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**KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION** **THE GRAYBEARDS**  
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# A BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS TO REQUIRE THE TREASURY SECRETARY TO MINT A SILVER DOLLAR COIN COMMEMORATING 38th ANNIVERSARY OF KOREAN WAR END

## THE COIN WILL BRING IN \$3,500,000 AND CONSTRUCTION MIGHT START

This is your chance to send the funding for the Memorial OVER THE TOP this year, so get with it! KATHLEEN (Lt. Honey) WYOSNICK; P.O. Box 3716; Saratoga, CA 95070; or phone 408-253-3068 is your KWVA Director who will answer any questions you have.

## WHEN YOU HAVE THE NUMBER OF THE BILL

Once you have the bill numbers, write your TWO SENATORS as follows: Send to your Sen. \_\_\_\_\_ from State of \_\_\_\_\_; U.S. Capitol; Washington, D.C. 20510. "Please support S - \_\_\_\_\_ by calling 224-0032, John McCutcheon in Sen. Wm. L. Armstrong's office and being a co-sponsor of this legislation which will authorize the U.S. Mint to strike a silver dollar and complete the fund-raising for the Korean War Memorial. Thank you for your kind attention." Sign it.

Then write the same letter to your Congressman/Congresswoman, State of \_\_\_\_\_; U.S. Capitol; Washington D.C. 20515: "Please support H.R. - \_\_\_\_\_ by calling 225-4376 Mark Robertson of Cong. Stan Parris' office and being a co-sponsor of this legislation which will authorize the U.S. Mint to strike a silver dollar and complete the fund-raising for the Korean War Memorial. Thank you for your kind attention." Sign it.

## HE IS ONE OF OUR 389 MIA —

### DID YOU KNOW CPL. ALFRED LOPES?

My brother, Corporal ALFRED LOPES, JR. RA15297270 was a member of HQ BTRY, 15th FA BN 2d INF. Division and became a MIA on February 13, 1951 when his outfit got involved in heavy combat as his unit was breaking an opposing forces roadblock in the vicinity of Hoensong, Korea, when his unit arrived in the town of Wonju. DS 085334 coordinance he was missing. He is an original member of the 389 MIA listed and believed a POW as stated by returning POW's. If you know of any information regarding his situation please contact 1st LT Robert Lopes USMC (Retired) at 27567 Norloti Street, Palm Springs, California 92262, Tel (619) 322-5807.

The American Battle Monuments Commission, and the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board have invited the Korean War Veterans Association to join in a final push to fund the National Memorial.

Ground work has now been completed for a Silver Dollar Commemorative Coin to be minted by the United States Treasury.

On June 14, 1990, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a silver dollar coin in commemoration of the 38th anniversary of the ending of the Korean War and in honor of those who served, will be introduced in Congress.

## OPERATION OVER THE TOP

According to Gen. Richard Stilwell, chairman of KWVMAB and member of KWVA, THIS IS IT. this will be known as *Operation Over The Top* in recognition of the fact that once the bill is passed by Congress, and signed by President Bush, and work begun by the United States Mint, the Memorial fund is to receive \$3,500,000 and, according to the AMBC spokesman, we will have raised the money to begin construction.

## PLEASE CALL YOUR CONGRESSMAN

All veterans are asked to call or write their congressman or congresswoman to support this bill.

As this is written (June 7) we do not have the bill numbers and will not have them until after June 15. . .so you are asked to phone 1-800-53 KOREA and get the bill numbers.

## DID YOU KNOW SGT. JAMES E. JOHNSON?

The daughter of Medal of Honor recipient, Sgt. James E. Johnson (Posthumous) is seeking information about her father. He is MIA in North Korea and presumed dead 2 December 1950 near Yudam-ni. Any members serving with Sgt. Johnson, Company L, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines call Tom Maines, 412-881-5844, for information to contact Stephanie Johnson McKay.

AL RUDY has resigned his seat as Director, and as Quartermaster.

If you want it printed in the Graybeards: send to Stan Hadden, P.O. Box 131, Harpers Ferry, WV 25425; (304) 535-2259.

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## YOU WROTE IT...

NOTE: as space permits, we intend to publish those letters coming first to our editorial desk. We intend also to see that every letter gets answered in one way or another, from officers, directors, etc.

### DEAR EDITOR: Please CHANGE MY MAIL ADDRESS

FROM: \_\_\_\_\_

TO: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT

YOUR SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE WRITE YOUR CARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

## OUR LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

In the April Issue of the Graybeard, we listed the following bills:

H.R. 4175, Federal Charter for the Korean War Veterans Association, and

H.R. 3603, Declassification of POW/MIA Information, and

In addition, H.R. 502, the House version of a bill to recognize and remember the week of July 24-27, 1990, as the end of the Korean War.

Each member of the House Representatives has an office near your home. Please call your Congressman and ask that he/she call the numbers listed below to sign up as a co-sponsor.

H.R. 4175: Mark Robertson in Congressman Parris' office: 202-225-4376.

H.R. 3060: Dino Carluccio in Congressman Bob Smith's office: 202-225-5456.

H.R. 502: Ms. Randy Fredholm in Congressman Hammerschmidt's office: 202-225-4301.

## ALLIED-SIGNAL FOUNDATION DONATES \$10,000

This is to advise you that Allied Signal, my employer has granted my request for a donation to the Korean War Memorial.

Mr. Allan Painter, Corporate Executive in charge of public affairs called last Thursday, April 12th, to inform me that \$10,000.00 would be allotted in units of \$5000.00 each for 1990 and 1991.

Allied will send the checks to me and I will either present them at the July Reunion or forward to the President of our Association for presentation to the American Battle Monuments Commission.

My earnest hope is others will follow this corporate lead and donate to this most worthy cause.

--HERSHALL E. LEE; Director, 212 S. Kentucky Ave.; Danville, ILL 61832.

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The American Battle Monuments Commission  
 Colonel William E. Ryan, Jr.

In response to a proposal submitted by Mr. Hershall Lee of our Flourine Products Division in Danville, Illinois, I'm pleased to announce our Foundation's \$10,000 pledge for the Korean War Memorial.

This award is payable over two years in equal installments of \$5,000. Accordingly, enclosed is our \$5,000 check representing the first payment.

We're pleased to be able to provide this support and any publicity or recognition should be credited to Allied-Signal Inc.

Sincerely,

DAVID G. POWELL, Pres.

## 7th CAV—DID YOU KNOW HER SON?

Enclosed is Mrs. Teresa Dannemiller's check, number 3278, in the amount of \$100.00 for The Korean War Veteran's Memorial.

This lady is the mother of Corporal ERVIN DANNEMILLER, serial number 52059952, who was assigned to the 7th Cavalry as a forward observer. He was wounded in battle and received the Silver Star for Bravery. On October 13, 1951 he was listed as missing in action and on December 31, 1954 he was declared dead.

Although I personally never knew Ervin, it is indeed a pleasure and a delight to know this brave mother. She is 88 years young and a joy to be around. It would be my privilege and honor to sponsor this lady as a K.W.V.A. Gold Star Mother.

I am sure she would like to hear from anyone who may have known her son while in Korea. She can be reached at the following address: Mrs. Teresa M. Dannemiller; 1750 4th St Apt 303; Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221.

--H. PATRICK MURPHY; 2757 Arenac Road; Fairlawn, Ohio 44313.

## "WHAT DOES KWVA MEAN TO ME?"

October 9, 1989 - a full page ad in The New York Times blasted, "THE KOREAN WAR ISN'T OVER." and immediately caught my attention. I clipped it, reproduced it, prepared a note to accompany it for distribution to my family and friends in the hope that they would contribute to the long overdue Memorial which was its target. . the next step was my own checkbook.

Curiosity and a willingness to do more urged a call to General Stilwell's office in Arlington, I found myself talking to Jan Jackson who provided me 15 minutes of verbal information and promised to mail more. It was thrilling to know there was to be a Memorial for Korean vets; to know that we were not forgotten; to know that the sacrifices we made would be etched in bronze or granite for future generations. Indeed, I remembered vividly a letter I'd written to the Editor of Life Magazine (circa 1952) expressing outrage at the depraved conduct of some Americans while their less fortunate compatriots were dying in some dirty hole in "the forgotten war of Korea". . finally, 38 years later, a favorable response.

The voice on the other end of the phone knew I was choked up as I spoke of Easy Company, of a painful homecoming - not looking for glory, but seeking a minimal acknowledgement by somebody - anybody - that my sacrifices and my life meant something; and of the much needed time to heal with others "who understood." She mentioned the KWVA quietly - almost cautiously - in anticipation of my response. She was right to do so. Shock, dismay, joy, confusion, relief. . all hit me at once. That was three months ago.

Since then I have written and published articles on the Memorial and the need for funds; spoke to Tom Maines, received a newsletter that was wonderfully familiar; attended a Congressional breakfast sponsored by the KWVA; and watched in awe as Bob Hope and Rosemary Clooney danced the light fantastic in a Gala fundraiser for our Memorial.

Doing my part to help with the fundraising effort has been hard work, but the rewards have been fantastic. We're not just building a memorial - we're highlighting a forgotten page in American history which has lessons beyond value for future generations and with the learning of those lessons in the future comes our healing from the past. If each article only brought a few hundred dollars to help achieve our goal. . or if one other person like me found our Association as a result, it would be time and effort well spent.

What does KWVA mean to me? It means finding fellow vets like Joe Poggi and Roy Spanhour - new friends, old comrades - both living right here in New York; it means catching the enthusiasms and sense of commitment of people like Dick Adams, Harry Wallace, Stan Hadden, Tom Maines, Kathleen Wyonsnick, Emmet Benjamin; it means sharing and healing and knowing that the Korean Victory - my efforts and yours - are truly appreciated and will never, never be forgotten.

--RICHARD COATE; 205 Hicks St., 1-C; Brooklyn, NY 11201.

## NEW DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED

At the business meeting July 26, new officials will be elected to replace those who served 1987 - 1990 (Charles L. Dawson and Joseph H. Perc); and those who served 1988 - 1990 (William F. Mason and Al E. Rudy).

Incumbents are free to run for office again, if they choose.

The names submitted thus far to Stan Hadden, chairman of the nominations committee with Emmett Benjamin and W.B. Woodruff, are: SCOOTER BURKE; BILLY COOK; BILL OLTERS DORF; TAG JENSEN; and STAN HADDEN. Other nominations may be made on the floor or by mail notice to the committee. Voting will be by secret ballot.

## DICK, TOM, AND HARRY ANNOUNCE FOR RE-ELECTION AS YOUR OFFICERS

Your present three officers: DICK ADAMS, President; TOM MAINES, 1st Vice President; and HARRY WALLACE, 2nd Vice President, all have announced their intention to run for re-election on July 26, 1990.

## IMPORTANT INFO ON MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL AND MEMBERSHIP CARDS

If your 1990 dues are paid and you have not received a membership card, please send a note to Harry Wallace; Korean War Veterans Association; P. O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281, indicating the date of your 1990 payment, to whom it was paid, and the expiration date on your expired membership card.

Originally all memberships were to expire on December 31. Members who joined the association after April 1, 1988 hold memberships that expire on the annual anniversary date of their membership. Because of interoffice confusion, some members holding cards that expired December 31, were issued renewal membership cards in 1989 listing. The expiration date as the date their 1989 payment was received. the computer billing program indicates the date of the renewal to be January 1 1990. We have delayed our renewal billings, in many instances, attempting to find a solution to the problem. You will receive a statement for 1990 dues in a few days. If the statement expiration date does not agree with the date of expiration on your card, please indicate the date you feel to be correct on your check or money order, and return in the envelope provided. The computer will be adjusted to that date.

All problems with membership cards/billing will be corrected in the computer and forwarded to HARRY WALLACE, Membership chairman, for permanent filing. Thank you for your cooperation.

OPERATING STATEMENT 4-1-90 TO 4-30-90			
BALANCE ON 3-31-90	\$30,885.34	\$34,852.21	\$20,961.80
REVENUE - APRIL 1990:			
Dues	7,725.00		
Life Membership		4,575.00	
Memorial Fund			3,725.00
Miscellaneous	242.80		
Sub-Totals	\$38,853.14	\$39,427.21	\$24,686.80
EXPENDITURES - APRIL 1990:			
Postage	( 345.58)		
Telephone	( 303.49)		
Office Supplies	( 160.43)		
Pub. & Mailing	( 4,828.31)		
Promo. & Educ.	( 551.11)		
Laser Printer -			
Maines	( 1,700.00)		
Miscellaneous	( 400.00)		
Fund Transfer to			
Memorial Commission			(10,000.00)
Bad Checks	( 42.00)	( 150.00)	
BALANCE ON 4-30-90	\$30,522.22	\$39,277.21	\$14,686.80
TOTAL - ALL FUNDS			\$84,486.23

## "I THINK THIS SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO"

I am a Korean Veteran and would like to make other Korean Veterans aware of an experience I had recently when trying to buy a house with a G.I. Guaranteed Loan. I was told that in order to qualify for this type of loan, I must have money in a savings account. Also, to make a certain amount of money.

For 19 years, my wife and I have bought many things on credit, like cars, clothes and furniture. And to date, not once have we been late or missed a payment. For the last 3 years, we have paid rent of \$525.00 per month, plus other monthly payments. At age 18, when I went into the Army to do my part for our country, no one asked me how much I had in savings or who I made payments to. I think this matter should be looked into.

--WILLIAM E. FULCHER; 4815 Gamling Lane; Orlando, FL 32821.



## THE RETURN OF FIVE REMAINS

It has been an exciting two weeks. I was privileged to be one of 16 Americans selected to be present at Panmunjom when the D.P.R.K. returned the Remains at 11:00 A.M. on Monday May 28th, 1990.

It should be noted that the Department of State, Congressman "Sonny" Montgomery, the Chosin Few and your Association, the Korean War Veterans Association contributed heavily to the return of the Remains. Every member of The Korean War Veterans Association may reflect with pride that we played a part in the return.

I would like to thank Warren Avery, Blaine Friedlander, Norman Jones for meeting me in Seoul, also Kathleen Wyosnick and Bill Oltersdorf for meeting me at Hickman Air Force Base Hawaii.

To all the Members of The Korean War Veterans Association, you were all there in our hearts.

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The following were members of the official United States delegation present at the return:

Rep. G. V. "Sonny" Montgomery, MS. Rep. Robert Stump, AZ. Rep. Bob Traxler, MI. Rep. Frank McCloskey, IN. Rep. James H. Bilbray, NV. Rep. Curt Weldon, PA. Rep. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, CO. Rep. Gerald B. Solomon, NY. James Holley, Staff, House Veterans Affairs Committee. Gen. (USA retired) Richard G. Stilwell. LT Gen. (retired) D'Wayne Gray, Director, Benefits Programs., Veterans Administration. Richard L. Adams, President, Korean War Veterans Association. Thomas Gregory, First Vice President, and Chairman, MIA/POW Committee, (Chosin Few). Mark T. Fitzpatrick, Office of Korean Affairs, Department of State. LTC Joseph Boessen. Dr. James Holsinger.

*Dick Adams*

DICK ADAMS, National President; Korean War Veterans Association; P.O. Box 127; Caruthers, CA 93609.

209-864-3196 after 5 PM Pacific Time; 209-268-1869 Office.

**NOTE:** All KWVA members named here who attended the ceremonies, did so at their own expense.

**PHOTOS ON THESE 2 PAGES WERE MADE BY NORM JONES AND WARREN AVERY.**

**Page 4:**

**Upper right:** Dick Adams, KWVA President, with Congressional members entering the DMZ zone.

**Center:** Looking north across the DMZ.

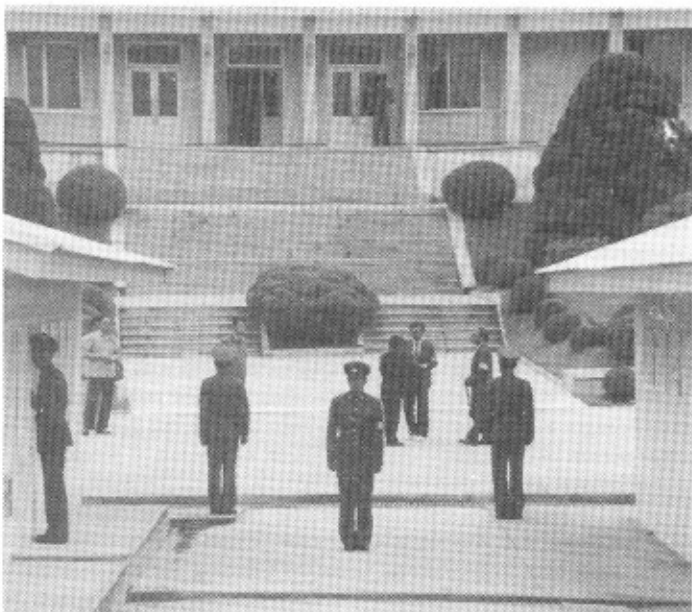
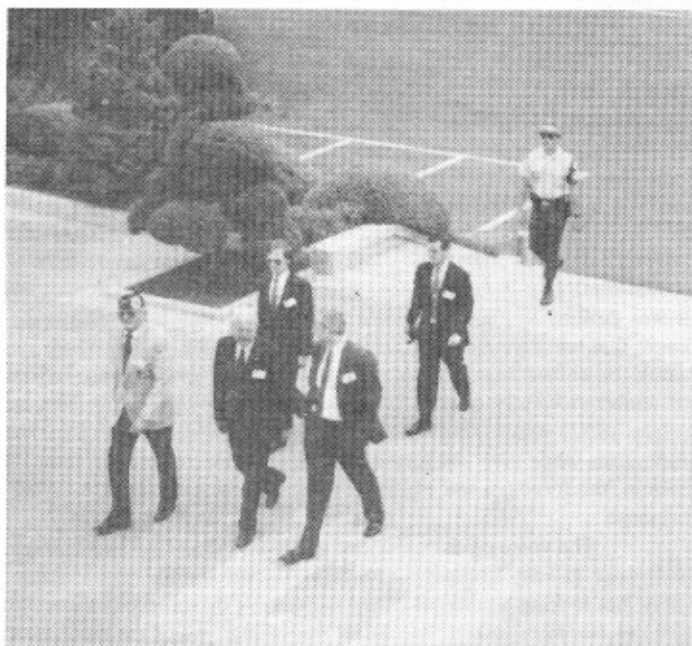
**Bottom:** The Remains on North Korean territory.

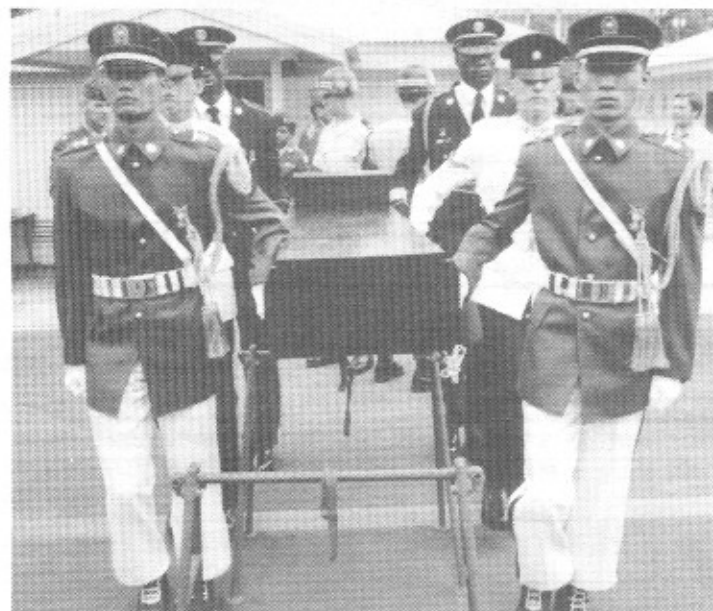
**Page 5:**

**Left Column:** The Remains are escorted to their Bier. All nations were represented.

**Right Column, upper:** The Remains.

**Lower Photo:** Army Chaplain giving prayer.





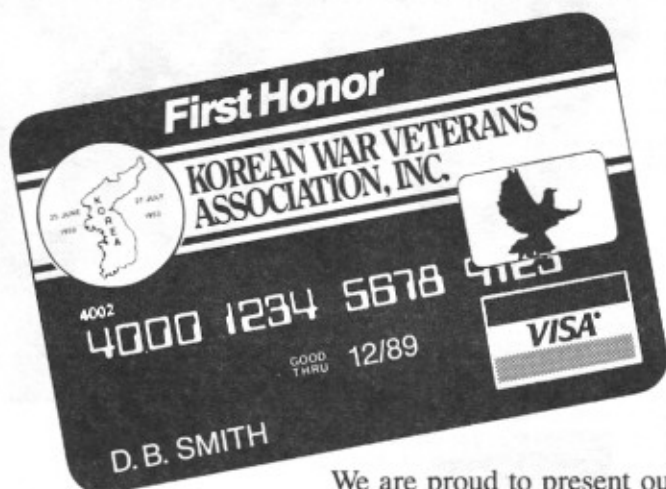
This photograph shows BILL O'BRIEN, FRANK FLYNN, and LARRY SHAVER hard at work at Staten Island Mall. On two weekends their booth raised over \$1300 for KWVA. ED GRYGIER sent this, and added: "An elderly man came to our booth; read our signs, and on a napkin wrote this poem." (The poem is shown below).

#### THE KOREAN WAR

They call it The Forgotten War  
Though thousands of troops and more died there.  
Troops just as proud, guns just as loud,  
As wars fought anywhere.  
They could have won, but were undone  
By politicians' fears which made them wait  
And negotiate away their wounds and tears.  
No one won, no one lost,  
It became a draw.  
Yet thousands of voices still call out  
We deserve much more.

--by JOE COLLINS, 13A/B, WWII

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Macon, GA 31209-7608

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EMPLOYERS NAME	ADDRESS including CITY / STATE / ZIP		POSITION	HOW LONG?	MONTHLY INCOME \$ BUSINESS TELEPHONE NO. ( )
OTHER INCOME SOURCE	AMOUNT	<input type="checkbox"/> MONTHLY <input type="checkbox"/> QUARTERLY <input type="checkbox"/> ANNUALLY	OTHER INCOME: You do not have to list alimony, child support or maintenance unless you want us to consider it in order to obtain this credit. If you are married and live in a community property state, your earnings, your spouse's earnings and all "other income" are presumed to be community property unless you indicate otherwise.		

### Co-Applicant/Spouse/Former Spouse

FIRST NAME, M.I., LAST NAME	PRESENT ADDRESS including CITY / STATE / ZIP	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTHDATE	SOCIAL SECURITY NO.
EMPLOYERS NAME	ADDRESS including CITY / STATE / ZIP	POSITION	HOW LONG?	MONTHLY INCOME \$ BUSINESS TELEPHONE NO. ( )

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### Signatures

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## WE NEARLY WENT UNDER IN 1988

In January 1988, STAN HADDEN was 2nd vice president and chairman of the reunion, HARRY WALLACE was reunion co-chairman. DICK ADAMS was president-elect. BILL NORRIS was president.

The reunion was in planning stage; the hotel had been arranged for. We needed to print the Graybeards to tell the almost 2000 members of the plans. But a very large problem loomed--KWVA owed \$5,000--and we had only \$633 in the bank. The printer at that time refused any more credit; we were faced with no way to communicate with the membership. Several key people suddenly quit their appointed positions. Bill Norris was struggling in his home to perform the tremendous tasks of president, membership chairman, printer, mailer, and a few other jobs.

Stan Hadden was concerned -- he talked with Harry Wallace and they decided to try something. That "something" was the "FlashLetter" -- a four-page flyer written by Stan on his six-dollar typewriter. The printing was paid for out of his own pocket.

We received the membership records from Bill Norris, and Harry was valiantly plugging away at receiving checks from new members forwarded by Bill; at writing the cards; at mailing to the members. He became the membership chairman.

But money was running low. Stan sent Harry a few hundred dollars in stamps, and shipped the printed FlashLetter to Bill Norris for sorting and mailing. It had taken nearly four months of hard work to conceive and execute that operation, and to arrange everything for the reunion.

Bill Norris was aided by John Herbert and Art Patterson in applying name labels and getting the FlashLetter to the post office. But we also had to find extra cash for postage.

Dick Adams happened to phone Stan one day and when he found out what was going on, he promptly sent his personal check for a few hundred dollars to help us solve problems.

And Stan just happened to phone Tom Maines and mentioned some of the problems. Tom promptly sent his personal check for a few hundred bucks, plus stamps, to help.

Our FlashLetter in May 1988 was short and

sweet -- YOUR HELP was needed in order to build the National Memorial to the Korean War Veterans, in Washington, D.C. And you veterans responded magnificently. Dues payments came in; reservations for the reunion came plus a few plain donations for expenses. The Graybeards was printed. We even had extra money for the Memorial Fund: KWVA gave \$10,000 at our Arlington ceremony; mostly from an operation run by Stan and Harry. The 1988 reunion was a howling success. Col. Scooter Burke had us on our feet with his superb job as master of ceremonies.

KWVA was really on its way! An excellent team had formed itself, under fire, and kept on operating in a first class manner. Our enemies were better identified; we knew them now not as gooks, but as public apathy, political greed, and lack of public awareness about the Korean War and why and when and what happened.

At that reunion in 1988 Stan Hadden's second term as 2nd VP was ending; he rose and asked that three men be nominated as officers for KWVA: Dick Adams as President; Tom Maines as 1st VP; Harry Wallace as 2nd VP with the added jobs of membership chairman and reunion chairman. Bill Norris handed over the reins to Dick Adams, and we have been racing forward ever since.

### OUR MAIN GOALS REMAIN THE SAME:

(1) Raise the awareness of the American people about the Korean War and those who served in it. (2) Raising and contributing funds for establishment of the National Memorial in Washington, D.C. (3) To seek out the truth about our 8,179 MIA's and our 389 POW's who did not return.

Under present leadership, KWVA is financially sound. Public awareness has been greatly enhanced. We rank 4th in monies raised for the National Memorial (see VFW Magazine, June/July, page 29, over \$500,000). Membership has nearly quadrupled.

The photos herewith show our three officers. This story is one way for me, your Graybeards editor, (and for all other who care to join me) to say: "Thank you, Dick, Tom, and Harry. I hope you three remain in office for the next two years."

--STAN HADDEN; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425.

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At our 1990 reunion, each kit will contain a reproduction copy of the May 1988 FlashLetter.



**DICK ADAMS**  
President



**TOM MAINES**  
1st Vice President



**HARRY WALLACE**  
2nd Vice President

**GOAL: 8.6  
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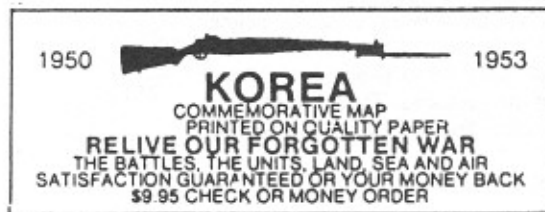


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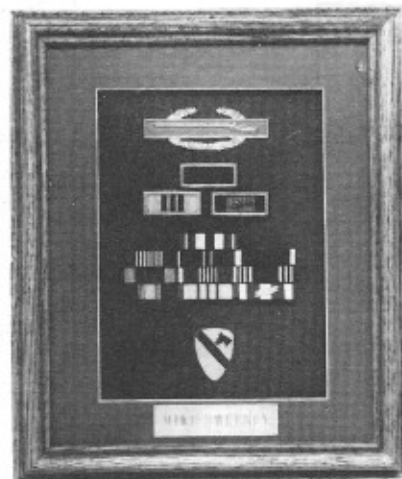
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				40	"Buck: a Tennessee boy in Korea"; by Raymond L. "Doc" Frazier; Co. D, 38th Regt, 2nd Div.		\$7.50
				41	"Enter The Dragon", China's Undeclared War Against The U.S. In Korea, 1950-1951 -- by Russell Spurr		\$15.00

Please bear with us as we reorganize the Quartermaster Sales. 20% commission goes to KWVA treasury. A larger variety of goods will be on hand at the reunion!

### YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT MY WAR!

Dear Stan: My last issue of The West Virginia Hillbilly had a small clipping that caught my eye, "Korean War Veterans Association Publication lists aims of group."

I was Fleet-Marine (Navy Hospital Corpsman attached to the 1st Marine Div) from 1950 to 1956 - you're talking about MY WAR! I'm so fed-up with the lack of interest and the forgotten men (living and dead) who have fought that "Police Action" as Harry Ass Truman called it!

Tell me what I have to do to become a part of this group that Jim Comstock spoke of please.

If I read, or hear one more thing about the Vietnam War I think I'll bust! They are a good example of whoever CRYs loudest gets the attention - yes I'm bitter!!! I know a lot of good Americans gave their lives there too - but they don't even remember us in Korea. Respectfully yours:

--WILLIAM C. BESSELMAN; 22434 Seabrooke Ave.; Euclid, OH  
44123-1630  
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William — We sent you the full information, including a copy of this Graybeards.

### "THANK YOU; I MAILED 6,000 POSTERS"

TERRIFIC! This letter came from ROBERT J. ROY, SR.; RD 4, Box 402-A; Wyanntskill, NY 12198:

"A short letter to all who requested some of my posters (April Graybeard, page 19) for distribution. Your response was greater than I anticipated. I mailed out 6,000 posters! Special thanks to Ken Reese, Charley Clark, Anthony Reilly, Oscar Sherman, Edward Grygier, Charles Smith, Bill Liell, John Roseland, Glen Whiting, Phillip J. Battick, Jr., Frank Delgado and Thomas E. Lawlor.

"It is impossible at present to write each and every one of you. I was with 21st REGT, 24th DIV '49-'51. Thanks also to former MP buddy Ed Wilson who put me in touch with Floyd Pendarvis and Lou Selmi. Floyd was captured in July 11, 1950 and called me from his home in Texas; and a list of names and addresses of which two former POWs were in my squad, imprisoned with him. Also a special thanks to Lou Selmi for sending me the Gimlet Book 1949. It will help a lot for first research on missing and POWs'. You guys are truly the greatest."

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Editor's Note: Rob, I see a number of Gimlet veterans in this edition. When you get together, how about sending the Graybeards photos and story? THANKX!

**BY-LAWS ARE PRINTED IN  
THIS ISSUE; PLEASE  
BRING TO  
REUNION.**

**IT'S REUNION TIME!**

We're trying to arrange with the Korean/American community of Northern Virginia for informal entertainment and meal on July 26. There are problems. Please watch for announcement at the registration desk.

### HELP WANTED

A volunteer is needed to take charge of the buses we will be using at the reunion. There will be probably five buses on each of two days: July 26 and July 27. The bus commander will be asked to select enough others to have one captain on each bus to check the tickets, etc. If interested, please contact either Harry Wallace or Stan Hadden.

### THE REUNION WILL BE AT THIS HOTEL

Hotel Sheraton National, Arlington, Virginia is our meeting site. Next door to Arlington Cemetery. If you want confirmation of your reservation, please ask hotel to send to you. They can be phoned: 1-800-468-9090 (except in Virginia use 1-800-541-5500). The hotel is located at Columbia Pike and Washington Blvd. in Arlington, Virginia. Just ask for the KWVA special rates. Shuttle service is available from National Airport and Pentagon City subway stop on the Metro Rail.

### HAVE YOUR QUESTIONS READY

Dear Mr. Adams:

Thank you for your 20 April letter and invitation to attend the KWVA's annual reunion. Admiral Vogt's plans for the summer are not yet firm, but I will be in the Washington area in late July and would be pleased to address your membership and answer any questions they might have. I also plan to attend the ceremony at Arlington Cemetery.

Please don't bother to get a room for me, as I will make my own arrangements for accommodation. I would appreciate very much, however, if you could provide me with a schedule of events, once it is finalized.

Looking forward to meeting with you at the Sheraton National Hotel.

--JAMES TALLEY COL, USA Secretary; Headquarters, United Nations Command; Military Armistice Commission; APO San Francisco 96301-0032

A PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER will be at the reunion, making group and individual pictures, to be later available in a bound-book form.

### LATE BULLETIN

Past National Commanders-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and The American Legion will be joining the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board at that body's next meeting June 14, 1990.

Pres. George Bush recently appointed the two: John P. (Jake) Comer, American Legion, from Massachusetts; and John S. Staum, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Minnesota, to the Board.

### LATE BULLETIN

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**OUR SPEAKER** at Arlington ceremonies will be WILLIAM D. CLARK, AsstSec Army; (USA Ret.) A decorated Korean War Veteran, he is the son of Gen. Mark Clark who followed orders and signed the Korean War cease fire agreement. We look forward to his appearance and remarks.

### "IN MEMORY - BECKY '31-'89 • RIDE FREE"

"A small group of Long Island Harley riders had scattered Erwin's ashes on the "Ride". They have made up, as a memorial to Erwin, a patch which I am enclosing a picture of. A few local KWV's have expressed a desire for a patch to be worn by them. One of the Harley Riders, recently retired, composed a poem in memory of Erwin, and I also am enclosing a copy of said poem. I'm sure you are aware of the fact that Erwin had strong beliefs and expressed them without fanfare. Obviously, the people that came into contact with him admired and respected him.

--CHARLOTTE BECKWITH; 17 Church Lane; E. Hampton, NY 11937."

This is the poem composed by MATT JOHNSON in memory of ERWIN BECKWITH, who was one of KWVA's prime funds raiser in his area:

We were thirty strong  
riding side by side,  
the night we took  
Becky on his final ride.

The air was still  
the stars were bright  
still the sound of thunder  
echoed in the night.

Becky was with us  
though he couldn't be seen.  
He was a good man  
kind, gentle, and keen.

Though you're no longer  
with us, we know  
you're above, we'll  
remember you with a  
brotherly love.

We miss you, Becky.

Please look at your membership card and note your number. When renewing your dues, put that number on your check. Thank you.



### ON THE LINE WITH 2ND DIVISION

Association member and Silver Star recipient R. M. "Bill" Davis recently returned to his home in Colorado from a tour promoting the video version of his life story. Among the stops included was Bolivar, Missouri, where he visited with the family of one of his wartime buddies. Another stop was Amarillo, Texas, where he was reunited with fellow member Doug Stephens, who was taken prisoner by the North Koreans during the same action as young Davis.

Aside from his video, Bill used the media coverage that was made available to stump for new members and to promote interest and awareness of the Korean War Memorial fund-raising efforts. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of his video have already been earmarked for the Memorial Fund. Keep up the good work, Bill Davis! SEE BELOW

### "I ALWAYS WANTED TO GO IN THE MILITARY..."

I was looking through the reunion section of the VFW magazine for March and I see you will be having a reunion for Korean War vets. My dad was in the Navy during that war and has told me many stories about what happened back then. History is very interesting to me.

My name is Tom Finley. I am 29 years old and I am disabled with arthritis in my spine and hips. I always wanted to go in the military as my father and older brother did, but I've been sick since 1982. All through high school I wanted to go in the the USMC.

I hope you will be able to help me with this request: This year for our state fair's hobby division I would like to enter a scrapbook and wall display to honor the 40th anniversary of the Korean War. Could you help me by sending any patches and unit pins from all branches of the military that took part in the Korean War? And could you send me any autographs from the veterans who will be at your reunion?

Thank you very much for reading my letter. I hope you can help me. God bless you. Take care. Your friend."

--TOM FINLEY; 2141/2 E. Park St., Apt. 2; Spring Valley, MN 55975-1642

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Alright, vets, -- what are you gonna send to Tom Finley?

### DID YOU KNOW A1C JAMES O'MEARA? I WEAR HIS POW/MIA BRACELET

To whom it may concern, I am writing to see if I can receive information on my POW/MIA bracelet. I have been wearing my band for a long time and I would like to know if they ever found him. His name: A1C JAMES J. O'MEARA, JR.; USAF 1-30-54 Korea.

Could you send me information on him and where his family is? If he was found I would like to send him or his family my band. Thank you. My address is Vicki L. Mackey Ssgt USAF; PSC Box 4661; APO Miami 34001.

### TAPS

BRIERE, RANDALL J.J.; Dec. 19, 1989; San Antonio, TX  
McMILLAN, J.P.; Jan. 7, 1990; Odessa, TX  
JOHNSON, TURNER; Dec. 7, 1989; Detroit, MI  
VONESH, WILLIAM I.; Arlington Heights, ILL.  
KUBICEK, Richard; Dec. 29, 1989; Chicago, ILL.  
CARPENTER, Carl; April 21, 1990; Williamstown, WV  
MENNINGER, Charles W.; Feb. 25, 1990.

### MILITARY SHOTGUN INFO WANTED

A historian about to finish a book on military shotgun usage would like to hear from any Korean War vets who recall use of shotguns for combat, security, aerial gunnery training or recreational purposes. Please Reply to: Eric H. Archer; 6940 Bristol Drive; Berkeley CA 94705; Home phone (415) 548-9784.



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## THE STOVEPIPE SCOOP ON 9-27-51 SAID 2nd ChemMorBn FIRES ITS 100,000th

Round #100,000 of ammo was fired by the battalion at 2352.30 hours 24 Sept. 1951 by Charlie Co, 2nd Bn, 3rd Platoon. Men participating in the action were: 1st Lt. CHARLES COOPER, Cpl EDDIE S. STEVENSON, Pfc EMMETT J. McDONALD, Pfc FRANK L. YANCY, Pfc LLOYD H. BRYAN, Pfc JOHN E. CORMIER, Pfc LOUIS O. PLEAU, Pvt-2 ROBERT D. HEMINGWAY, Pfc. CHARLES A. McKEE, Pfc LEON E. MILLER.

In the last 4 months Charlie Co has fired more rounds than either of the other companies. Charlie also holds the record number of rounds fired in a 24-hour period; on Sept 21 1951 they fired 3697 rounds, while supporting the 32nd Inf Regt. For action performed from 31 Aug to 3 Sept 1951 Baker and Charlie Companies received a letter of commendation from Maj Gen Ferenbaugh, CG 7th Inf Div. And Charlie Co received a commendation from Col H. D. McGown, 17th RCT Cmdr.

SHOWN, LEFT TO RIGHT: John Cormier, Charles McKee, Lloyd Bryan, and Frank Yancy.

## THIS FORMER CORPSMAN WILL VALIDATE CLAIM FOR PURPLE HEART

I am a new member and wish to have something printed in the "GRAYBEARDS". In 1950 I was a 'Corpsman' with the 1st Mar Div; 1st Reg; "A" Co.; 2nd Platoon. Approximately Sept 23, 1950; outside of SEOUL; I removed a bullet from a Marine in that company. I do not know his name, but, I believe he is entitled to the "PURPLE HEART MEDAL" (and whatever it brings in our society).

He was not evacuated; for I determined that he was still healthy and could go on. At that time we had been notified that there were to be no reinforcements and to make do with what we had.

If this person is a member of this organization and would like to have a belated "PURPLE HEART" - - - he knows the circumstances and the situation of this action - - - I will validate his claim to his medal; all he has to do is contact me with the proper information and I will swear to a disposition of his claim.

Also, in our drive to the Chosin Reservoir there was another situation of a "dislocated shoulder"; to the proper claimant I shall validate that claim for he was not evacuated.

"They may only know me as "Doc" I was it! (19 years old).

PLUS if you want the location of some dead bodies, (both north and south), I think I can define both locations. We never really knew where we were.

--RICHARD A. SHOWSTEAD; 210 Savin Hill Ave.; Boston, Mass 02125.

## 555TH FA TRIPLE NICKEL

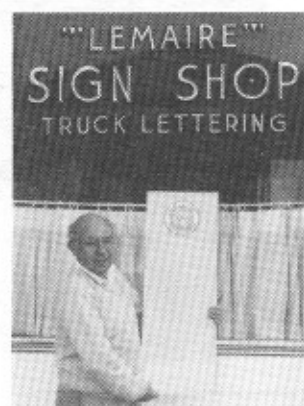
25 April 1990, 39th Anniversary "Death Valley"—where Artillery Men fought just as much as 1st Bn 5th Inf; but without the Infantry Combat Badge!

Hi Stan; With your announcement (Thank God!) that only shirts should be worn to the Wreath Laying Ceremonies, Arlington Cemetery, 10 AM 27 July I looked at my OLD UN Blue shirt with 10" Patch on back and 3" on pocket front and said my KWVA shirt should look better that this so I went out and got a new one. I went to a tailor in a local mall, found he was KOREAN from vic Inchon; and he wanted an address so he could make a donation to the Korean War Vets Memorial so it does pay to select where one has things done and where one buys! I gave him the application (xeroxed) out of the "Graybeards". Too, I didn't have to pay! I will when I go in with a NEW 3" patch, if the QM will send me one.

Maybe if you do print the heading on this letter, the vets of the 555th FA "Triple Nickel" might just get a boost out of it! After all when the area was retaken, 5 or 6 105 howitzers were with spread trail indicating Arty DIRECT FIRE at the enemy!!

--RICHARD F. LEWIS; P.O. Box 1776; Frederick, MD 21701.

"Enclosed is a picture of Bob LeMaire and our new life time membership plaque he designed and made for our chapter. The plaque has the person's name according to when they became a life member. Also, the POW's, Charter and Gold Star Mothers are also listed. For anyone wanting information, Bob can be reached at LeMaire Sign Shop; 112 E. Van Buren Street; Danville, IL 61832.



**WHERE ARE YOU?** We tried to mail your newsletter, but these were returned as "MOVED". . .

ADODFO C. GONZALEZ; Albq. NM

RAY ZELLER, Miami, FL

ROBT. P. BROWN, Phoenix, AZ

ROBT. T. NOVAK, Davie, FL

BURTON A. LANDY, Miami, FL

## TO BECOME AN HONORARY MEMBER OF NATIONAL KWVA

The by-laws approved last July 26 say this: ART.III, B, Honorary Members: 1. Any person of good character may be elected as an honorary member of this association by the Executive Council.

The key words are "Executive Council" which applies only to the national membership rolls. This does not necessarily affect any other rules adopted by a chapter for its internal purposes.

## THIS IS A NOTABLE EFFORT

The American Legion, Department of Maine, has decided to try to prevail upon the national organization of the Legion to contribute substantially to the Korean War Veterans Memorial. As many members of KWVA already know, the national Legion office is Washington, DC has been somewhat reluctant to support the memorial.

The Department of Maine will be asked to consider the resolution that concludes as follows: "Resolved, That the American Legion, Department Convention assembled in Bangor, Maine, June 15, 16, 17, 1990 do petition the National Organization of the American Legion to contribute a similar amount of money matching that of the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial donation."

## CBS NEWS AGAIN OVERLOOKED THE KOREAN WAR

On July 27, 1985, CBS-TV news was present at the first KWVA reunion. Your editor, Stan Hadden, asked their reporter "why does CBS refuse to report the Korean War?"

The answer was: "The Korean War veteran is not controversial or profitable."

### BETTY WINDER SENT THIS LETTER TO CONNIE CHUNG AND CBS ON MAY 29, 1990

Dear Connie Chung:

I viewed your "MEMORIAL SPECIAL" on 5-26-90 and I was appalled that you leapfrogged from World War II to Vietnam War repeatedly and never once mentioned the BRAVE men and women who fought in the "FORGOTTEN" Korean War.

I think it only appropriate that an apology should be made to the Korean veterans and their families. They were brave people who fought from June 25, 1950 to July 27, 1953.

July 27, 1990 will be the 40th Anniversary of the cease-fire in this "FORGOTTEN" war.

**Those who returned home alive have spent 40 years being treated as rejects by the Press, Government and the American People.**

My husband, Charles, was an Airborne Ranger who was captured in an attack on Heartbreak Ridge. He was bound with barbed wire hand and foot, forced marched night and day, then tortured at night in many barbarous ways. Beaten to the point of death, deprived of food, water, shelter and medical attention for his wounds. Yet on the 6th day of capture, atop a hill overlooking the POW area, he and 2 other soldiers escaped and evaded recapture for 48 days.

Upon reaching American lines, one soldier was killed. My husband and the other soldier were interrogated extensively. G-2 called it debriefing but those who went through it called it interrogation. During these debriefings my husband was told (as well as numerous others) that the horrors they had gone through (quote) "NEVER HAPPENED", and that they were to "Forget about it, you didn't see anything, it didn't happen and you are never to talk about it to anyone."

The "Washington Army" must have also brainwashed the Press and the American people as well, because they have: "FORGOTTEN

ABOUT IT AS IF IT NEVER HAPPENED." Their eyes were blinded so they couldn't see it and they never talked about it to anyone.

Connie, I always thought you were a great investigative reporter. We love your program and never miss one if possible. That's why we were so shocked that you would omit one of the most devastating wars of the century.

It would mean so much to the Korean Veterans and their families if someone would just remember the sacrifices they made and the price they are still paying for the freedom of this nation. Look at a globe of the world and ask yourself where the American people would be today if these BRAVE men and women had really lost the war in Korea.

There are so many things I would like to tell you about the Korean War. But one letter can never tell the horrible story. The Korean Veterans are striving to erect a memorial to their dead comrades in Washington, D.C. but funds do not come like they should because the Korean Veteran is "Forgotten". Though the "WASHINGTON ARMY" instilled, "Forget it, it never happened, don't talk about it", there is a torch still burning in the minds, hearts and souls of every Korea War veteran and their families. They live by the code: WE SHALL NEVER FORGET OUR COMRADES.

Connie, please apologize to the BRAVE men and women who fought in the Korean War. PLEASE DON'T FORGET THEM!

Mark Sauter, Investigative Reporter for KIRO Eyewitness News of Seattle, Wash., did a 2-part broadcast on the subject of our POW/MIA. "SECRET PRISONERS OF THE FORGOTTEN WAR". A lot of interest has been sparked from the program. The station address is: KIRO 7 News; Attn. Mark Sauter; Broadcast House, 2807 Third Ave.; P.O. Box C-21326, Seattle, WA 98111-777, or phone (206) 728-7757.

We're Counting on you to do the right thing.

P.S. I have contacted Gay Jones at KLBK 13, 400 University, Lubbock, TX 79423, phone (806) 745-2345. I asked her about airing a 40th Anniversary Memorial to the Korean Veterans. I am sending her a copy of this letter.

--A Korean War Veteran's wife: BETTY WINDER; 7402 Ave. X - #D; Lubbock, TX 79423. Phone 806-748-1991.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Betty, if you get an answer, please tell us; it will be a big surprise to this cynical veteran.

ON JUNE 24, 1990, THE CBS SUNDAY MORNING SHOW will air a special segment on the Korean War. Filming will be at our Memorial site on the Mall in Washington, D.C. BOB PIERPOINT, who started his career as a war correspondent in Korea, will interview at least one veteran whom he wrote about during the war. KWVA will be featured. As a salient point of interest, that broadcast will be the last for Bob Pierpoint; he will then retire.

## THIS MARINE DISABLED VETERAN NEEDS HELP

I desperately need any information from any Marine that was a member of UMF-311, M.A.G. - 33, 1st Marine Airwing, K-3, 50. Korea, in 1954-55, or any member of the MASH unit assigned there, that remembers anything about my spinal injury, paralis, spinal surgery, that occurred there. I have a hearing scheduled in Sept. '90 before the VA Appeals Board in Washington, D.C. concerning this injury. Thank you very much.

--Sgt. Cofer "Bud" Cochran; 314 Backfork St.; Webster Springs, WV 26288.

## THIS VETERAN ASKS FOR YOUR HELP

I desperately need to find out how I can obtain medical info from the USS Manchester, at Chodo Island 11/5/51. Will a Navy medical man please help me?

Where can I get addresses of the Korean, Dutch, and Norwegian embassies? (Walter, write to the U.S. State Department in Washington, DC and ask them. Be specific in which cities you seek location.)

What MASH unit was in the Wonju/Weonju area Feb 1951? I need to contact the squadron historian of 606th AC&W, 1951. What American military branch was in the retreat action via Hill 350 in the Hoengcheon area Feb 12, 1951? What American unit was in command north of Ichon/Yoju in March 1951?

--WALT HENRICKS; R.R. 1, D 148; Wolcottville, IND 46795.



## MICHIGAN ISSUES SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES

The state of Michigan will issue, upon request and payment of five dollars extra fee, an auto license plate with the word VETERAN plus the designated war. Photo shows the Korean plate.

--COSEY VANDER WEIDE; 7117 Sunset Ave.; Jenison, MI 49428.





### LYNX RANGERS

The only reference to Lynx I am familiar with is mentioned in the book "Lightning Forward." A history of the 25th INF Div written by Melvin C. Walthall who served with the 35th REGT in Korea. Task Force LYNX was a one day tank-infantry operation on 21 Sept. 51. The action was in the Iron Triangle area where the 25th DIV was at the time.

The 34th REGT was never a part of the 25th DIV. It was part of the 24th INF DIV.

I am enclosing a picture of the 25th DIV - 27th INF "Wolfhounds" I and R Platoon taken in July 1951. (Close left: DICK SPITLER. Far left: Platoon Sgt. Far Center: MACEY.

--F. MIKE MACEY (25th Div; 27th REGT. - "K" Co and Regt. I and R Mar - Oct 51 and 24th Div; 34th REGT - 2nd BN S-2 - Japan Oct 51 - July 52); 1200 Main St.; Vestal, NY 13850.

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### AND ANOTHER LETTER ON LYNX

I was a member of the 25th Div, 34th Regt Inf. In 1951, the 34th Regt formed a platoon-size group of Inf soldiers and called them the Lynx Raiders. I was a member. They might have changed the name Rangers from Raiders which we called ourselves. The first Platoon sergeant was Sgt Brown. One of our platoon sergeants (Sgt Gorden) was killed on a raid. The function of the Raiders was to gather information about the enemy: (1) to capture prisoners, and (2) to find out where the MLR was. This information was used for our main body of men to spearhead into North Korea. Our call letters for the Raiders were Lynx's RED Raiders (Macaroni 77).

--ARTHUR J. MANDICK; 15 Newport Ave.; Selden, NY 11784, phone 516-732-0697.

### ANYONE FROM "G" CO. 32ND REGT 7TH INF. DIVISION

I served in "G" Co. 32nd REGT from April '51 to Feb '52. Assigned to Joe Nelson's squad and advanced to Platoon Sgt. of the 3rd Platoon. Was transferred to 1st Platoon as Platoon Sgt. 10 Jan of '52. Rotated in Feb '52. Would enjoy hearing from any old buddies that may remember me. Remember some names but no addresses.

--Sgt. 1st Class Don "Mike" Might; 310 Island View Lane; Willard, Ohio 44890; 419-935-4491.

### REUNION

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### 2ND DIV, 9TH REGT, CO C, EXPERIMENTAL 1 & 2

Seeking anyone who took basic with Able company, 364th Infantry, converted to Carrier Company #2, Summer 1952, Fort Dix, NJ and served in Ninth and Thirty-eighth infantries, Second Division, September 1952 to September 1953. See the below address or call 1-(508) 453-2540.

--RICHARD M. SAWYER; 42 Second Avenue; Lowell, MA 01854-2808.



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## ARE YOU OUT THERE?

55th AMMO CO, I CORP, 8th ARMY, Korea; from 9/53 - 8/54. Please contact Pfc ARNOLD KAPLAN; 16 Carling Dr.; New Hyde Park, NY 11040.

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66th AIR RESCUE SQUADRON: I seek information about any of my former USAF buddies. Perhaps some are members of KWVA and read Graybeards. I was with the 66th ARS as a radio operator in Flight A in Marston RAF Base in Margate/Ramsgate, England from Jan 1952 - Dec 1954. I have lost touch with these men. We had four SA16 Albatross Triphibian, one C119 Cargo and two H19 Sikorsky helicopter aircraft. Letters would be appreciated.

--MIKE DE LISA; 148 R. NORTH ROAD; EAST WINDSOR, CT 06088.

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5th RCT attached to 24th DIV; ROY E. HEWITT arrived Korea July 1950; wounded three times and was due for rotation back to the States when his group was ambushed and overrun while on a holding action to allow other troops to pass by. P.O.W. of the Chinese from April 25, 1951 to August 21, 1953; at Camp #1; Chang Song, N. Korea. Would like to hear from anyone he might know.

--ROY HEWITT; Box 146; Norwich, Kansas 67118 (phone 316-478-2298).

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KOREA: 2nd DIV 38th Field Artillery; WWII: 13th Air Force, 72nd Bomb Squadron. If you knew me, or were there, please contact JAMES E. MILLINGTON; 3351 James Road; Memphis, TN 38128 or phone 901-388-2890.

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F Company - 8th Cavalry Regiment 1949-1951. JOE CHRISTOPHER; 210 N. Citadel Ave.; Tucson, Az 85748; (602) 885-0673.

## MORE (Are You Out There?)

I CORPS 622nd MP Co: 1950-1951, Japan and Korea. Looking for JAMES HUMPHRIES and ROOSEVELT ASHLEY. Please contact CYLDE J. AUSTIN; 1417 92nd St.; Byron Center, Mich 49315.

## TACP CASUALTIES SOUGHT

I would like to contact anyone who knows what happened to S/Sgt. Bird Hensley and Pfc. Edward Logston, both members of a tactical air control party (radio jeeps), who were reported missing in action early in July 1950. A third member of the party, Lt. Phillip Pugliese, forward air controller, returned to friendly lines.

Also, anyone knowing the disposition of Forward air controller Lt. Arnold Rivedal of another TACP team who went missing a few days before, and his unidentified team, please contact me. As nearly as I can determine they were among the first USAF casualties in the Korean War. Please forward any information to me as I am writing a history of the tactical air control parties in Korea.

--RICHARD T. PROCTER; P.O. Box 676; Sechelt, British Columbia VON 3A0, CANADA.

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10th SPECIAL SERVICES CO: We were headquartered in Taegu but operated all over Korea. I was Platoon Sergeant of the 2nd Platoon and would like to hear from anyone in the company. Contact me -- BRUCE BUDD BROWN; 519 Grissom Road, NW; Lake Placid, Fla 33852; phone 813-699-0062.

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24th INF DIV. 21st REGT, Co K, 3rd BN; 1948 - OCT 1950.

I would like hear from anyone who served with me. We were some of the first to fight in the Korean War; there are very few of us left that survived those first few days and months. Please contact: CHARLES E. LAKE; 1022 Congress St.; Ogdensburg, NY 13669.

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8221st FA Topographic & Metrological Det., AU X Corps Artillery, Korea 1950-54. About this time every year my mind takes a walk back into the hills of South Korea with the 2d Infantry Division. Our unit had been assigned a task of providing survey control for the Division's artillery units. The action got really hot throughout this month and we all got involved in the fighting and running back and forth. The action centered around Hill 1051 and others and got pretty sticky during this time. At any rate, I am looking to make contact with any person or persons who served in my squad and with the 8221st while in Korea. As a charter member of the unit I recall we formed at Camp McNeely, Yokahama in Aug-Sept 1950 and had to wait for some of our people to be returned from units in Korea, and some to be shipped from the States. I was part of a group that came from the 29th Engrs, then in the Philippines. I understand that the 8221st remained in Korea until 1954. Sure would like to hear from someone who was there. Thanks,  
--MICHAEL C. J. KAMINSKI; 2912 So. 10th Avenue; Broadview, IL 60153; Phone: 708/345-8244.

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2nd DIV: I would like to correspond with someone who was a member of the 2nd Inf. Div., at Ft. Lewis Wa, prior to departing for Korea in 1950. I would like the date of departure, ships names and date of arrival at Pusan. I have a vague recall of these facts but would like to verify. I would appreciate correspondence from anyone with any or all of this information. The need for this information is that my sons have asked for a memoir of my experiences in Korea 1950-1953.

I would like information about the following three men; Ronald Lescrate, Richard Robinson and Leroy Lester. Ronald (Ron) Lescrate was wounded just prior to Thanksgiving 1950 and was evacuated out by chopper with a groin wound. The last contact with Richard (Rabbit) Robinson was 30 November 1950, he was a member of an F.O. party. Lescrate and Robinson were both members of Btry A 38th F.A. Bn 2nd Inf. Div. I last saw Leroy Lester about 23 August 1953 as we were released at Panmunjom. I believe all three men were from the northeastern states. Any information will be sincerely appreciated! P.S. Would like to obtain 38th F.A. Bn. crest

--EDWARD E. ZELLER; Rt. 3, Box 40; Hillsboro, IL 62049

# KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

## INTERIM BY-LAWS

(In Force until July 26, 1990)

### ARTICLE I

#### OFFICE

The principal office of the corporation shall be located at 302 Middleton Road, City of Waterford, County of Saratoga, State of New York. The corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of New York, as the Executive Council may determine from time to time.

### ARTICLE II

#### MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. **QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS.** Membership in this association shall consist of Regular Members, and Honorary Members.

##### A. REGULAR MEMBERS

1. Any person who has seen honorable service in any of the United States' Armed Forces during the Korean War (June 25, 1950-January 31, 1955) and who will agree to accept its terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this Association, shall be eligible for regular membership.

2. Any Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient, so honored for a deed or act performed while serving in the Korean War, shall, with his consent and agreement to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this association, shall be eligible for regular membership.

3. Any person held as a prisoner of war while serving in the Korean War, shall with his consent and agreement to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this association, shall be eligible for regular membership.

4. Any person, not in the United States Armed Forces, who served honorably in the Korean Theater of Operations from June 25, 1950-January 31, 1955, as a member of the United Nations Command in the service of the armed forces of participating units, and who agree to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this association, shall be eligible for regular membership.

5. Any woman whose son (Gold Star Mother) or husband (Gold Star Wife) was killed in action, missing in action or died as a prisoner of war during the Korean War (June 25, 1950-January 31, 1955) shall, with her consent, and agreement to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this association, shall be eligible for regular membership.

6. Any person who served in the Korean Theater of Operations from February 1, 1955 to date as a member of the uniformed forces of the United States and agreement to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this association, shall be eligible for regular membership.

7. **VOTING RIGHTS.** Each member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote.

8. **TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP.** The Executive Council, by affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members of the council, may suspend or expel a member for cause after an appropriate hearing, and, by a majority vote of those present at any regularly constituted meeting, may terminate the membership of any member who becomes ineligible for membership, or suspend or expel any member who shall be in default in the payment of dues for the period fixed hereinafter.

9. **RESIGNATION.** Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the Secretary, but such resignation shall not relieve the member so resigning of the obligation to pay any dues, assessments, or other charges theretofore accrued and unpaid.

10. **REINSTATEMENT.** On written request signed by a former member and filed with the secretary, the executive council, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the council, may reinstate such former member to membership on such terms as the council may deem appropriate.

11. **TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP.** Membership in this association is not transferable or assignable.

##### B. HONORARY MEMBERS

1. Any person of good character may be elected as an honorary member of this association by the Executive Council.

##### C. AUXILIARY MEMBERS

1. Any wife, widow, daughter, or daughter-in-law of any regular member shall, upon their agreement to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this association, shall be eligible for membership in the Auxiliary.

##### D. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

1. Any person with a legitimate interest in the affairs of this association and who wishes to support its aims, and otherwise not eligible to join and who agrees to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the Charter and By-laws of this association shall be eligible for an Associate Membership in the association.

E. **INELIGIBLE.** Any person who has been separated from the service of the Armed Forces of the United States under conditions other than honorable, and who did not thereafter serve honorably, shall be ineligible for membership in this association.

#### Section 2. DUES.

A. Payment of dues is a condition of initial or continuing membership. Honorary members may pay dues, but are not required to do so. Dues for regular members shall be Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars per year. Dues for Auxiliary Members and Associate Members shall be Twelve (\$12.00) Dollars per year. Dues shall become payable on the anniversary date of said membership.

### ARTICLE III

#### OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. **OFFICERS.** The officers of the corporation shall be a president, two vice-presidents, twelve directors and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this article. The Executive Council may elect or appoint such offices, including a secretary, a treasurer, a Judge Advocate, a chaplain, an historian one or more assistant secretaries and one or more assistant treasurers, as it shall deem advisable, such officers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, from time to time, by the executive council. No officer may hold more than one office, except the secretary and treasurer, which offices may be held by the same person.

Section 2. **ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE.** The officers of the corporation shall be elected biannually by the membership at its annual meeting, or as soon thereafter as is practicable. Each year at the annual meeting four members of the executive council shall be elected, which each member having a three year term. The executive council is empowered to nominate one or more persons for each elected position and the members retaining the power to make additional nominations from the floor. To be elected, a candidate must have a majority vote of those members voting. Should there not be a majority vote for the candidates for any office, the two candidates with the highest vote shall have a run-off election with the candidate with the highest vote being elected.

Section 3. **REMOVAL.** Any officer elected or appointed by the members or the executive council or any officer may be removed by the executive council whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Association would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed.

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**Section 4. VACANCIES.** A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the executive council for the unexpired term of office.

**Section 5. POWERS AND DUTIES.** The several officers shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may from time to time be specified in resolutions or other directives of the executive council. In the absence of such specification, each officer shall have the powers and authority and shall perform and discharge the duties of the officers of the same title serving in nonprofit corporations having the same or similar purposes and objectives as this Association.

**Section 6. INDEMNIFICATION.** Each director and officer of the Association now or hereafter serving as such, shall be indemnified by the Association against any and all claims and liabilities to which he has or shall become subject by reason of serving or having served as such director or officer, or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken, omitted, or neglected by him as such director or officer; and the Association shall reimburse each such person for all legal expenses reasonably incurred by him in connection with any such claim or liability, provided, however, that no such person shall be indemnified against, or be reimbursed for any expense incurred in connection with, any claim or liability arising out of his own willful misconduct or gross negligence. The amount paid to any officer or director by way of indemnification shall not exceed his actual, reasonable, and necessary expenses incurred in connection with the matter involved, and such additional amount as may be fixed by a special committee appointed by the executive council. This right of indemnification herein-before provided for shall not be exclusive of any rights to which any director or officer of the Association may otherwise be entitled by law.

The duties of the elected and appointed officers shall be as follows:

**The President:** The President shall perform the functions conferred upon him by these By-Laws and shall generally be responsible for the execution of the policies and programs decided upon by the Executive Council. He may appoint standing committees and ad hoc committees composed of members at large to assist him in the execution of his duties. He shall have the power to call meetings of members of the Association at the Korean War Veterans Reunions and shall preside at such meetings, and he may call for meetings of the Executive Council over which he presides. He shall recommend to the Executive Council any action he considers necessary and proper for the welfare of the Association. All documents which shall be legally binding on the Association shall be signed by the President, except in the case of disbursements by check or draft from the funds under the Association account of the Association, or to an account managed by it; such checks or drafts will be signed and endorsements made by the Treasurer.

**The Vice Presidents:** The two Vice Presidents shall assist the President in the performance of his duties. The first Vice President has seniority, and in the absence of the President shall serve as, and have the powers of, the President. In the absence of both the President and the first Vice President, the Second Vice President, whose term of office shall be for two years, shall be responsible for the Membership of the Association. The Second Vice President shall be responsible for the Association Reunions held during his term of office.

**The Secretary:** The Secretary shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Executive Council. He is responsible for the management of the day-to-day business of the Association, and shall perform all administrative duties required of him by the President. He shall be responsible for recording the minutes of meetings of the Association and shall keep records of the Association. He shall maintain communications with the membership and reunion committees, offering assistance as required to publicize their actions to include assisting in development of Charter Groups and in making arrangements for reunions. Thirty days prior to each reunion he shall submit to each officer and member of the Executive Council an agenda for the Association Business Meeting and an agenda for the Council Meeting. He or his deputy shall be Editor of the Association bulletin and from material provided by the members and other official and unofficial sources, shall maintain quarterly communications with all members on matters of general interest, with specific attention to Korean War Veterans activities and Chapter news. In the performance of his duties, he may hire clerical or other assistance for the proper and expeditious conduct of the Association affairs, as authorized by the Executive Council.

**The Treasurer:** The treasurer shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Executive Council. He shall be responsible for collecting dues and other monies in behalf of the Association and for making timely and proper disbursements from the funds in his charge. He shall maintain custodianship of certain funds, and shall prepare financial statements for publication at Korean War Veterans reunions. At the direction of the Executive Council, he shall be bonded.

**The Chaplain:** The Chaplain shall conduct the Annual Memorial Service to honor the members of the Korean War Veterans Association who were killed in action, or died of wounds as a result of hostile action and to memorialize Association members who are deceased. He shall work closely with the Reunion Chairman and the Secretary and Treasurer and perform such other functions as requested by the President.

**The Historian:** The Historian shall prepare an annual history of the Association and be responsible for obtaining news releases and other materials pertinent to the maintenance of a Korean War Veterans Association Historical record. He shall perform other duties as requested by the President.

**The Executive Council:** The President of the Association shall be chairman. Members shall include the First and Second Vice Presidents, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Directors. The Council shall formulate policies and supervise the execution thereof. It shall have at least one stated meeting during the Annual Reunion preceding the Association Business Meeting, and one immediately following the Business Meeting. It shall meet at other times as required and called by the President, and may vote by mail upon call by the President. It shall establish rules for itself and its internal committees and is responsible for orderly and timely actions between its regular meetings. The Executive Council may make rules as to the manner of notifying its members of business meeting and as to dispensing with such notices in the case of Council members who are not within the convenient traveling distance of the place of the meeting. No person shall receive any salary for services as a member of the Executive Council or the services as President or Vice President. The Executive Council may, from time to time, establish fees for services as Secretary or Treasurer. The Executive Council shall have the control and management of the affairs, property and funds of the Association and shall decide the policies of the Association. The term of office of members of the Executive Council shall be concurrent with their term in the office which qualified them for membership on the Council.

**Committees:** There shall be two types of committees, to wit: (A) Standing Committees, and (B) Special Committees. The Standing Committees (A) shall include the following: Budget and Finance, Membership, Memorial Scholarship Award, Nominations, Resolutions, and Reunion Site. The membership thereof shall be appointed by the President with the consent of the Executive Council for a term of three years, and subject to yearly reconfirmation from the membership at large, except that the chairman of each standing committee shall be chosen from the current membership of the Executive Council. Having thus been chosen, he will continue to serve for the full term regardless of his status as a Council member.

The Special Committees (B) shall be appointed by the President as needed, and shall serve at his pleasure. Such committees include, but are not limited to: Publicity, Reunion Operations - Current Year, and Reunion Operations - Future Years.

The duties and responsibilities of each committee are defined in the charge issued to that committee.

## Section 2. ELECTIONS

- A. The election of officers of the Association shall be held at the Annual Business Meeting.
- B. The majority vote of members attending the business meeting will be required for the election of any nominee.
- C. Terms of the elected officers begin upon their election.

## Section 3. Voting.

A. Voting on matters of business by the members at large shall be done at one or more regularly called business meetings of such members during the period of the Annual Korean War Veterans Reunion. An affirmative vote of the majority of these members at large present and voting at such meeting shall carry the matter voted upon, unless otherwise specified therein.



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B. Voting on matters by the Executive Council shall be done either at regularly called business meetings of the Council at which not less than a quorum of the Council membership is present, or, upon such conditions as the Council may prescribe, by written ballot with not less than a quorum of the Council voting thereby. Chapter Presidents are not counted in establishing the presence or absence of a quorum. An affirmative vote by the majority of the Council members present and voting at such meeting, or voting by such ballot shall carry the matter voted upon.

#### ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

Section 1. An Annual Reunion of the Association shall be conducted at a place and at such time and duration as determined by the Executive Council.

Section 2. The regular business meeting of this Association shall be held during the period of the annual reunion. The regular business meeting shall be preceded by a regular Executive Council meeting which sets the final agenda.

Section 3. Any business meeting of the Executive Council may be called at any time by any member of the Council, or by written petition addressed to the Association President, and subscribed to by not less than ten percent (10%) of the Association members.

Section 4. All meetings shall be conducted under the provisions of these By-laws and the Roberts Rules of Order (Revised).

#### ARTICLE V CHARTER GROUPS

Section 1. The President, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, shall grant any group of members at large a charter from the Association, authorizing such group to conduct itself as a subsidiary chapter of the Association. Membership in such chapter shall be subject to the terms and conditions set forth by the Chartered Group, and membership in the Association shall not of itself entitle any person to membership in the chapter; provided, however, that no person other than a regular member of the Association shall be eligible to be a regular member of the chartered group.

A. A group requesting a charter shall number no less than twelve (12) members.

B. The chartered group may select as name of its own choosing but must submit that name to the President of the Association for approval. All chapter names must include "Korean War Veterans" within their chapter's name. In the event that two sub-groups shall choose the same name, the group first submitting the name to the President shall be the one authorized to use said name.

C. The Chapter shall elect its own officers to include at least a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, at a time and for a term of office to be determined by the Chapter. The Chapter Secretary shall notify the Secretary of the Korean War Veterans Association of the name and addresses of such Chapter officers immediately, and similarly advise concerning all subsequent changes.

D. Chapters wishing to place items on the agenda of the Business Meeting of the Association will forward such items to the Association Secretary at least 60 days prior to the Reunion, to insure compliance with Section II-I-E of these By-laws.

Section 2. **Dissolution.** Chapters may be dissolved voluntarily or for cause. It is the responsibility of the Executive Council of this Association to make the act complete. This will be accomplished, among other acts, by issuing a receipt for any outstanding Association funds or property in the hands of the liquidating Chapter and regaining the Charter issued at the time of the initial recognition of the Chapter.

#### ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS

Section 1. Any proposed amendment to the Charter or Constitution may be submitted to the Board of Directors in writing by any active member of this Association. The proposed amendment shall be read at the next regular business meeting by the secretary. It shall therefore be made available for the examination by members and by publication in the next issue of the Association's newsletter. The amendment proposed shall be voted upon at the next annual reunion and must be approved by a majority vote of those members present to carry.

Section 2. The By-laws shall be amended by a majority vote of the Executive Council meeting as specified in Article III.

Section 3. **Resolutions.** Any active member of this Association may propose a resolution for consideration. It must be presented in writing to the Resolutions Committee, not less than one full day prior to the annual business meeting. The majority vote by the members present at the business meeting shall constitute acceptance and directive for subsequent action and promulgation thereof.

#### END OF BY-LAWS CERTIFICATE OF BY-LAWS

I, William F. Smyers, Secretary of the Korean War Veterans Association, a not-for-profit New York Corporation, hereby certify:

The foregoing By-laws, comprising 4 pages is a true and correct copy of the By-laws of the Korean War Veterans Association, as amended or otherwise altered to date. The By-laws in effect at present are the same as those amended or otherwise altered to date by Executive Council of the Korean War Veterans Association as of February 10, 1990, subject to the approval of the membership on July 26, 1990.

Dated: February 10, 1990

*William F. Smyers*  
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William F. Smyers, Secretary

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County of Kings ss.

On March 9, 19 90, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared WILLIAM F. SMYERS who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who executed the within instrument as Secretary of the Korean War Veterans Association on behalf of the corporation therein named, and acknowledged to me that the corporation executed the within instrument pursuant to its by-laws or a resolution of its Board of Directors.

*Cheryl Anne Amos*  
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NOTARY PUBLIC





### NJ's No. 1 NATIONAL DONATION SALESMAN

We of the small but mighty state of New Jersey wish to make note of our state vice commander Richard Alexander. It is not often that you find an individual so dedicated to the principles of a project or program as he has been for our national memorial.

Rich will sell you anything at anytime and if he doesn't have it, he'll do everything possible to get it for you if the price is right and the profit goes for a donation to our memorial.

We estimate Rich and his lady friend has spent on the average of 5 days out of 7 and all his time off from the police department in Woodbridge. We also estimate that Rich has collected over \$3500 in donations. We are proud and feel this accomplishment should receive proper recognition.

--FOR GOD AND COUNTRY. Robt. J. Wacker; Judge Advocate; Edward C. Benfold Chapter.

### "MY SON AND I WERE SHOCKED" — AND SEEKING LT. HEMPHILL

Dear KWVA: Many thanks for the splendid work on our newsletter.

Last Memorial Day my son and I attended our first memorial Day parade here in Houston. The Vietnam GI planned a big to-do with their Memorial Wall replica at Sam Houston Park.

We watched the parade begin close to downtown. First came the men from Vietnam, looked like several thousand strong, next came the K-Vets—seven men strong. My son and I were shocked. Even the K-Vets didn't show up. Most of us came home and tried to forget over the years but memories die hard. Behind the Korean Vets were several hundred WWII men. I am going to see the parade again this year only this time I plan to walk in it.

Keep up the good work. I would like to know if anyone knows of a Lt. Wooten "Speedy" Hemphill from Houston who was in Korea.

--NAT W. YOUNG; 13318 Canaan Bridge, Houston, Texas 77041

**WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF PEOPLE** standing on the ridge lines and getting shot down in their efforts to raise funds for the national memorial. Part of the problems seems to be a kind of slackening of effort to PUSH for the NATIONAL in Washington, D.C. Your help is still as vitally needed as ever -- we turned around in 1988 -- now let's go over the top in 1990! After all, it was your war, and we want the world to know about you and your buddies.

### AGE 17, 24TH DIV, 21ST INF REGT THOSE FIRST DAYS OF WAR

Dear Stan;

I have been trying to write this letter for over a year, but was very hard to do. But after reading and listening about the Korean War so much, I thought it was time to tell all I know. And I hope the right people will listen.

I was only Seventeen when I joined, took basic at Ft Benning, Ga. Shipped to Japan to the 24th Div. 21st Inf. Regt.

When the Korean War broke out (we) I was one of the original first to go to Korea. When we marched up and into our first day of battle, we were hit very hard and ran right through us. Outnumbered and tanks that destroyed anything we had. Our guns bounced off their tanks. Only a handful of us got out alive. I to this day, don't know how I got out of there those first few days. I pulled wounded out, I destroyed equipment we couldn't get out. A total disaster. We kept up a hit and run until they could get reinforcements to us. When they captured prisoners, they tied their hands behind their backs, and shot them in the back of the head. The North Koreans were the worst. I hated them from first day to this day. They took no prisoners, only when they were special. I was kind of nutty then. My first Combat, being so young. Always afraid, but eager to fight and pay back. Very few survived the 21st Inf. We were the beginning of the war, I was also in the Area when General Dean was captured. Pretty messy. I received the Bronze Star, was in three major battles received citations, etc. I was so bitter towards Koreans. They'd run out on you in those days. So for years I was screwed up and never could explain or write about this. But reading your paper and articles, I find not too many guys from the day one of the war. I am one of those, to describe all the stories is still not easy for me.

I am in the process of sending for my medals, which I have never received for 40 years now. Still haven't heard or received them. They should write and tell of the Korean war from the first day. The unit who was first in Combat and the weeks ahead until help arrived! Those first weeks aren't told truthfully. A lot of us Korean Vets are bitter, I am. Forty Years to get my medals! After all, come on, I sent in proof I earned them!

If any one writes stories about the Korean War, write the first days of the fighting Gimlets 24th Div. 21st Inf. Those guys deserve a story from week one on.

--BILL GARDNER; 7707 Long Beach Blvd.; Beach Haven Crest, N.J. 08008.

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**WILL SOME ONE IN VETERANS  
ADMINISTRATION HEED THIS, FOLLOW THROUGH,  
AND SEND HIS MEDALS TO BILL? and maybe let the  
Graybeards know about it.**

### WERE YOU AT VEGAS OR THE HOOK?

I hope that you or one of the members can help me with a reference question I am currently researching: A library patron's father fought in the First Marine Corps division in the Korean War. He would like to know something about two battles in which his father fought. He gave the names of the battles as The Hook and Vegas. He says that the battles lasted for 71 days in 1953. The battles were named after two mountains where the battles took place.

The problem I am running into in researching this question is that the history books refer to Hill number..., not to names like Vegas and The Hook. Can anyone in your association relate those names to hill numbers? Or shed any more light on these battles. Thank you.

--LYNNE ANDERSON; Santiago Library System; 14361 Yale Ave.; Irvine, CA 92714

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MEMORIAL**

### COMRADE IN DISTRESS

Co. "C." 84th Engineer Construction BN., LLOYD METZ R.R. 2; Box 43; Fairbury, Illinois 61739. Phone (815) 692-3508. To verify a claim that while working on the "Freedom Gate Bridge" across the Imjim River, I became very sick with severe fever and chills, sought shelter in the surveyor's tent. Third Platoon LT SYKES took me back to camp January 12, 1952. A whole truck load of us went by truck on January 13, 1952 (until we were better) we went to sick call at a FIELD HOSPITAL; MASTER SGT. SWORD was our third Platoon Leader. Listed below some names and address I found. LEROY GADKY, 6921 S. Lowe Street, AB-4-7698 c/o H.B. MORGAN, Chicago, Illinois. WILLIAM BUSING, Rantoul, Illinois. NORMAN HALL, Sibley Iowa. EDWARD MROWEA, 5114 South Trumbull Ave. Chicago, Illinois. HAROLD BACKIM Route 2, Ferryville, Wisconsin. LEO D. SNEROS, 434 State Street, Rawlins, Wyoming. ELMER D. CATLIN 3RD, 2553 Grant Street, Mobile, Alabama. KAI ROBER, Phillipsport, New York. BRUCE BRIGHT, R.R. 4 Ashland, Ohio. IGNACIA VILLA, 3423 Reynolds Ave. Los Angeles, Calif. CHARLES MULGINAX, R. R. 1, Travelers Rest, South Carolina. Any of the above or anyone else remembering my being sick with severe fever and chills I would appreciate hearing from. I need witnesses of being sick over there in Korea to prove service connection.

### NAT'L ASSOC. OF ATOMIC VETERANS IS FIGHTING HEAVY BATTLES

A letter came round-about to Graybeards from KIETH W. DALLMAN; 68 Elmore St.; Holyoke, MASS 01040-1067, Coordinator of Operation "Castle", National Association of Atomic Veterans, outlining his opinion of the way the VA is falling down in its care for all veterans. The letter is lengthy and has several addenda; it is suggested that you write Kieth for full information.

His position is strengthened by a story that appeared in the Washington (DC) Post June 2, 1990. Excerpts: "The typical veterans hospital is considerably more likely than other hospitals to fail quality standards in key areas such as surgery, emergency care and intensive care, according to a study by the commission that accredits most of the nation's health care facilities."

And "Despite expenditures of \$11.6 billion a year, the VA medical care system is burdened with aging facilities. It is often characterized as being understaffed, underfunded, inefficient and in need of restructuring. Last year, a VA study found higher than predicted death rates among patients at about one-fourth of the medical centers.

The commission's vice president for accreditation surveys, William Jessee, added: the VA had not been "adequately funded to bring these physical plants up to current life-safety standards."

KWVA legal counsel, Blaine Friedlander, wrote this: "On Thursday, June 7 I will attend a bar course on VA practice. It should provide an outline of what our members need to know with respect to the VA." Contact Blaine at 2341 Dale Dr.; Falls Church, Va 22043



PHOTO AT LEFT: At the Memorial Day ceremonies at Panmunjon, the Remains of five of our MIA were returned. A group of U.N. Honor Guards are shown marching to their position on U.N. side. More photos on page 4 and 5.

----- (CUT HERE OR MAKE A COPY IF YOU PREFER) -----

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.--- AMERICA'S FORGOTTEN VICTORY"

1. Enrollment for membership in the "Korean War Veterans Association Inc.": is given to any man or woman who served in any of the Armed Forces from June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955; you need not have served in combat to be eligible.
2. Associate member is offered to surviving spouse, children, parents and other.
3. All Medal of Honor recipients and ex-Prisoner of War of the Korean War are automatic Life Time Members. There is no fee for dues.

MAIL TO: Korean War Veterans Association Inc.; P. O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281

K.W.V.A. Annual Dues - \$15.00. Life Membership - \$150.00 Associate - \$12.00

All on our membership roster will receive the K.W.V.A. Newsletter.

HARRY WALLACE, Membership Chairman;  
phone 301-327-4854 ( Baltimore, MD.)

Name: (PLEASE PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_ Service Branch \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Unit Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Please Check One: ☐ POW ☐ KWVA ☐ LIFE MEMBERSHIP ☐ ASSOCIATE

**Make checks payable to: Korean War Veterans Association.**

**WE DO NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS FOR DUES**

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_



## OFFICIAL NOTICE JULY 25-26-27-28, 1990 OFFICIAL NOTICE

A wreath-laying ceremony will be conducted at the Tomb Of The Unknowns at 10 a.m., 27 July 1990. Immediately afterward, a Memorial Service will be held in the Amphitheater in remembrance of our fallen comrades, and those 8,177 men Missing In Action, and the 389 prisoners-of-war still unaccounted for.

This year's *Reunion Fee* is \$115.00 per person. This fee covers Friday and Saturday breakfasts; Thursday dinner; Friday banquet; bus fare to Arlington Cemetery; our flowers, etc. There will be a *separate* Cash Bar just before the banquet. See Selections 1 and 2 below.

25 JULY 1990, WEDNESDAY

Sign-in registration starting 9 a.m.

26 JULY 1990, THURSDAY

Annual business meeting 10:00 a.m. Dinner 6 p.m. Awards to be presented. (Dinner arrangements might be changed).

27 JULY 1990, FRIDAY

Breakfast 7:30 a.m. *Sharp*. (Don't be late) Board buses about 9:00 a.m. - exact time will be announced. Arlington Cemetery ceremony starts 10:00 a.m. Open Cash Bar 6-7 p.m. Banquet 7 p.m.

28 JULY 1990, SATURDAY

Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Open discussion of this year's reunion. Adjournment

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE REUNION - - please fill out the below attendance registration form and return it to the Korean War Veterans Association with your attendance fee. Upon receipt of your attendance form and payment, we will mail you a hotel card for your reservation along with a hotel brochure of particulars.

There are rooms reserved at the SPECIAL RATE of \$62.00 (single or double) per day. Other rooms are available and plentiful. In order to receive this special rate you must use this KWVA procedure and form.

There will be a Hospitality Room serving refreshments Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Should you also wish to make a financial donation (regardless if you attend or not) it will help offset the additional cost of this year's reunion.

### PLEASE MAIL THE 1990 REUNION JULY 25 - 28 CUT HERE

ATTENDANCE QUESTIONNAIRE  
Your KWVA  
Card NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SELECT  
No. 1 or No. 2

Mail to: Korean War Veterans Association (REUNION)  
P.O. Box 12205  
Baltimore, Maryland 21281

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Print) Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Print)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I WILL ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No WIFE: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

1. { Reunion Fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ at \$115.00 per person enclosed; Check number \_\_\_\_\_  
PAYMENT PLAN: (Per person) ☐ ALL NOW ☐ \$35 NOW ☐ \$40 LATER ☐ \$40 IN JULY

OR "PICK-AND-CHOOSE" as follows, for which payment is enclosed or arranged for as explained:

2. { ☒ Flat Fee Must Be Paid - \$24.00 } \_\_\_\_\_ Persons at \$24 Flat Each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due  
☐ Breakfast, 27 July - \$13.00 } \_\_\_\_\_ Persons at \$13 Each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due  
☐ Breakfast, 28 July - \$13.00 } \_\_\_\_\_ Persons at \$13 Each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due  
☐ Dinner, 26 July - \$30.00 } \_\_\_\_\_ Persons at \$30 Each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due  
☐ Banquet, 27 July - \$35.00 } \_\_\_\_\_ Persons at \$35 Each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due

TOTAL  
DUE

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

I will ride the KWVA Bus Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ (We need your answer in order to allocate seating)


**MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Korean War Veterans Association; noted "For 1990 Reunion"**

Operating fund donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed; Check number \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT BY VISA \_\_\_\_\_ MASTERCARD \_\_\_\_\_ CARD NO. \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_ MONEY ORDER

Card Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR SIGNATURE AND DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEE OVER 

# FLYING TO THE REUNION

Glynn H. Coryell Travel Agents International, and a life member of the Korean War Veterans Association, has arranged with Continental Air Lines and Eastern Air Lines for reduced fares for Reunion bound KWVA members. Each airline will sell tickets for 50% off First Class and Coach Fares, and 5% off lowest applicable fares. These prices are for weekday travel.

For each forty tickets sold on each airline separately, said airline will donate a free ticket for a deserving member of KWVA who may not be able to afford air fare.

**Call Glynn's office for further information at (800-486-2900)**

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**IF ANY QUESTION ON REUNION ATTENDANCE, PHONE:**

**HARRY WALLACE  
REUNION CHAIRMAN  
301-327-4854**

**OR:**

**STAN HADDEN, CO-CHAIRMAN  
304-535-2259**