

## APPLICATION FOR KVA SEOUL REVISIT TOUR

KVA (Seoul) Revisit Purpose: "To express the gratitude of the Korean Government towards Korean War Veterans who took part in the Korean War from June 25, 1950 to October 15, 1954."

### Veteran's Personal History (Please type or print)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

KWVA Members# \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Companion Name/Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran's Passport# \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Companion's Passport# \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: If you do not have a current valid passport or have just applied to KVA, write "applied for" on # line

### Veteran's Military Biography

Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Service Number \_\_\_\_\_

Period of Service in Korean War (month/year) from \_\_\_\_\_ thru \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Assignment \_\_\_\_\_ Location of Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Rank Achieved in Korea \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Rank Achieved while in Service \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Military Decorations for Valor \_\_\_\_\_

### Veterans' Certification

I hereby certify that I have never previously accepted a KVA (Seoul) Revisit tour and that I am a member in good standing (or have applied) with the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA).

Veteran's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Complete and mail this form along with a \$300 deposit per person (check, money order or Visa/MasterCard only) to Military Historical Tours. Payment in full is required for all applications submitted sixty days or less prior to departure.

### Credit Card Authorization

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby authorize Military Historical Tours to make charges to my \_\_\_\_\_

credit card, Account#: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

in consideration for airline tickets and any other travel or transportation services or products as requested by me or authorized users of this credit card. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail To:

**KWVA Revisit Korea Program** Phone: 703-212-0695  
**c/o MILITARY HISTORICAL TOURS** Fax: 703-212-8567  
**4600 Duke Street, Suite 420** E-mail: mht@miltours.com  
**Alexandria, VA 22304-2517** www.miltours.com

### Background

The Korea Revisit program was begun by the Korean Veterans Association (KVA/Seoul) in 1975, the 25th anniversary year of the outbreak of the Korean War, to express their gratitude to veterans of the War and to show them the bountiful results of their sacrifices and devotion.

### KVA's Eligibility Requirements

You are eligible if you are:

1. A veteran of the Korean War and /or a war correspondent of any of the 21 nations which came to assistance of the Republic of Korea between 25 June 1950 and 15 October 1954.

2. An immediate family member of one who was killed in action in the Korean War.

Note: You are permitted to take a spouse or one immediate descendent with you to Korea. The family member must be lodged in the same hotel room with you in Korea.

### Privileges Accorded Veterans by the KVA, Seoul

1. Hotel accommodations (two persons per room), meals, tours, and transportation, while in Korea for six days and five nights.

2. Tours of Seoul and vicinity. The visits are to Panmunjom, North Korean Invasion Tunnels, Korea War Memorial Monument, National Cemetery, National Museum, Korean Folk Village, Korean War Museum,

plus other cultural/industrial facilities and activities in the Seoul area. Other tours of battle sites and/or Incheon may be made through the local tour guide.

3. A special reception and dinner hosted by the President of the Korean Veterans Association (KVA) during which the Korea War Medal and Certificate of Ambassador for Peace will be awarded to each veteran who has not received it before.

### Sundry Notes

1. The KVA Revisit Program privileges are provided for scheduled groups only.
2. Participants are required to have a valid passport: a visa is not required for visits of 15 days or fewer in Korea.
3. KVA/Seoul is not responsible for any loss of, or damage to, personal or other items, medical expenses, injuries, or loss of like due to any accident of whatever nature during the revisits. Trip cancellation insurance is available and highly recommended.
4. Transportation costs to and from Korea will be borne by each person who participates in the program.
5. Applications will be received/accepted on a "first-come, first-served" basis.

**Note:** *If you have previously accepted an official KVA/Seoul Revisit tour from any sponsoring association or group, you are NOT eligible to participate again. The reason is that so many veterans have not gone before so they get the "first right of return."*

*Because former Revisit Program participants have their name in the KVA/Seoul's computer database, please do not try to beat the system. If your name is rejected because of prior participation, all of us will be embarrassed and an eligible Korea War veteran might miss the opportunity to participate.*

6. If you want to use your frequent flier miles or other "free" transportation, you will be charged an administrative service fee of \$300 per person.

**Caution:** Not traveling with KWVA group air contract can result in much higher post-tour costs to China and other Pacific location.

**Note:** Should you desire to have a single room or take additional family or friends with you, this can be arranged for an additional cost. Any such requests must be made in writing.

# What did you miss the most?

*We asked in the Jan/Feb 2009 issue what you missed the most while you were in Korea. Here are a couple responses.*

*Please continue to submit your "What I missed most" stories.*

### Mail

Here is a short description of what I missed the most during my time as an Infantry Rifle Platoon Leader in the Korean War in 1951...

I missed getting decent food, naps, and chances to wash up a bit. But, most of all, I missed the letters from friends and loved ones. We were always on the move, mostly step by step northward, but occasionally southward when the Chinese pushed us back.

After about a month, along with many others, I was wounded by a Chinese machine gunner. I was evacuated on a litter by a couple medics and helicopters back to a M.A.S.H. unit—just like on TV these days.

Then, several weeks later, I was patched up and back in a VA hospital in my hometown, Washington D.C. There, a bundle of mail caught up with me, 80% of which was ads and requests for donations. The other 20% was real letters. WOW!!

I sorted them out in order of postmark dates. Then, I enjoyed thoroughly the amenities of friendly correspondence, which was much better than wading through the piles of old magazines in doctors' waiting rooms.

*Morton "Pete" Wood, 1st Lt., Inf. (Ret.)  
9221 Hollyoak Dr., Bethesda, MD 20817*

### Fresh Milk & Ice Cream

What did I miss the most? It was fresh milk and ice cream.

On the way home I volunteered for KP. Guess what?

I was assigned to guard the fresh produce!

*Marvin L. Borg, 86429 582 Ave  
Concord, NE 68728, (402) 287-2582*

### National KWVA Fund Raiser Flower Rose of Sharon

The Rose of Sharon is the National KWVA fund raising flower. The Rose of Sharon is sold by the dozen.

- Sample order is 4 dozen @ \$12 plus \$3.00 S/H.
- Minimum order is 20 doz. @ \$60 plus \$5.00 S/H.

**Order from:** Earl House  
1870 Yakona Rd.  
Baltimore, MD 21234  
Phone 410-661-8950

Make Checks payable to: **Maryland Chapter – KWVA**



### Check Your Mailing Label

**Membership Number**  
First two characters reflect membership type

**Membership Dues Expiration Date.** The example shows a dues date of January 1st, 2010

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R012345 01/01/10

JOHN J. JOHN  
12345 MAIN ST  
SMILEY NY 01234-5678

**DELIVERY POINT BARCODE**

**Important:** If barcode does not extend across the full label, then your zip code does not have 9 digits and your address is not complete according to the USPS. Contact your local Post Office for proper format.

**Check your name and address** (Apt./Bldg/Lot No.). Notify the Membership Chairman if you find an error. **If your zip code does not contain 9 digits (zip+4),** your address is not correct according to the USPS. Contact your local Post Office for proper format.