# Harston Family Reunion Details

## July 11-13, 2025

We are excited to host the Harston Family in Washington DC this year! The area has tons of history, shopping, great restaurants, and fun for the whole family. More details are below. For questions, please email Steven Myles at steven.myles@gmail.com

## **Reunion Fees**

\$75/adult \$45/child under 12

Reunion fees include the reunion dinner and a welcome bag. More information about the reunion T-shirts will be shared in the coming weeks. You can visit our website: <a href="https://harstonfamilyreunion.com/">https://harstonfamilyreunion.com/</a>

## **Hotel Information**



Springhill Suites by Marriott Alexandria 6065 Richmond Highway Alexandria, VA 22303

Room Rates: \$149/night taxes Include a free hot breakfast daily

Parking: \$10 a day

Rooms must be booked by June 1, 2025 Call 1-888-236-2427 to book your room or use this link

**About the hotel:** The Springhill Suites Alexandria is located just minutes from our Nation's Capital, Ronald Reagan Airport, Old Town Alexandria, MGM & National Harbor! This Alexandria hotel also provides a **complimentary shuttle to the nearby Huntington Metro**.

# **Reunion Dinner**

The reunion dinner will be hosted the evening of Saturday, July 12. As we get closer to the date, we will send an email update with the location and menu options.

# The Backdrop - Washington DC

Travelers are in love with Washington, DC and 2025 will raise the bar. To explore what Washington DC has to offer visit: <a href="https://washington.org/">https://washington.org/</a>. Washington DC, and surrounding suburbs, has many attractions centered around culture, major professional sport, nature and much more. Please plan your activities based on your abilities.

## **Suggested Attractions**

1. National Museum of African-American History and Culture - <a href="https://nmaahc.si.edu/">https://nmaahc.si.edu/</a>



We are planning to reserve a block of free tickets for The National Museum of African American History and Culture!

The NMAAHC is the world's largest museum dedicated to African-American history and culture. Please be aware that touring the History Galleries in their entirety takes approximately 2 hours and will require about 1 mile of walking. One could spend much longer and plan to eat inside the cafeteria. The highest visitation is from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday through Sunday. During this timeframe, there may be long lines to access the History Galleries.

## 2. Smithsonian Institute Museums - <a href="https://www.si.edu/visit/museums">https://www.si.edu/visit/museums</a>



There are 17 museums and the national zoo in the Washington DC area, all of which are free and open to the public. Only three require free timed entry passes, NMAAHC, National Zoo, and Air and Space Museum (DC). Please visit the website for specific information.

#### 3. Frederick Douglass Home - https://www.nps.gov/frdo/planyourvisit/guidedtours.htm



Part of the National Park Service, the home of Frederick Douglass is located in the Southeast quadrant of Washington DC. The only way to get inside Frederick Douglass's historic house is to be on a guided tour. Rangers guide interpretive tours of the house on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays at the scheduled times. Tours cover the first and second floors of the house, and they last about 30 minutes. Tickets must be picked up at the visitor center before the tour time.

#### 4. Alexandria, VA



Founded in 1749 and boasting the nation's third oldest historic district, Alexandria hums with a cosmopolitan feel. Stroll Old Town Alexandria's King Street mile to find more than 200 independent restaurants and boutiques plus intimate historic museums and new happenings at the waterfront. Alexandria is the perfect home base for your D.C. vacation and an unforgettable getaway of its own.

### Other famous attractions

- White House
- Pentagon
- Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial
- Washington Memorial
- Jefferson Memorial
- Korean War Veterans Memorial
- Supreme Court
- Lincoln Memorial
- Fords Theater
- Library of Congress
- Howard University
- Arlington National Cemetery
- International Spy Museum

## **Transportation:**



Washington DC Metro connecting Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia.