

APPLICATION FOR KVA REVISIT KOREA 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 Member, # _____ Expiration Date _____

NOTE: If you have not yet received your membership # from KWVA insert "applied for."

Companion Name/Relationship _____ Date of Birth _____

List all your Addresses, (if more than one residence per year) and dates you reside in each one, no P.O Boxes.

Main/
Summer. _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Dates _____

Winter. _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Dates _____

Phone # _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Veteran's Passport# _____ Expiration Date _____

Companion's Passport# _____ Expiration Date _____

NOTE: If you do not have a passport with 6 months validity prior to travel dates, and have applied for a new one, please insert "applied for" in the space provided and contact MHT when you receive it.

Veteran's Korean Service Information

Branch of Service _____, Service Number _____

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

Veteran's Certification

I am a member in good standing (or have applied) with the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA).

Veteran's/ family member signature _____ **Date** _____

(Complete and mail this form along with a \$400.00 deposit per person (check, money order or Visa/MasterCard only) to Military Historical Tours. Payment in full is required for applications submitted prior to sixty days of tour departure.)

Credit Card Authorization

I authorize **Military Historical Tours** to charge my Visa / Master Card,

The amount of \$ 400 Credit Card # _____

Expiration date: _____ please include the 3-Digit code on back of card _____

Your name as it appears on the Credit Card _____

Korea Revisit related material please send to:

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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 re-

sults of their sacrifices and devotion.

KVA's Eligibility Requirements

UN Korean War Veterans who served in or supported ground, naval, or air operations in the Korean Theater between June 25, 1950 and October 25, 1954 or a family member of a veteran killed in action in the

Korean War are eligible to participate in the "Korea Revisit Program." A veteran is allowed to bring a family member or friend as a "travel companion."

Expanded Eligibility

1. Due to the 60th Anniversaries (2010-13) there will be more quota's available.

In addition, those that have gone on a previous Revisit tour, can apply to return again. (Call Military Historical Tours for details)

2. Widows and family members of deceased veterans, or of those veterans physically unable to travel, are also eligible to go on a Revisit tour.

Benefits and Itinerary

Free hotel accommodations and meals for 5 nights and 6 days.

Accommodation is based on (2) persons per room.

Tour of Seoul and its vicinity

Banquet hosted by the Chairman of the KVA with presentation of the "Ambassador for Peace" medal and its certificate

Day 1: Arrival and hotel check-in

Day 2: Wreath laying Korean National Cemetery, Visit the KW Memorial.

Day 3: Visit Panmunjom, Banquet.

Day 4: Tour of Korean Folk Village.

Day 5: Visit the Incheon Landing Memorial, Museum, & Freedom Park.

Day 6: Departure

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 life due to any accident of whatever nature during the revisits. Trip cancellation insurance is available and highly recommended.
 4. Hospitalization and evacuation insurance is required for and provided to all veterans and spouse/companion by MHT. Cost is contained in the administrative service charge.
 5. Transportation costs to and from Korea will be borne by each person who participates in the program.
 6. Applications will be received/accepted on a "First-come, first-served" basis.
 7. Use of frequent flyer miles-or other "free" transportation, is allowed but an administrative service fee of \$400.00 per person is still required.
- 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.

We are half way through the 60th Anniversary of the Korean War Revisit Program for 2010. All indications, from the veterans and their families who have participated thus far, describe a wonderful and warm reception from the people of Korea.

We have only one open date left for 2010, 8 - 14 November. This is the 60th Anniversary Commemoration of the "Chosin" Reservoir in November and December 1950. In addition, it will be during the Marine Corps Birthday Celebration, and we are all invited. Note: Veterans and their families of all services are cordially invited to participate! Reminder: The ROK government is now paying 50% of the veterans airfare and 30% of the spouse/companion

To register, go to KWVA website - www.kwva.org, click on Revisit Korea Tours and follow the instructions. If you don't have a computer, or desire more information, call Military Historical Tours (MHT) at 800-722-9501 or 703-590-1295 in Woodbridge, Virginia. You can also register on the MHT website at www.miltours.com. There is also an application form in this issue of The Graybeards.

Peace Camp for Youth

The ROK government commenced a Youth aged Camp for our grandchildren which has proven very successful. Established primary for college students, grandchildren of a Korean War Veteran are eligible to participate. The July Camp (during the summer break) was full for 2010. However, we have been informed that it will continue next year, 2011, so send the name(s) and your address in to Military Historical and we will send you information on the annual Peace Camp for Youth.

2011 - 2013 programs.

We have been assured by the ROK government that the Revisit Tours, and Peace Camp for Youth, will continue, at least during the 60th Anniversary years. In view of the popularity of these programs, it's not too early to get your advance registration in since KWVA requires that we maintain a "First come - First served" policy. We don't know the "exact" dates but the 2011 Revisit Tours will be in May, June, September, October and November. The Peace Camp will be in mid July.

Eligibility Relaxed

Recognizing that the veterans are getting older, the ROK government has relaxed the eligibility requirements. Yes, you can go again even if you participated in a previous Revisit Tour. Many of those going for the second time have taken a child or grandchild, to educate the next generation of where they fought the hard fight against Communism in the early 1950's. In addition, the spouse, or direct descendent of a Korean War Veteran, deceased or incapacitated (and cannot travel that great distance) can represent the veteran, and take a child/companion with them.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Warren Wiedhahn
Revisit Tour Coordinator

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