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July 5, 2021

We have made arrangements to visit the New England Air Museum (NEAM) during our reunion on Thursday, October 14, 2021 and the special permanent exhibit of the "Reida Rae" A-26C flown by the 671st Squadron while stationed in Melun, France. The plane was completely restored by the NEAM A-26C Invader "Reida Rae" Restoration Project led by Carl Sgamboti, Honorary Veteran of the 416th Bomb Group. The airplane was presented as a memorial to the 416th Bomb Group in 2012. You may want to check out www.416th.com and click on the "Reida Rae" restoration link for more information about the airplane and NEAM.

We will depart from the hotel at 9:45 a.m. to arrive at NEAM for group check-in at 10:00 a.m. Shuttle service and transportation by those who have cars will be provided. Please check the Hospitality Room at the hotel for more information.

Our guided tour will be from 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Although lunch will not be provided, the museum has a small dining area inside with vending machines providing beverages and snacks. Outdoor picnic tables are also available weather permitting. Self-guided exploration begins shortly after the guided tour and lasts until 1:30 p.m. Our group will depart for the hotel at 1:45 p.m.

As of June 21, 2021, the state of Connecticut has removed the mandatory mask requirement for those fully vaccinated from COVID-19; however, those who are **not** vaccinated must wear a mask.

We suggest you check out the New England Air Museum at www.neam.org to view pictures of aircraft and restoration projects. The museum is the largest aviation museum in New England dedicated to preserving and exhibiting historical aircraft for over 60 years. We hope you will enjoy touring the museum with us!

Sincerely,

Kathe Rensner, Reunion Coordinator



The "Reida Rae" A-26C Invader