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# Flight 93 Speaker Series on August 19 and 20 at Flight 93 National Memorial Family members Deborah Borza and Calvin Wilson

SHANKSVILLE, Pa. – On Saturday, August 19, and Sunday, August 20, two Flight 93 family members will share stories about their loved ones who lost their lives aboard United Airlines Flight 93, and their experiences involving the development of the memorial over the past 16 years.

Flight 93 family members Deborah Borza and Calvin Wilson will be the featured guests at a Flight 93 National Memorial Speaker Series event at the national memorial in Somerset County. Deborah's daughter, Deora Bodley, was the youngest passenger on board Flight 93 and Calvin's brother-in-law, LeRoy Homer, was the First Officer. The event will take place in the Learning Center, located adjacent to the Flight 93 National Memorial Visitor Center, at 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm on Saturday, August 19, and at 1:00 pm on Sunday, August 20. This event is free of charge and open to the public.

Deborah is past Treasurer of the Families of Flight 93, and the past Vice President and current Secretary of the Friends of Flight 93. She also participates with the PA Office of Victim Advocate as a speaker for programs held at Pennsylvania state correctional facilities. In 2015, Deborah was recognized as the Volunteer of the Year by the PA Department of Corrections.

Calvin is also a past Treasurer of the Families of Flight 93. In addition, he was appointed to the Flight 93 Federal Advisory Commission responsible for making planning, design, and construction recommendations. Calvin later served as a member of the Design Oversight Committee and on the Design Advisory Group.

New this year, the Flight 93 Speaker Series is a joint effort of the National Park Service and Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial. This is the final event of the summer-long series sponsored by Somerset Trust.

### ABOUT THE FRIENDS OF FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL

Established in 2009, the Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial is the official non-profit supporting partner of Flight 93 National Memorial. The Friends focus on awareness, education, volunteer support, preservation, and stewardship. The Friends of Flight 93 is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit, donations to which are tax deductible. To learn more about the Friends, make a donation to support the memorial, or become a member, visit <a href="www.Flight93Friends.org">www.Flight93Friends.org</a>.

## 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 <a href="https://www.nps.gov/flni">www.nps.gov/flni</a>.

#### ABOUT THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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