

The Summer Adventure

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This summer our path took us east on the US 40 to Nashville, where we enjoyed the music of the Grand Ole Opry and the Ryman Auditorium. We continued east to the Outer Banks of North Carolina; Cape Hatteras, Kitty Hawk Memorial and the Atlantic Ocean. A day trip took us to Ocracoke, the island of 'Black Beard the Pirate' fame.

Walt and I left the islands and motored up to Virginia Beach VA and then farther north to Jamestown and Williamsburg, Virginia, getting in touch with our nation's earliest history. We enjoyed a restful week seeing the sights in Washington DC, including taking in a National's Baseball game.



Janice & Walt – Cape Hatteras



Janice & Walt – New York

Walt and I traveled to Atlantic City where we walked the famous boardwalk. While camping in the area we spent a day at Wildwood Beach near Cape May. We headed even further north and spent 12 days at Jersey City, across the Hudson River from NY, NY where we were able to enjoy the view of the Statue of Liberty and see the sights of Manhattan Island from our motor home door. We took an evening ferry ride to Yankee stadium where we watched the Yankees play ball. There are no fans like the Yankee fans! We returned to their Jersey City RV Park on the ferry enjoying the lights of the "Big Apple" at night.



Walt & Janice – New York

We took tours around Manhattan, to Harlem, across the bridge to Brooklyn, Liberty Island, Staten Island and Ellis Island. We took trains, ferrys, double-decker open busses, subways and walked the northern half of Central Park (we had seen the southern half 4 years ago on a New Years Eve trip to the city to see the ball drop). Walt and I enjoyed the view and restaurants at the South Street Market. We spent a day at the NY main library looking up Walt's ancestors who arrived in America through Ellis Island.

As in all good adventures, time was catching up with us and we regretfully headed home across the US 70. We took a few days of rest and cool relaxation in the Rocky Mountains National Park, Colorado before heading into the heat of the desert and home to San Diego. Walt and I had been traveling nine weeks in a motor home and enjoyed it all! Home did look really good so now we're catching up with family and friends.