

# 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Revisit Korea Tours will continue!

We have been notified that the Revisit Korea Tours, which were started in 1975, will continue in 2011. In addition, we have been informed that the ROK government will continue to pay 50% of the veterans airfare (both domestic and international) and that they will pay 30% of the spouse/companion airfare.

We have now experienced four (4) very successful 60th Anniversary Commemorations this year in Korea. All of them were very professionally organized and the ROK military services were assigned to conduct specific events. The last one for 2010 will be the 60th Anniversary of the Chosin (Changjin) Reservoir Campaign, 8-14 November.

The 2011 specific dates have not been announced yet. However, the months are May, June, September, October and November. In addition the "Peace Camp for Youth" (for our grandchildren) was so successful this year that it has been scheduled again for next July.

Since KWVA has a policy of "First Come, First Served," don't delay. The annual quotas are always over subscribed, and you don't want to miss out!

### Revisit Korea eligibility expanded

The ROK government recognizes that the veterans are getting older so they have relaxed the eligibility requirements. A veteran can return again, and many are, asking a child or grandchild to accompany them this time. In addition, the spouse, or descendent of a deceased or incapacitated Korean War Veteran can represent the veteran in Korea, and take a child/companion with them.

For specific information, or to register, call 703-590-1295. Or, you can register on line at: [www.miltours.com](http://www.miltours.com). You can also receive information by going to: [www.KWVA.org](http://www.KWVA.org). Then click on Revisit Korea Tours.

Sincerely and Fraternaly

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maiden as a wife if they fought well and survived." In fact, the storyteller adds, "It was rumored they were caught collecting casualty ear tips to send home to substantiate their claims of courage in combat. The U.S. postal service began to inspect their mail bags en route to Adiss Ababa (p. 176)."

The Dutch "...took whatever they could carry from our supply of materials, sandbags, tarpaper, etc., and at night we would try to take back whatever they took from us...The Dutch soldiers were a good group to be

with...(p. 157)." Another respondent stated, "I remember lots of fire missions. How important they were, I don't know. I had a little duel with a Chinese mortar crew one day and I prevailed because I was using a 105mm howitzer with VT fusing (p. 153)."

The book is replete with interesting tidbits about a war within the war. It presents a side of the war that may not be familiar to a lot of people—which is why it is so interesting to read.

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