About Us

ChmieBell Tours is a Family and Veteran owned business that began over 40 years ago with Patty's father Florian and the Chmielewski Funtime Band. At that time, the family band performed at nearly every venue across the United States and Internationally for their guests adding an additional element of fun and entertainment to their tours.

Since acquiring the tour business over 10 years ago, the name of the business was transformed from Funtime Tours to ChmieBell Tours to embrace Patty and Michael as a team. Since her name is Chmielewski and his is Bell, they thought it was only fitting to combine both names and rename the business ChmieBell Tours, pronounced "Shimmy Bell". This gave it a unique characteristic and feature unlike any other since together, they personally manage and host each and every tour together. Something you won't find anywhere else!

Patty and Michael really do work as a team. Their personalities balance. Patty has constant energy and Michael is calm and charismatic and together they give one-on-one personal attention to everyone that travels with them. They pride themselves on planning quality group tours with extreme attention given to every detail of the vacation. You'll find the perfect balance of the most interesting sights and events of the destination, as well as time to relax on your own since every detail of every tour is planned out and designed by them.

They run their business out of their home in Apple Valley, MN and their only staff is each other. Their passion is genuine, and they work 24/7 so they can offer their guests vacation tours that are much more affordable since they have no overhead costs with any additional staff. They continually search to find that new and exciting attraction or destination and strive to find those secret special touches that you will not get anywhere else. You can be confident that you are experiencing the newest, most exciting, and unique experience possible in your travels with them.

They take all the worry and stress out of your vacation travel because they are both there to assist with your needs. Everything will be done to ensure your comfort and enjoyment from the time you board until the time you return home, and they create the most unique and personable environment which makes you instantly feel like family.

In addition to hosted tours, they also customize group tours for larger groups (i.e. church groups, organizations, clubs, etc.) that include custom air, motorcoach or cruise combinations. If your group is too small to fill an entire tour, they welcome you to join one of their scheduled tours.

Travel is one of the most common interests of people and an excellent way to meet new people and make new connections. When your ready for your next vacation, you will definitely want to check them out and experience for yourself, the fun and excitement that everyone is talking about with ChmieBell Tours!

Patty & Michael