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## Father and Daughter Family Members will Present on June 15-16 at the Flight 93 Speaker Series

**SHANKSVILLE, PA** – The Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial are pleased to welcome Flight 93 family members' Ed Root and Emily Schenkel as the featured guests of this weekend's Flight 93 Speaker Series at Flight 93 National Memorial in Somerset County.

During this installment of the Speaker Series, Root and his daughter will share stories about their cousin, Lorraine Bay, one of five flight attendants aboard United Airlines Flight 93 on September 11. They will also discuss their experiences in the development of the national memorial, including the much-anticipated Tower of Voices. Additionally, Schenkel will explain, as a mother, the challenges in discussing events like September 11 with her young children.

Three sessions, free and open to the public, will be held at noon and 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 15 and noon only on Sunday, June 16 in the memorial's Learning Center. Friends Board Member Sheena Baker will facilitate this month's lecture series.

This weekend's Speaker Series is the second of four such events scheduled throughout the summer. In May, Flight 93 family members' Ken Nacke and Patrick White discussed their brother and cousin, Louis J. "Joey" Nacke, one of the 40 passengers and crew members aboard Flight 93. Two additional Flight 93 Speaker Series programs are planned this summer, including:

- July 27-28: National Park Service Volunteers-in-Parks will share their unique stories on volunteering at the memorial and their connection to Flight 93 National Memorial as Ambassadors.
- August 17 (no Sunday program): Paul McNulty, president of Grove City College, will discuss his experience as the lead prosecutor in the Zacarias Moussaoui trial and later his role as deputy attorney general under George W. Bush.

The Flight 93 Speaker Series is in its third year and is sponsored by Somerset Trust Company. For more information on the Speaker Series or other events at Flight 93 National Memorial, visit [www.flight93friends.org](http://www.flight93friends.org).

#### ABOUT THE FRIENDS OF FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL

Established in 2009, the Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial is the official nonprofit partner of Flight 93 National Memorial. The Friends' aim is to inform, honor and pay tribute to the heroes of Flight 93 by supporting the Memorial with volunteers and resources. The Friends' mission is to focus on awareness, education, volunteer support, preservation and stewardship. To learn more about the Friends, make a donation to support the memorial, or become a member visit [www.Flight93Friends.org](http://www.Flight93Friends.org).

#### ABOUT FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL

On September 24, 2002, President Bush signed into law the Flight 93 National Memorial Act. The Act created a new national park unit to commemorate the passengers and crew of Flight 93 who, on September 11, 2001, courageously gave their lives thereby thwarting a planned attack on our nation's capital. The memorial is near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, where Flight 93 crashed with the loss of its 40 passengers and crew. For more information on Flight 93 National Memorial visit [www.nps.gov/flni](http://www.nps.gov/flni).

#### ABOUT THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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