by Marriott Trussville
3665 Roosevelt Boulevard
35235-3193

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hampton Inn Trussville
1940 Edwards Lake Road
35235-3716

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Hilton Garden Inn Birmingham/
Trussville
3230 Edwards Lake Parkway
35235-3198

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Holiday Inn Express Trussville
5911 Valley Road
35173-1071

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Quality Inn Trussville
4730 Norrel Drive
35173-2634

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

VESTAVIA

Days Inn Birmingham/
Vestavia Hills
1485 Montgomery Highway
35216-3633

Hilton Garden Inn Liberty Park
2090 Urban Center Parkway
35242-2537

[Banquet/Meeting Space](#)

Red Roof Inn
1466 Montgomery Highway
35216-3633

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Birmingham, AL 35203

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Hoover, AL 35216

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1200 10th Avenue South
Birmingham, AL 35294

alysstephens.org

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(P) 205.780.5656

331 Cotton Avenue Southwest
Birmingham, AL 35211

arlingtonantebellumhomeandgardens.com

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2829 7th Avenue South
Birmingham, AL 35233

redmountainchurch.org/avontheater

B&A WAREHOUSE

(P) 205.326.4220

1531 1st Avenue South
Birmingham, AL 35233

bawarehouse.com

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(P) 205.699.7275

6030 Barber Motorsports Parkway
Leeds, AL 35094

barbermuseum.org

BESSEMER CIVIC CENTER

(P) 205.424.7469

1130 9th Ave SW

Bessemer, AL 35022

bessemeral.org/civic-center

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(THE CITY OF BESSEMER)

(P) 205.425.0655

100 14th Street South Hwy 150

Bessemer, AL 35020

bessemeral.org/recreation-center

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(P) 205.424.9540

801 Golf Course Rd

Bessemer, AL 35022

bessemeral.org/frank-house

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2612 Lane Park Road

Birmingham, AL 35223

bbgardens.org

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520 16th Street North

Birmingham, AL 35203

bcri.org

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birminghamcrossplex.com

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2100 Richard Arrington Jr Blvd N

Birmingham, AL 35203

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(P) 205.254.2565

2000 Rev. Abraham Woods Jr Blvd N

Birmingham, AL 35203

artsbma.org

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400 Graymont Avenue West

Birmingham, AL 35204

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Birmingham, AL 35210

birminghamracecourse.com

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109 19th Street North

Bessemer, AL 35020

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1930 Rev. Abraham Woods Jr Blvd N

Birmingham, AL 35203

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(P) 205.919.5859

213 Richard Arrington Jr Blvd S

Birmingham, AL 35233

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301 Green Springs Avenue South

Birmingham, AL 35205

canvaseventcenter.com

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521 3rd Avenue West

Birmingham, AL 35204

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(P) 205.324.9633

2908 Highland Avenue
Birmingham, AL 35205

clubhouseonhighland.com

COMEDY CLUB STARDOME

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1818 Data Drive
Hoover, AL 35244

stardome.com

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3400 1st Avenue North
Birmingham, AL 35222

concordiaclub.org

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1500 Daniel Payne Drive
Birmingham, AL 35214

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1056 Tin Mill Road
Dolomite, AL 35061

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800 19th Street North
Birmingham, AL 35203

djdtheater.org

EAST PINSON VALLEY RECREATION CENTER

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Birmingham, AL 35215

ENSLEY LOFT LIVE

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Gardendale, AL 35071

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Birmingham, AL 35218

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Birmingham, AL 35234

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20 32nd Street North
Birmingham, AL 35222
slossfurnaces.com

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Birmingham, AL 35216
eventsatsoiree.com

SOUTHERN MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

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4343 73rd Street North
Birmingham, AL 35206
southernmuseumofflight.org

THE BARN AT SHADY LANE

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290 Sunbelt Parkway
Bessemer, AL 35022
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stpaulsbhm.org

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Birmingham, AL 35203
florentinebuilding.com

THE HOPE BUILDING

(P) 205.585.0201

1901 Avenue E Ensley
Ensley, AL 35218
hopebusiness.org

THE NEST

(P) 205.538.1350

130 41st Street South
Suite 101
Birmingham, AL 35222
thenestbham.com

THE PARTHENON

(P) 205.202.6162

2210 1st Avenue North
Birmingham, AL 35203
[birminghamalphas.org/
the-parthenon-cc](http://birminghamalphas.org/the-parthenon-cc)

THE PURPOSE CENTER AT DANNON

(P) 205.441.3598

2324 5th Avenue North
Birmingham, AL 35203
eventatdannon.com

THE SONNET HOUSE

(P) 205.699.7490

1487 Montevallo Road SW
Leeds, AL 35094
thesonnethouse.com

THE STAR LIGHT IN HOMEWOOD

(P) 205.422.4105

2901 Linden Avenue
Homewood, AL 35209

thestarlighthouse.yolasite.com

TRUSSVILLE CIVIC CENTER

(P) 205.655.9486

5381 Trussville-Clay Road
Trussville, AL 35173

trussvilleparks.org/civic-center

UNITY EVENT CENTER

(P) 205.919.3490

397 4th Avenue SW
Bessemer, AL 35022

VENUE 3131

(P) 205.277.9118

3131 Allison-Bonnett Memorial Drive
Hueytown, AL 35023

venue3131.com

VIRGINIA SAMFORD THEATRE

(P) 205.726.2921

1116 26th Street South
Birmingham, AL 35205

virginiasamfordtheatre.org

VULCAN PARK AND MUSEUM

(P) 205.933.1409

1701 Valley View Drive
Birmingham, AL 35209

vulcanpark.org

WATERMARK PLACE

(P) 205.425.4529

4500 Katie's Way
Bessemer, AL 35022

watermarkplaceal.com

WOODROW HALL

(P) 205.599.2160

5504 1st Avenue North
Birmingham, AL 35212

woodrowhall.com

WORKPLAY

(P) 205.879.4773

500 23rd Street South
Birmingham, AL 35233

workplay.com

ZOO LODGE AT THE BIRMINGHAM ZOO

(P) 205.879.0409

2630 Cahaba Road
Birmingham, AL 35223

birminghamzoo.com



MORE

INFO

The above list is a sample of banquet facilities. Please contact the Greater Birmingham Convention & Visitors Bureau Tourism Department at 800-458-8085 or 205-458-8000 for additional facilities located in Jefferson County.



ATTRACTIONS

1. A.G. GASTON MOTEL

In 1963, the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. regularly stayed in Room 30 at the motel, meeting there with other civil rights activists to plan the scope of the Birmingham campaign. Also that year, a bomb was detonated below Room 30 causing extensive damage. The motel has been closed since the 1970s until Birmingham officials allocated money to restore the historic landmark.

1510 5th Avenue, North
birminghamal.gov/gaston

2. ALABAMA JAZZ HALL OF FAME

Outside on the sidewalk, visitors can feel the rhythm. From the boogie-woogie beginnings of Clarence "Pinetop" Smith to the velvet crooning of Nat King Cole, legendary jazz greats are immortalized in the Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame, within the historic Carver Theatre. Interactive exhibits also recall the contributions of Sun Ra and His Intergalactic Space Arkestra, along with Duke Ellington, Lionel Hampton, and Erskine Hawkins.

1631 4th Avenue North
205.327.9424
jazzhall.com

3. ALABAMA ADVENTURE & SPLASH ADVENTURE

Alabama's greatest water adventure! Create water fun your way, whether it's relaxing by the wave pool and enjoying the lazy river or amping up the excitement with monster slides, water-based obstacle course, water maze, zipline and more! Experience special events throughout the season, such as dive-in movies! Great for the family or a larger group outing.

4599 Alabama Adventure Parkway
Located off Exit 110 at I-459 & I-20
205.481.4750
alabamasplash.com

4. ALABAMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

Displays include memorabilia from the late University of Alabama Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant, a tribute to Olympic great Jesse Owens, and other displays showcasing the careers of Alabama connected sports figures such as Hank Aaron, Willie Mays, and Joe Louis.

2150 Richard Arrington Jr
Boulevard North
205.323.6665
ashof.org

5. ALABAMA THEATRE

Built in 1927, the Alabama Theatre is one of the nation's last operating movie palaces, featuring first-run and revival films, concerts and other special events. The "Mighty Wurlitzer" organ still rises from the orchestra pit and is often played to accompany silent films. Tours by appointment. Visit the website for special events schedule.

1817 3rd Avenue North
205.252.2262
alabamatheatre.com

6. ALABAMA VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

Amid peaceful Alabama woodlands, you can peruse the names of Alabamians lost to war. A timeline in the Memorial Walkway outlines historic events of the 20th and 21st centuries; visitors will find descriptions of Alabama's 23 Medal of Honor recipients of the 20th century; and in the courtyard, Medal of Honor stories appear on columns with artwork and letters.

100 Overton Road
205.985.9488
alabamaveterans.org

7. ALABAMA WINE TRAIL

Wine enthusiasts are delighted to find vineyards and wineries in the greater Birmingham area. Be sure to sample the robust muscadine and delicate peach wines made from local fruit. Call for information on tours, wine tastings and hours of operation.
alabamawinetrail.net

8. CORBIN FARMS WINERY

800 Highway 87, Calera
(exit 234 off I-65 S)
205.685.0655
vizzinifarmswinery.com

9. OZAN VINEYARD & CELLARS

173 Highway 301, Calera
(exit 228 off I-65 S)
205.668.6926
ozanwine.com

10. MORGAN CREEK VINEYARDS

181 Morgan Creek Lane, Harpersville
(26 miles on Highway 280 East)
205.672.2053
morgancreekwinery.com



11. ALDRIDGE GARDENS

Aldridge Gardens, a 30-acre natural garden with a five-acre lake and beautiful hydrangeas, now features the largest Frank Fleming Collection in the area, an art gallery on site and sculptures throughout the property.

3530 Lorna Road, Hoover
205.682.8019
aldridgegardens.com

12. AMERICAN VILLAGE

This Colonial-style village is set on more than 100 rural acres, just south of Birmingham. Costumed interpreters guide visitors on a trip back in time to America's journey for independence. Bring your imagination and sense of adventure.

3727 Highway 119
205.665.3535
americanvillage.org

13. ARLINGTON ANTEBELLUM HOME AND GARDENS

The city's only antebellum home, the mansion is fully restored and contains a fine collection of antiques and decorative arts including 19th century furniture, textiles, silver and paintings. During the Civil War, Arlington Antebellum home was spared from destruction when Union troops used the home as headquarters.

331 Cotton Avenue Southwest
205.780.5656
arlingtonantebellumhomeandgardens.com



14. BARBER VINTAGE MOTORSPORTS MUSEUM

Noted in the Guinness Book of World Records as the world's largest motorcycle museum, Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum is home to more than 1,600 vintage and modern motorcycles and racecars and the largest collection of Lotus cars as well as other significant makes. Approximately 600 of the 1,600 motorcycles in the collection are on display at any given time. These bikes range from 1902 to current-year production. Common street bikes are represented, as well as rare Grand Prix race machinery. The museum is adjacent to Barber Motorsports Park, a world-class 2.3 mile road course and home to the Honda Grand Prix of Alabama.

6030 Barber Motorsports Parkway
205.699.7275
barbermuseum.org

15. BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Included in the National Monument district is Birmingham's Bethel Baptist Church, credited with shaping the Civil Rights Movement here. Civil rights legend, the Reverend Fred L. Shuttlesworth, was pastor of Bethel Baptist Church from 1953 through 1961. The church often served as a gathering place for discussions of civil rights among Blacks, gatherings that angered white supremacists. In 1958, Bethel Baptist was bombed, though the church was empty at the time. The bombing cemented Shuttlesworth's fiery determination to bring Birmingham to the center of the Civil Rights Movement.

3200 28th Avenue North
205.322.5360
civilrightstrail.com/attraction/bethel-baptist-church-birmingham

16. BIRMINGHAM BOTANICAL GARDENS

The glory of nature in the heart of the city—that's the promise of the 67-acre Birmingham Botanical Gardens. The gardens are Alabama's largest living museum with more than 10,000 different plants in 25 themed areas. The gardens also have more than 30 works of original outdoor sculpture and miles of walking paths. The Birmingham Botanical Gardens also have the largest public horticulture library in the U.S., conservatories, a wildflower garden, two rose gardens and Japanese Garden with a traditionally crafted teahouse.

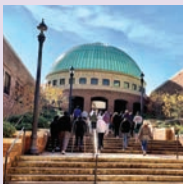
2612 Lane Park Road
205.414.3900
bbgardens.org

17. BIRMINGHAM CIVIL RIGHTS INSTITUTE

Designated part of the Birmingham Civil Rights National Monument, the Civil Rights Institute reveals slices of Black and white life in Alabama from the late 1800s to the present. A series of galleries tells the stories of daily life for African-Americans in the state and the nation and how dramatically different it was from the lives white people of that era took for granted. The powerful Movement Gallery presents the Civil Rights Movement from 1955 to 1963. Here a picture emerges of the bad old days of “Bombingham,” a reference to the relentless violence that rocked the city in the late 1950s and early ‘60s. In the final exhibits, the Processional Gallery uses life-size figures representing all ages and races to portray the Walk to Freedom.

520 16th Street North
205.328.9696

bcri.org



18. BIRMINGHAM CIVIL RIGHTS HERITAGE TRAIL



The Birmingham Civil Rights Heritage Trail winds through downtown, marking significant locations along civil rights march routes. Designed as a self-guided tour, the route includes signs marking actual civil rights events that occurred on the very streets that are a part of this trail.

Beginning at Kelly Ingram Park, corner of 6th Avenue North and 16th Street

[Follow maps on signs.](#)

19. BIRMINGHAM HOLOCAUST EDUCATION CENTER

The Birmingham Holocaust Education Center (BHEC) seeks to educate the people about the history of the Holocaust so that new generations will apply the lessons of the Holocaust to the construction of a more just, humane, and tolerant future. By preserving and sharing the stories of local Holocaust survivors and commemorating the events of the Holocaust and the lives of those who perished, the BHEC seeks to promote a moral and ethical response to prejudice, hatred, and indifference for the benefit of all humanity.

bhecinfo.org



20. BIRMINGHAM MUSEUM OF ART

The Birmingham Museum of Art has one of the finest collections in the Southeast. More than 27,000 objects represent a rich panorama of cultures, including Asian, European, American, African, Pre-Columbian and Native American. Highlights include the museum's collection of Asian art, considered the finest and most comprehensive in the Southeast, and its collection of Vietnamese ceramics, one of the finest in the world; a remarkable Kress collection of Renaissance and Baroque paintings, sculpture, and decorative arts from the late 13th century to the 1750s; and the museum's world-renowned collection of Wedgwood, the largest outside of England.

2000 Reverend Abraham Woods Jr
Boulevard
205.254.2565
artsbma.org



21. BIRMINGHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

The main library is made up of two stunning buildings, the East Building with its dramatic atrium and the 1927 Linn-Henley Research Library with its beautiful wall murals. Hundreds of visitors come to the main library each year to access their extensive genealogical resources.

2100 Park Place
205.226.3600
bplonline.org

22. BIRMINGHAM RACE COURSE

A spacious pari-mutuel racing facility, the Birmingham Race Course is open year-round. Patrons enjoy simulcast greyhound racing from the country's top racetracks. Must be 19 or older to play.

1000 John Rogers Drive
205.838.7500
birminghamracecourse.com

23. BIRMINGHAM ZOO

One of the state's most popular attractions, the Birmingham Zoo is an ever-evolving adventure. Visitors come from around the Southeast to see shows such as the Rhino Encounter, the Giraffe Feedings, the Lorikeet Aviary, the Predator Zone and the Sea Lion Splash Show. Trails of Africa is a mixed-species exhibit that includes a bull elephant herd, red river hogs, giraffes, wildebeest, zebras and more. Concessions and dining on site.

2630 Cahaba Road
205.879.0409
birminghamzoo.com

24. CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST COMMITTEE/FOOTSOLDIERS

The Civil Rights Activist Committee is a non-profit 501(c)(3) cooperation who documents the countless stories of Foot Soldiers. The written record of the Foot Soldiers stories are documented for historical preservation.

1707 4th Avenue North
205.518.0321
cracfootsoldiers.wixsite.com/footsoldiers



24. ETERNAL WORD TELEVISION NETWORK – EWTN

One of the best known religious sites in Birmingham is EWTN, the Eternal Word Television Network, founded by Mother Mary Angelica, broadcasting daily from the grounds of Our Lady of the Angels Monastery. Mother Angelica hosted “Mother Angelica Live!” on EWTN until she suffered a debilitating stroke in 2001. Today daily Mass, music, news and devotionals are broadcast round the clock to millions of homes in 140 countries.

5817 Old Leeds Road, Irondale
205.271.2900
ewtn.com



25. HEART OF DIXIE RAILROAD MUSEUM

Alabama’s official railroad museum, the Heart of Dixie Railroad Museum has operating standard gauge and narrow gauge trains and two restored depots housing a good collection of railroad artifacts. Also on the grounds is a collection of railway cars, locomotives and cabooses. Train rides available—call for dates and times.

1919 9th Street, Calera
205.668.3435
hodrrm.org

26. HIGH POINT CLIMBING AND FITNESS

Alabama’s largest rock climbing facility brings world class climbing to our state with 25,000 square feet of indoor climbing surface featuring walls up to 52+ feet tall. This facility offers a Kid Zone, Bouldering Room, weight and aerobic rooms, and yoga classes. High Point can accommodate a wide variety of groups including reunions.

4766 Highway 280
Birmingham, AL 35242
205.981.9190
highpointclimbing.com

27. KELLY INGRAM PARK

Called a “Place of Revolution and Reconciliation,” Kelly Ingram Park in Birmingham’s Civil Rights District is adjacent to the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute and historic Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. The park served as a staging area for demonstrations in the early 1960s, including the ones in which police dogs and fire hoses were turned on marchers. Images of those attacks haunted Birmingham in the decades that followed, but they were the same images that were instrumental in overturning legal segregation. An audio tour, available via your cell phone, takes you on a journey through the most dramatic days of the Civil Rights Movement in Birmingham.

Bounded by 16th and 17th Streets and 5th and 6th Avenues North.





28. MCWANE SCIENCE CENTER

Four floors of hands-on exhibits and an IMAX Dome Theatre are all part of the fun of learning at McWane Science Center. Celebrating science and discovery, the exhibits include everything from dinosaurs to space travel. Play tunes with your feet on the Giant Piano, and learn about gravity with a daring ride on the High Cycle. Pet the sharks and stingrays in the Shark & Ray Touch Tank, and check out the Zoetrope for visual illusions of motion from still pictures.

200 19th Street North
205.714.8300
mcwane.org

29. MERCEDES-BENZ US INTERNATIONAL VISITORS CENTER

Mercedes-Benz US International (MBUSI) in nearby Vance builds the M-Class, the R-Class and the GL-Class vehicles. The visitors center, the first one of its kind outside Germany, displays the star studded history of Daimler-Benz. This architectural showcase brings to life the company's long-held vision of producing the most excellent automobiles in the world.

11 Mercedes Drive
Vance, Alabama
205.507.2252
mbusi.com



30. NEGRO SOUTHERN LEAGUE BASEBALL MUSEUM

This interactive museum, which features an on-site research center, tells the story of the Birmingham Black Barons and other baseball greats who played at Birmingham's Rickwood Field, the oldest ballpark in the country. Displays include the oldest Negro League trophy, along with uniforms and artifacts. Located at Regions Field on the corner of 1st Ave. S. and 16th St. S.

120 16th Street South
205.581.3040
birminghamnslm.org

31. OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

More outdoor adventure can be found at Alabama's largest state park. The 10,000-acre park has a sandy beach area fronting the lake, rental boats and fishing equipment, an 18-hole golf course, and some of the best mountain biking trails in the Southeast. The Wildlife Center and Treetop Nature Trail give visitors up-close views of hawks and owls that cannot be released into the wild. Overnight accommodations also are available within the park.

200 Terrace Drive, Pelham
205.620.2520
alapark.com/oakmountain

32. ALABAMA PEANUT COMPANY

That tantalizing aroma wafting down historic Morris Avenue comes from peanuts toasting in century-old roasters. This is a must-see stop for visitors, if only to admire the magnificent old machinery while the children feed pigeons along the cobblestone streets. They also specialize in many flavors of boiled peanuts, a Southern delicacy.

2016 Morris Avenue
205.837.4781



33. PEPPER PLACE SATURDAY MARKET

The Pepper Place Saturday Market is a much-anticipated weekly event, taking place Saturday mornings from early spring through late fall. The region's farming families converge on a lot in the Lakeview District to sell fresh to sell fresh fruits and vegetables, fresh-baked breads, cakes and pies, and even fresh honey. Local musicians and Birmingham's chefs join the farming community and market patrons for entertainment and cooking demonstrations. A former Dr. Pepper bottling plant, Pepper Place is also known for its shops that have made it a premier design center.

2829 2nd Avenue South
205.802.2100
pepperplacemarket.com

34. RAILROAD PARK

A 21-acre park in downtown Birmingham gives the city a historically rich green space for recreation, concerts, and special events. Called Railroad Park, the area is designed to highlight Birmingham's development at the crossing of two railroad lines. The park runs along a railroad corridor at First Avenue South from 14th to 18th Streets and includes a lake, a natural amphitheater and several playgrounds.

1600 1st Avenue South
205.521.9933
railroadpark.org

35. RED MOUNTAIN PARK

With 1,200 acres, Red Mountain Park is one of the largest urban parks in America. The park has more than 10 miles of trails and a universal access zipline canopy tour. The Hugh Kaul Beanstalk Forest is a treetop challenge course with 20 ropes course obstacles, including bridges, tightropes, and ziplines. Remy's Dog Park is designed with three designated fenced in areas, each with ample running space for large, small, and special needs dogs. The Kaul Adventure Tower is an 80-foot-tall climbing tower with eight climbing lanes, two rappelling lanes, a 72-foot climbing wall, and a mega zipline 1,300 feet long.

PARK ENTRANCE
2011 Frankfurt Drive
redmountainpark.org





36. RICKWOOD FIELD

Built in 1910, Rickwood Field is America's oldest baseball park. During its heyday, Rickwood hosted baseball greats such as Jackie Robinson, Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Lorenzo "Piper" Davis, Willie Mays and "Shoeless" Joe Jackson. Friends and fans eagerly await the annual Rickwood Classic, a game that pits the AA Birmingham Barons against a regular Southern League rival. The authenticity of Rickwood is being carefully preserved by the Friends of Rickwood Field, a non-profit organization devoted to the restoration and upkeep of the historic ball field.

1137 2nd Avenue West
205.458.8161
rickwood.com

37. SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

The Sixteenth Street Baptist Church is Birmingham's most famous civil rights landmark. On a September Sunday morning in 1963, four African-American schoolgirls were in the basement of the church just prior to the worship service. A bomb set by Ku Klux Klansmen ripped through that side of the church, killing 14-year-olds Carole Robertson, Cynthia Wesley, Addie Mae Collins, and 11-year-old Denise McNair. The bombing was a turning point in the status of race relations locally and nationally. Now a National Historic Landmark, the church is a reminder of man's inhumanity and his capacity for love and forgiveness. The sanctuary of the church contains a massive stained glass window of Christ, given in memoriam from the people of Wales following the bombing.

1530 6th Avenue North
205.251.9402

16thstreetbaptist.org



38. SLOSS FURNACES NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

Sloss is a 32-acre blast furnace plant where iron was made for nearly 100 years. Now a museum of history and industry, the site preserves a collection of machinery, buildings and industrial structures. These artifacts typify the first 100 years of Birmingham's history and the technology that drove America's rise to world industrial dominance. Sloss is the only 20th century blast furnace in the country being preserved and interpreted as a museum. Additional interest at Sloss is the speculation that the furnaces are haunted by a former foundry man.

Donations welcome.
20 32nd Street North
205.324.1911
slossfurnaces.com



39. SOUTHERN MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

The Southern Museum of Flight is dedicated to investigating, preserving and promoting the rich stories of Southern aviation. Among the top exhibits are Korean War jets, the Tuskegee Airmen diorama, the Lake Murray B-25, and the Vietnam War helicopters. Ship models and full-size aircraft carriers are also in the collection.

4343 73rd Street North
205.833.8226
southernmuseumofflight.org

40. TANNEHILL IRONWORKS HISTORICAL STATE PARK

With more than 1,500 acres for hiking and camping, Tannehill is well suited for outdoor recreation. The old ironworks and a collection of 19th century buildings give visitors a glimpse into life in Alabama in the 1800s. Steeped in history, Tannehill has a cotton gin, a pioneer farm, a working gristmill and a country store, along with the Iron and Steel Museum with artifacts from Alabama's iron industry heritage. The third weekend of each month from March through November, shoppers and swappers come from near and far to Trade Days in search of quilts, clothing, jewelry, knives, furniture and other treasures.

12632 Confederate Pkwy, McCalla
205.477.5711
tannehill.org

41. VULCAN PARK AND MUSEUM

Vulcan is the largest cast iron statue in the world and Birmingham's unofficial city symbol. Standing high atop Red Mountain, the 56-foot-high statue has an observation balcony on its pedestal for a panoramic view of the city. Vulcan is patterned after the mythical Roman god of the forge, a nod to the city's powerful position in the iron and steel industry in part of the 20th century. The statue was created as Birmingham's exhibit in the 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis and won the exposition's grand prize. The museum at Vulcan has a Visitors Information Center, along with interactive exhibits and displays that portray the region's history and progress.

1701 Valley View Drive
205.933.1409
visitvulcan.com



The Gang's All Here: Birmingham Welcomes All Types of Reunions

FAMILY & FRIENDS

When you hear the word “reunion,” thoughts of family gatherings generally come to mind. Family reunions make up a generous portion of reunions held in Birmingham. Round up the brothers and sisters, Mama and Daddy, all the nieces and nephews—even some of the in-laws you wish would stay home. Gather them up and bring them together.

SCHOOL

Maintain those ties to people who were important to you in earlier times. Schoolmates have a special place in our lives; they share a history that no one else has with you. Valuable friendships shouldn't fall by the wayside. Get busy gathering contact information and bring the whole gang back together. Even if it's not where you went to school, Birmingham is an easily accessible central location for classmates from around the Southeast.

MILITARY

Shared history is a strong tie, and a history shared together in the military is a special bond. Birmingham has long honored the service of America's veterans with the country's oldest and largest Veterans Day observance. In 1947, Raymond Weeks, a Birmingham native and officer in the U.S. Navy, began the city's Veterans Day celebration and parade. And that's only one reason Birmingham is a popular host for military reunions. Here are others:

Alabama Veterans Memorial – Set amid peaceful woodlands, this striking memorial holds the names of Alabamians who have died in service to their country. A timeline in the Memorial Walkway outlines historic events of the 20th and 21st centuries, and towering columns show the power of war through art and letters.

Alabama National Cemetery – The Department of Veteran Affairs purchased this 479-acre site on Highway 119 in nearby Montevallo. The immaculate grounds for

both casket and cremation burials reflect pride and dignity in the last resting place of many Alabama veterans.

American Village
– This Colonial-style village set on 100 rural acres guides visitors on America's journey to independence. American Village is an in-demand location for hosting military celebrations and reunions.

Southern Museum of Flight
– Attractions of interest to military reunions include this museum, preserving the rich stories of Southern aviation. Among the exhibits are Korean War jets, a Tuskegee Airman diorama, the Lake Murray B-25, and helicopters used in Vietnam.

No matter what type reunion you're looking to plan, the Greater Birmingham Convention & Visitors Bureau is an essential partner.

Along with valuable suggestions for activity locations, the CVB can also assist with lodging, vendors, brochures and other helpful planning information.

ASSEMBLE A COMMITTEE

Select people that will work to ensure the reunion is a success. If the reunion is of a large scale, you may want to create sub-committees that will handle particular tasks. You might consider committees to handle the lodging, activities, transportation, meals, communications, and other assignments that need coordination. Share the work with your committee members. There are lots of details that must be worked out.

SET A DATE

Send a survey to members to determine interest in a reunion. You need an idea of how many people would attend, what dates would work best, budget, type of activities, and type of accommodations. If you have a relatively small number of people involved, this can be done by phone.

SELECT A LOCATION

Once you have established a date, an approximate number of attendees and budget, it's easier to select a location. Depending on the size of your group, you may qualify for group discounts or special offers. Be sure to ask about their group policy before making reservations. Also, request a copy of the confirmation letter or contract from all entities. Be sure it includes the name of your group, dates, number of participants, per person cost or group price, cancellation

terms, and any other pertinent details. Review this letter/contract thoroughly before signing and address any questions or concerns immediately.

TRANSPORTATION

Transporting your reunion members to various activities is an easy task. Many reunion committees charter buses when they host large group outings, such as those to banquet facilities or amusement parks. In Birmingham and Jefferson County, we offer several transportation options, including buses.

INVITE THE PARTICIPANTS

Now that you have decided on the itinerary and all the logistics, it is time to send out invitations. Include the finalized dates and times, locations, maps, driving directions, schedule of events, additional costs, and contact person(s).



PARKS & RECREATION



PICNIC SHELTERS



FOOTBALL FIELD



BAR-B-QUE GRILLS



BASKETBALL COURTS



PLAYGROUND FACILITIES



TENNIS COURTS



SOFTBALL/BASEBALL FIELD



SWIMMING POOL

* INDICATES A RECREATION OR COMMUNITY CENTER AT THIS LOCATION.

** INDICATES A RENTAL-ONLY FACILITY AT THIS LOCATION.

4th Ave History Park

1700 4th Ave North, 35203 (.18 acres)

Brother Bryan Park

2100 Magnolia Ave, 35205 (2.2 acres)

A.G. Gaston Park

916 Washington Ave S.W., 35211 (2.77 acres)

Caldwell Park

2500 Highland Ave, 35205 (2.69 acres)

**Alma P. Dennis Park**

1801 Ave Z, Ensley, 35218 (.43 acres)

Central Park

4700 Terrace Q, 35208 (8.67 acres) *

Altamont Park

4100 Altamont Rd, 35210 (9.63 acres)

City Park

426 Rosewood St, 35210 (22.13 acres)

Arthur Shores Park

1221 19th St North, 35203 (2.67 acres)

Clairmont Park (Triangle)

4341 Clairmont Ave, 35222 (.8 acres)

Avondale Park

4101 5th Ave South, 35222 (36.5 acres) **

**Community Center**

9225 Airport Rd, 35207 (2.58 acres) *

Barker Park

2215 13th Ave North, 35203 (1.39 acres)

Cooper Green Park

112 Dorothy Dr S.W., 35211 (96.53 acres) *

**Bessie Estell Park**

901 8th St South, 35205 (5.20 acres)

**Crestline Park**

1104-B Kingsbury Ave, 35213 (2.7 acres)

Birmingham Botanical Gardens

2612 Lane Park Rd, 35223 (67.5 acres) **

Crestwood Park

5400 Crestwood Blvd S, 35212 (12.11 acres)

**Bradford Park**

1 Bradford Park Dr, 35234 (165.75 acres) **

Crowell-Young Memorial Park

500 Athens Circle, 35212 (1.79 acres)

Dolomite-Westfield Park I

1069 Tin Mill Rd, 35061 [36.56 acres] **



Ellsberry Park (VP #37)

2320-B 13th Place North, 35207 [.43 acres]

Dolomite-Westfield Park II & III

3537 Lewis St, 35061 [30.58 acres]

Elyton Park

101 Princeton Ave S.W., 35211 [1.78 acres]



Dorothy Spears Park

700 13th Ave West, 35204 [23.72 acres]

Ensley Park

2800 Ave K, Ensley, 35218 [30.8 acres] *

Downey Park

6800 Dublin Ave, 35212 [10.31 acres]



Erskine Hawkins Park

1900 Ensley Ave, 35218 [1.19 acres]

East Brownville Park

3913 Felix Ave S.W., 35221 [4.58 acres]

Evergreen Park

1867 16th St North, 35204 [1.05 acres] **

East Lake Park

8101 4th Ave North, 35206 [60.22 acres]



Exchange Park

2315 20th Place, Ensley, 35208 [2.69 acres]

East Pinson Valley

3000 Jefferson State Pkwy, 35215 [? Acres] *

Fairmont Park (VP #5)

3101 51st Ave North, 35207 [1.15 acres]

Echo Highlands Park

1800 Indian Summer Dr, 35215 [12.86 acres]

Fairview Park

2501 28th St, Ensley, 35208 [1.93 acres]

Eddie Kendricks Memorial Park

1727 4th Ave North, 35203 [.18 acres]

Fountain Heights Park

1101 15th Ave North, 35204 [14 acres] *

Elder St Nature Park

311 Elder St, 35210 [37.12 acres]

Garden Highland Park

2431 Nabors Rd, 35211 [4.75 acres]

Eldorado Park

930 Eldorado Dr, 35235 [6.23 acres]

George Ward Park

1901 Greensprings Ave, 35205 [83.73 acres]



Germania Park

3000 Pearson Ave S.W., 35211 (20 acres)

Hooper City Park

3901 4th St West, 35207 (11.82 acres) *



Grasselli Heights Park

4300 Viola Ave S.W., 35211 (.33 acres)

Howze-Sanford Park

320 Ave D, Pratt City, 35214 (10.93 acres) *

Grayson Park

1041 Five Mile Rd, 35215 (4.03 acres)

Hugo Black Park

2801 Niazuma Ave, 35205 (.87 acres)

Green Acres Park II

6919 Court N, Ensley, 35228 (9.14 acres)



Inglenook Park

4016 37th Ave North, 35217 (5.91 acres) *



Greenwood Park

1632 Tallapoosa St, 35207 (36.14 acres)

Jenny Justo Park

300 Killough Circle, 35215 (.33 acres)

Hairston Baseball Complex

3724 6th St West, 35207 (6.11 acres)

Jimmie Hudson (Sandusky) Park

305 Pratt Highway, 35214 (1.45 acres) *

Hanover Park

2776 Hanover Circle, 35205 (.35 acres)

Kelly Ingram Park

500 17th St North, 35203 (3.68 acres)

Harriman Park

4345 F.L. Shuttlesworth Dr, 35207 (.26 acres)*

Key Circle Park

2800 Key Circle, 35213 (.14 acres)

Harrison Park

1615 McMillan Ave S.W., 35211 (6.55 acres) *



Learning Tree Park

4831 Court V, Ensley, 35208 (2.45 acres)

Highland Park

3300 Highland Ave, 35205 (97.39 acres) **



Lewis Park

6600 Interlaken Ave, 35212 (3.25 acres)

Hillman Park

4549 Park Ave S.W., 35221 (.56 acres)

Linn Park

711 20th St North, 35203 (7.05 acres)

Lowery Park

1600 Mims Ave S.W., 35211 (10.71 acres)

Lynn Park

416 82nd St North, 35206 (7.3 acres)

Maclin Park

2701 F.L. Shuttlesworth Dr N, 35217 (7.18 acres)

Marconi Park

630 25th St North, 35203 (3.71 acres)

Martin Luther King Jr. Park

529 43rd St North, 35222 (5.35 acres) *

McAlpine Park

701 11th St, Ensley, 35218 (8.34) *

McLendon Park

400 Graymont Ave West, 35204 (68.22 acres)

McMahon Park

2720 Ave W, Ensley, 35208 (6.86)

Memorial Park

524 6th Ave South, 35205 (7.18 acres) *

Minnieville Park

5500 14th Ave, Wylam, 35224 (2.57 acres)

North Birmingham Park

3501 28th St North, 35207 (13.42 acres) *

Norwood Park

1420 28th St North, 35234 (6.55 acres)

Norwood Boulevard Park Trail

1420 Norwood Blvd, 35234 (18.84 acres)

Oak Mountain State Park

200 Terrace Dr, 35124 (9,940 acres)

Overton Park

834 Oak St, 35210 (1.07 acres)

Oxmoor Park (Sandridge)

2354 Wenonah-Oxmoor Rd, 35211 (9.41 acres)

Oxmoor Valley Community Center

1992 Wenonah-Oxmoor Rd, 35211 (24.55 acres)*

Patton Park

1200 Sipsey St, 35207 (21.1 acres) **

Phelan Park

1450 14th Ave South, 35205 (.38 acres)

Pine Knoll Park

9914 Wood Ave, 35217 (.78 acres)

Pratt City Park

1331 3rd St, Pratt City, 35214 (15.82 acres)

Rail Road Park

1600 1st Ave S, 35233 (19 acres)



Ramsay Park I-A

3600 Montclair Rd, 35213 (.84 acres)

**Sherman Heights North Park (VP #6)**

1434 Slayden Ave, 35224 (10.5 acres)

Ramsay Park I-B

3601 Country Club Rd, 35213 (5.46 acres)

Sherman Heights South Park (VP #18)

2701 Slayden Ave, 35224 (3.02 acres)

Ramsay Park II

3500 Country Club Rd, 35213 (3.38 acres)

**Smithfield Estates Park**

707-B Huntington Dr, 35214 (16.42 acres)

Red Mountain Park

2800 Highland Ave, 35205 (1,500 acres)

Spring Haven Park

1-B 14th Ave S.W., 35211 (1.53 acres)

Rhodes Park

2800 Highland Ave, 35205 (3.2 acres)

**Spring Water Park**

1400 Midland Ave, 35224 (6.74 acres)

Rickwood Mini-Park

201 11th St West, 35204 (1.97 acres)

Stockham Park

4221 8th Ave North, 35212 (6.52 acres)

Roebuck Park/Hawkins

8920 Roebuck Blvd N, 35206 (113.29 acres) *

Tarpley City Park

3220 Wenonah Rd S.W., 35211 (1.12 acres)

Roosevelt City Park

5904 Higan Ave, 35228 (7.68 acres) *

**Thomas Park**

538 5th St West, 35204 (.38 acres)

Rotary Trail

1 Twentieth St South, 35203

Tuxedo Park

1301 Ave T, Ensley, 35218 (3.37 acres)

Rozelle Reynolds Park

6126 Ave O, Ensley, 35228 (1.89 acres)

Tuxedo Heights Park (VP #41)

531 Alder Ave, 35214 (.26 acres)

Rushton Park

3000 Highland Ave, 35205 (4.37 acres)

**Underwood Park**

2621 10th Ave South, 35205 (2.71 acres)

Valley View Park

1816 16th Ave South, 35205 (1.18 acres)

West Goldwire Park

2749 Ishkooda Wenonah Rd, 35211 (2.53 acres)

Vulcan Park

1701 Valley View Dr, 35209 (9.72 acres) ***

Wiggins Park

3301 Jefferson Ave SW, 35221 (18.4 acres)*



Vulcan Park Trail

1852 R. Arrington Jr. Blvd S, 35209 (8.56 acres)

Willow Wood Park

5312 Georgia Rd, 35212 (2.87 acres)*



Wahouma Park

216 71st St North, 35206 (16.13 acres)



Woodward Park

1215 McMillan Ave SW, 35211 (8.8 acres)



West Brownville Park

5201 Jefferson Ave S.W., 35221 (1.84 acres)

Wylam Park

1101 Detroit St, 35224 (13.43 acres)



West End Walking Trail

633 Cotton Ave S.W., 35211 (.22 acres)



The Birmingham parks system offers visitors the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors in ways that encourage conservation, healthy lifestyles and the observation of nature. In addition to athletic facilities for organized competition, our parks provide numerous areas for recreational play and family gatherings.

**MORE
INFO**

For a more comprehensive list of parks and recreation centers, contact Birmingham Park & Recreation at 205-254-2391 or go to <https://www.birminghamal.gov/parks-and-recreation/parks/>





GOLF COURSES

Ballantrae Golf Club

1300 Ballantrae Club Dr.

Bent Brook Golf Course

900 Dickey Springs Rd.

Don A. Hawkins/Roeback Municipal Golf Course

8920 Roeback Blvd.

FarmLinks Golf Club

2200 FarmLinks Blvd.

Frank House Municipal Golf Course

801 Golf Course Rd.

Highland Park Golf Course

3300 Highland Ave.

Horse Creek Golf Course

1745 Hwy. 78

Limestone Springs Golf Course

3000 Colonial Dr.

The Meadows Golf Course

#1 Plantation Dr.

Oak Mountain Golf Course

Oak Mountain St. Park Rd.

Renaissance Ross Bridge Golf Resort & Spa

4000 Grand Ave.

Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail at Oxmoor Valley

Oxmoor Valley • 100 Sunbelt Pkwy.

Timberline Golf Club

300 Timberline Trail

REUNION TIMETABLE

Below is a suggested timeline and checklist to assist in organizing your reunion planning.

24-18 MONTHS BEFORE YOUR REUNION

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Determine interest in attending a reunion (survey potential attendees) <input type="checkbox"/> Choose Location <input type="checkbox"/> Set a date <input type="checkbox"/> Contact Convention and Visitors Bureau <input type="checkbox"/> Recruit a planning committee and schedule meetings | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Assign responsibilities (attendance, finance, communication, venue, food, activities, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Brainstorm activities, entertainment and food based on the theme <input type="checkbox"/> Investigate any events permits or other requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Develop budget and bookkeeping system (estimate costs, determine admission price) |
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ONE YEAR BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Gather contact information or update contact list <input type="checkbox"/> Send first mailer; "save the date" (include tentative reunion schedule and plans and approximate cost) <input type="checkbox"/> Collect starter money (if a first-time reunion) or evaluate balance from the last reunion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Open a reunion bank account (if you don't have one) <input type="checkbox"/> Set up a reunion website and/or Facebook page <input type="checkbox"/> Set up an email template for your registration confirmation message |
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MONTHS BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve hotel block of rooms <input type="checkbox"/> Send second mailer; include hotel information to make reservation, registration and souvenir order forms and cost <input type="checkbox"/> Begin souvenir directory/list of attendees, memory book <input type="checkbox"/> Book the reunion venue <input type="checkbox"/> Book a caterer, photographer, printer, entertainment, speaker if using <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve park | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve other services, such as tables and chairs or site clean-up <input type="checkbox"/> Apply for permits <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare map/directions to event site <input type="checkbox"/> Design the invitation and tickets (if using) <input type="checkbox"/> Order mementos and souvenirs <input type="checkbox"/> Begin preparing personal histories, digital presentations, or other reunion handouts or displays <input type="checkbox"/> Contact government officials for welcome letters, proclamations or acknowledgments |
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5 MONTHS BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Confirm reservations, entertainment, photographer, caterer<input type="checkbox"/> Choose menu<input type="checkbox"/> Announce event to local news media, elected officials | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Note milestones to acknowledge at the reunion, such as anniversaries, graduations, etc.<input type="checkbox"/> Look for sales of non-perishable supplies, such as decorations, plates, cups and napkins<input type="checkbox"/> Airline reservations |
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4-2 MONTHS BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Send reminder announcement (include enticing reunion details)<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with hotel staff, visit facility with reunion committee<input type="checkbox"/> Select decorations, theme, signs, banners and order printed items | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Reserve rental equipment<input type="checkbox"/> Submit personalized souvenir order (t-shirts, mugs, caps, etc.)<input type="checkbox"/> Get event insurance as required |
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4-6 WEEKS BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Send reminder announcement<input type="checkbox"/> Complete directory/memory book; deliver to the printer<input type="checkbox"/> Update attendees list<input type="checkbox"/> Write checklist for reunion tasks<input type="checkbox"/> Designate assignments for reunion volunteers<input type="checkbox"/> Determine venue layout<input type="checkbox"/> Make name tags<input type="checkbox"/> Make table centerpieces and other decorations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Prepare photo collage<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare signage (marking the venue, registration area, drinks, bathrooms, etc.)<input type="checkbox"/> Finalize schedule<input type="checkbox"/> Recruit helpers for set-up and clean-up<input type="checkbox"/> Inventory items needed on-site and who is responsible for bringing each one<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare a reunion survey |
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2 WEEKS BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Finalize attendees (make nametags as needed) <input type="checkbox"/> Reconfirm meeting, sleeping and eating accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> Send reminders or tickets if using them <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare list of paid guests (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Confirm event details with all vendors and suppliers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Finalize announcements and deliver to emcee <input type="checkbox"/> Verify delivery of donated door prizes <input type="checkbox"/> Finalize and print any handouts and labels <input type="checkbox"/> Confirm who's bringing what <input type="checkbox"/> Shop for nonperishable supplies <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase last minute decorations and incidental supplies |
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ONE WEEK BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Update attendance list with last minute guests <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare additional name tags or registration packets <input type="checkbox"/> Set contingency plans for weather or other unexpected events <input type="checkbox"/> Finalize list of paid attendees <input type="checkbox"/> Give meal count to caterer (if using one) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Shop for perishables <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare final payment to venue and vendors <input type="checkbox"/> Confirm room setup and equipment arrangements with venue (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare checklist for the day of the reunion |
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THE DAY BEFORE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Solve last-minute problems <input type="checkbox"/> Pick up beverages, ice and food (cake, cookie trays, sandwich trays, etc.) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare food and drinks as needed <input type="checkbox"/> Deliver supplies to venue if possible <input type="checkbox"/> Review final details with reunion committee |
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REUNION DAY(S)

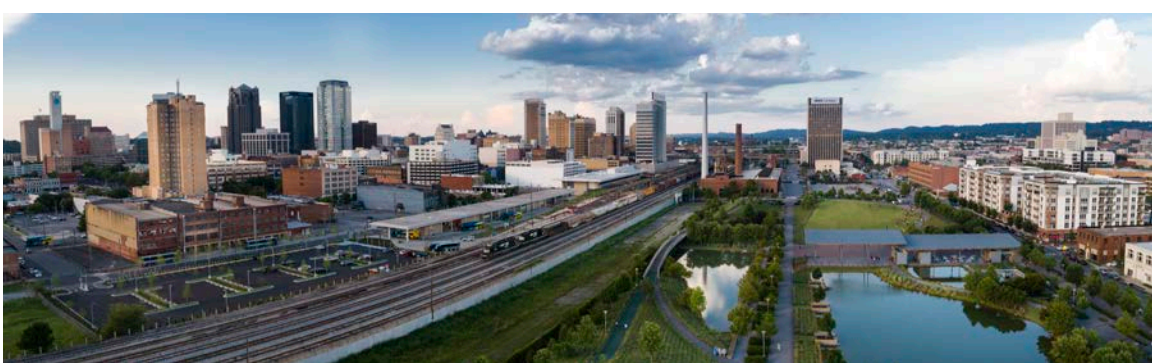
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Set up registration tables, rental equipment, displays <input type="checkbox"/> Juggle details; volunteers, food, photographer, games, entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Bring reunion day supplies (including checkbook) and checklist for the day | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Set up food and drinks <input type="checkbox"/> Set up decorations and activities <input type="checkbox"/> Have fun and enjoy the day! <input type="checkbox"/> Clean up and pack items <input type="checkbox"/> Retrieve supplies |
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SOURCE: "REUNIONS WORKBOOK"

AFTERWARD

- ☐ Reflect and evaluate — note what worked, what didn't
 - ☐ Send survey (if not distributed at event)
 - ☐ Finalize photo book and or video with photographer/videographer
 - ☐ Send memory albums and other handouts to those who paid but didn't attend
 - ☐ Send thank you notes and follow up letters (to volunteers, hotel staff, caterers)
 - ☐ Complete bookkeeping; settle accounts
- ☐ Close bank account once all checks have cleared, or keep open with a minimal balance for the next reunion
 - ☐ Store reunion supplies in convenient location
 - ☐ Evaluate survey responses
 - ☐ Meet with committee to discuss successes and pitfalls
 - ☐ Send regular updates via dedicated website, social media, email and or mailings
 - ☐ Update contact list
 - ☐ Recruit planning committee volunteers for the next reunion
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