

# Top 5 Louisiana Reunion Planning Mistakes



## Free Guide: Learn how to plan a reunion that truly celebrates your Louisiana heritage

- 1. Not securing catering or organizing volunteer cooks early enough**

Whether hiring a caterer for gumbo and jambalaya or organizing family volunteers to cook, waiting too long leaves you scrambling. Professional caterers book months in advance, and coordinating volunteers requires time to plan menus, assign responsibilities, and arrange equipment. Last-minute food planning means stress, higher costs, and potentially disappointing meals.
- 2. Waiting too long to book the venue**

Popular Louisiana reunion venues: parks, community centers, church halls, and event spaces, fill up fast, especially for summer weekends. Waiting until a few months before your reunion often means settling for your third or fourth choice, paying premium rates, or scrambling to find any available space that fits your family size.
- 3. Not arranging hotel room blocks for out-of-town family**

Families traveling from across Louisiana or out of state need affordable accommodations. Negotiating a room block with local hotels provides discounted rates for your family and ensures everyone stays close together. Without advance planning, relatives pay full price and scatter across multiple hotels, reducing the reunion experience.

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#### **Failing to seek corporate sponsorships and donations**

Local businesses, national corporations with Louisiana ties, and community organizations often sponsor family reunions through cash donations, in-kind contributions, or discounted services. Many families never ask, leaving hundreds or thousands of dollars on the table that could offset costs and make the reunion more affordable for everyone.

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#### **Underestimating quantities for Louisiana-sized appetites**

Louisiana families know how to eat, and our reunions center around food. Skimping on portions for gumbo, jambalaya, po-boys, or sides leads to embarrassment when you run out. Food is hospitality, heritage, and love. Running short disappoints family and undermines the whole gathering.

## **Ready to Plan Your Best Reunion Ever?**

These 5 mistakes are just the beginning. A successful Louisiana family reunion requires detailed planning across dozens of areas: budgets, vendors, cultural traditions, food quantities, sponsorships, communications, and so much more.

That's why we created the **Louisiana Creole & Cajun Family Reunion Planning Workbook**, your complete system for planning an authentic, stress-free celebration that honors your heritage.

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