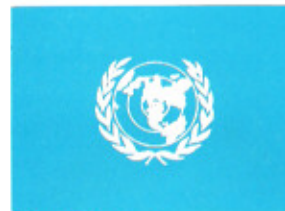




# KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

***“The Graybeards”***



**32nd Anniversary of the Cease Fire 27, July 1985**  
**First Reunion & Memorial Service by**  
***“Korean War Veterans Association Inc.”***  
**Chartered 25, June 1985**

***Though Others  
Have Forgotten***

United States Casualties  
KOREA  
25 June 1950 — July 1953  
54,236 DEAD  
103,000 WOUNDED  
8,177 M.I.A.'s  
7,000 P.O.W.'s  
3,450 Returned Alive  
51% Died in Prison Camps  
389 P.O.W.'s Unaccounted For

***We Shall Never Forget  
Our Comrades***

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## **STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES**

1. To support the ideals this Great Country was founded on;
2. To maintain the dignity and pride of the Korean War Veterans who served this Country when asked to;
3. To work towards the recognition of those who did not return from the Korean War;
4. To maintain and foster the comradeship between the men and women who served during the Korean War;
5. To perpetuate the memory and reason which required our service during the Korean War.



**"He did it"**

July 1985 — Korean War Veterans Association, Washington, D.C.

## **Bill Norris — Joe McCallion "He did it"**

Last year the above two men had an idea to start a Korean War Veterans Chapter in their Division Association. When they asked members if they would be interested they had a negative response. Joe had been working hard in Massachusetts for recognition of the Korean War Veterans and Bill was advised to team up with Joe.

Both men were determined to do something, so they planned the Reunion and Memorial Service at Arlington, VA on 26, 27, and 28 July 1985. Bill put the Charter together and had it submitted to the Attorney Generals Office of New York State. While attending a ceremony in Boston, Massachusetts State House organized by Joe on 25, June 1985 as recognition for Korean War Veterans Day in Massachusetts, the Charter was approved. Of course everyone will remember that day. It was decided to wait until we went to Arlington to see if others would be interested in becoming a National Organization.

There were only about 50 Veterans there and they voted unanimously to go ahead and 39 men signed up. Well that is how it started and when these two were asked who done it, you can see the reply on each . . . "He did it!"

Well from the two with the idea and the two others, Mario Scarcelletta and Art Patterson who agreed to give a hand when the planning got started for the First Reunion and Memorial Service, we now have over 500 members. These members are from all branches of service; Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, Women Army Corp. All served during the "Korean War" between 25, June 1950 to 31, January 1955, and at duty stations all over around the world.



Participants from the Korean Embassy at the ceremony at Arlington Cemetery. From left to right: 1. Colonel Ahn, Jeak Soon — Air Force Attache 2. Commodore Kim Kyong Sop — Naval Attache (now former — returned to Korea) 3. Major General Yoon, Doug Kyu — Military Attache 4. Brigadier General Hwan, In-Gab — Logistics Service Attache (former — returned to Korea) 5. Colonel Do, Sang Ho — Defense Research and Development Attache.

### "TAPS"

Died 18 January 1986

Manamon, Frederick G., Chartered Member No. 257

9 November 1985

P.O. Box 24

Bourne, MA 02532

Fred served with the 5th R.C.T. 24th Inf. Div. and the 19th Inf. Regt., 24th Inf. Div. from July 1950 to July 1952. He was a disabled Veteran and proud to have served his country during the Korean War. Fred also was very proud to have joined and to become a chartered member of the Korean War Veterans Association. We wish to express our sympathy and extend our condolences to his widow Theresa and he will be remembered in our Memorial Service at Arlington National Cemetery this July by all attending.

We dedicate this first newsletter in memory of  
Frederick G. Manamon

Special thanks to the following for their recruiting efforts: Bill Booker, NY. LeRoy Strucker, NY. Ken Poss, GA. Sam Talbert, W. VA. Bob O'Hara, OH. Tony Zdanavage, PA. Charles Soules, NJ. Herb Parnow, MI. Bud Collett, AR. Joe Ricker, LI, NY. Richard Winterstein, MD. Dick Adams, CA. Stan Hadden, VA. Dale Riggs, NY. Richard Soderlund, IL, and Jack Jones, PA.

These men have put their initials on applications and are very visible when it comes to registering new members and they must really be banging ears. Some of the above mentioned men have put ads in local newspapers and union papers and it has resulted in others cutting them out of the papers and sending them in as applications for membership. It is also because of others who have passed on the additional applications that they have received upon joining the Association. The Association would like to thank those whose initials are not on the applications that we have on file because of their efforts.



Korean War Veterans placing their yellow mum flower on the book containing the names of M.I.A.'s & P.O.W.'s and 389 P.O.W.'s still unaccounted for.

### Korean National Flag, Taekukki

The Korean flag symbolizes much of the thought, philosophy and mysticism of the Orient. The symbol, and sometimes the flag itself, is called *Taekuk*.

It is said that the *Taekuk* flag was first flown in August of 1882, the 19th year in the reign of King Kojong of the Yi Dynasty. A treaty was made at this time between Korea and Japan at Chemulpo to end the hostilities resulting from Hideyoshi's invasion of Korea in 1592. To effect this treaty, Kim Ok-kyum and Park Young-hyo went to Japan as special envoys and, feeling the necessity of a national flag, Park originated the *Taekuk* while on the ship to Japan. In 1883 it was formally adopted as the national flag of Korea.

The three aspects of a nation are the land, the people and the government. These are symbolized on the *Taekuk*: the white ground represents the land, the circle represents the people, and the four sets of bars represent the government.

Depicted on the flag is a circle divided equally and in perfect balance. The upper (red) section represents the *yang* and the lower (blue) section the *um*, an ancient symbol of the universe. These two opposites express the dualism of the cosmos: fire and water, day and night, dark and light, construction and destruction, masculine and feminine, active and passive, heat and cold, plus and minus, and so on.

The central thought in the *Taekuk* indicates that while there is a constant movement within the sphere of infinity, there are also balance and harmony.

Three bars at each corner also carry the ideas of opposition and balance. The three unbroken lines stand for heaven; the opposite three broken lines represent earth. At the lower left hand corner of the flag are two lines with a broken line between. This symbolizes fire. The opposite is the symbol of water.



## **Anxiety, Frustration or Just Plain Growing Pains . . .**

I think that the above words are the ones that I have been hearing and dealing with the most since coming home from this year's reunion. As a newly formed organization, there are many problems that come into being with regards to the administration and legal technicalities that come into this world of reality.

Let's start with the registration of each person that has sent for information and then the registration of those that wish to join. The disposition of the money that has been sent in has to be deposited and the purchase of supplies to keep operating. The necessary amendment that is needed prior to getting State and Federal Tax Exempt Status to be eligible for Veterans Organization Status. Until this is done we cannot apply for a Bulk Mailing Permit from the Post Office. I have turned this over to a lawyer who has already drawn up one amendment which was not acceptable by the Supreme Court Judge. So, now it is back to the lawyer's office with it. It takes time and until this is done we will have to endure these growing pains that are so often found in newly born organizations.

There have been a lot of inquiries on how to go about starting a Chapter. Well it all boils down to, we are not in a position to issue Charters to Chapters until the above recognition is received granting us recognition as a Veterans Organization from the Federal Government. I have been explaining this to all those that have called me and to some that I have called. I hope that within the next few months that this will be resolved.

The Treasurer John Herbert has taken over the registration of new members in addition to his duties as treasurer, because with the limited number of members starting this year at Arlington, we did not appoint someone to this position not knowing how fast we would be growing. I am sure that at the annual business meeting this year during the reunion we will have a lot more positions filled in the needed areas within this association. We will try to organize a ladies' auxiliary also, so tell your wives to be patient. We will not omit them from this organization.

At a special meeting of the Executive Board on 28, Sept. 1985, a few of these pains received special attention. I have been given permission to engage a lawyer to help with the amendment (this I have done.) They voted on the type of head gear for the organization and it was the hat we had made up for this year's reunion. As I was all out of them I had to order another 150 hats and I am a little behind in filling some requests for hats prior to anyone knowing it is the Official Head Gear. It was requested that I

get a Post Office Box for the Association and get three keys so that others would be able to retrieve mail so that nothing important would go unanswered should someone not be available to pick it up.

The 2nd Vice-President, Art Patterson was told to proceed to put this year's reunion together and has already reserved 150 rooms at the Westpark Hotel in Arlington, VA. He has gotten permission for Wreath Laying Ceremony and Memorial Service at the Arlington National Cemetery. There will be more information sent to all the members in a special news bulletin in April and we are hoping that we will have all the information that will be needed by then.

During this meeting the president informed all that he had sent to each Gold Star Family of Korean Veterans a red, white and blue silk flower and about a foot of ribbon from the wreath that was used in the ceremony in the Amphitheater that he had brought home. These families had contacted him prior to or after the reunion and he told them we will never forget or let them be forgotten again.

Looking back six months to the get together at Arlington, VA to the 39 men that said, "let's go," we took off and now have close to 800 (including women) members and this is the reason we are suffering these delightful growing pains. From passing applications to fellow Korean Veterans by each that had written in and those that put it in their Division Newsletter and even to some that have taken ads out in local newspapers that are being clipped out and sent in the word is getting out. Through this way of getting the word out we have received a request from the President of the British Korean War Veterans Association wanting to know if he could join our Association. We have also received one from a Turkish Officer who served with the 25th Inf. Div. as a Liaison Officer between the 25th Inf. Div. and the Turkish Brigade and as interpreter with the G-2 Section.

How can I thank you all for your patience and understanding as we suffer these growing pains that we are now having. It would never have come about without the understanding of the membership. I know I promised a newsletter sooner but I hope that you will accept these reasons.

*Bill Norris, President*

## **Special Meeting of Executive Board 28, September 1985**

It was agreed not to furnish the list of memberships to anyone requesting it at this time. This was decided upon to prevent the membership from receiving unwanted requests. It will be brought up again in July at the Annual Business meeting for discussion for the general membership to vote on.

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#### **No Computer Yet.**

I am sorry to say that at this time we are not able to put you in touch with former comrades you have served with as we do not have a computer yet. We are hoping that this year we will be able to do this and that is the reason we would like the information that we requested on the applications. At the rate that we are growing this will be a reasonable possibility this year. At the time when the Association can get a computer all the necessary information will be on hand to put into it. At that time we may be in a position to help those Korean War Veterans who are looking for help as those listed in "Good and Welfare".

#### **Project Freedom**

The following request was received from a group known as: "Project Freedom" for all you members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars an article appeared in the June 1985 issue of that magazine in their efforts to locate men missing in action in Korea. Joe Gillaspie, PO Box 4, Clarksville, Arkansas 77830 (501) 754-6363. Joe is trying to locate Joseph F. Dutra, Swamchee, MA who was captured 1 Dec. 1950 and was released from Camp 5, 5 Sept. 1953. He was assigned to HQ CO, 82nd FA BN at the time he was captured. He would appreciate information concerning a SFC William Curran, HQ CO, 82nd FA BN who is listed as missing in action on 1 Dec. 1950, also.

#### **Did you receive the Medals you earned?**

For anyone who has not received their medals while in the service you may apply for them by writing to and sending along a copy of your DD-214 which you

received upon discharge with all your personal information on it to the following address and requesting them:

Department of the Army  
U.S. Army Reserve Components  
Personnel & Administration Center  
9700 Page Boulevard  
St. Louis, Missouri, 63132-5200

#### **Special Announcement: Membership**

As of 31 December 1985 we reached 537 Members and we are still receiving requests for applications to join. I received a certified package during the first week of January from Bob O'Hara of Illinois and it has 48 membership applications with their money and that explained why it was registered. I want to thank Bob and his wife Patti for all the effort they have put into getting the word out in their area. Bob had sold over three dozen Association hats so that others will see that the Korean War Veterans have an Association finally. When I called John Herbert our Treasurer I was sure to ask if he was sitting down before I told him of the above. John and his wife Rose had taken over the registration to give me time for other duties. With the Holiday Season they thought that they had finally seen the end of registrations for a while. Bob put a damper on their thoughts of some free time and the only complaint I heard was, "Bob we need more stamps, envelopes, index cards and another index card filing box."

I would like to thank all of the 537 members who joined the Association in the first six months. These members had belief and faith in a new organization and with their belief I am sure we will grow stronger. Already in the first half of January we have received an additional 75 members and I have again received the word "More Stamps".

#### **Appointment of Medical Advisor and Consultant**

Dr. William D. Racek had offered to serve as Medical Advisor and Consultant to the Korean War Veterans Association. Dr. Racek has served during WWII, Korea and Vietnam and is a retired Col. Dr. Racek is presently working at the Coatsville Veterans Administration Medical Center, Coatsville, PA 19320 and specializes in the Delayed Stress field. You may contact him by writing to the above address or by phoning him at this number during working hours: (215) 384-7711, ext 680. Should he not be in his office, have the operator page him.

It was a pleasure to receive the offer of his professional service in this special field that has affected many Korean War Veterans but has been ignored. I am looking forward to receiving articles with regards to this print in future newsletters.

26th, 27th and 28th July 1985

**The first gathering of the Korean War Veterans at Arlington, Virginia.**

This year a group of former Korean War Veterans gathered at Arlington, VA to pay their respects to some former friends and comrades. Although this War is often referred to as a Police Action or a Conflict it still remains one of the bloodiest that American Military participated in. It was a War that lasted only 3 years and 32 days and this was with direct contact with an enemy during this entire period. It was the first use of the United Nations combined effort to stop the takeover of a member nation following its formation after WW II by another aggressive country.

It followed the same patterns of former wars with the Armored Assaults used by the Germans of WW II *Driving the Defending Forces* into a defensive perimeter at Pusan similar to Dunkirk in France. Although the similarity ended there with regards to Dunkirk because the friendly forces did not have to be taken out of the country. With the reinforcements the United Nations forces were able to hold and eventually break out to force the enemy back. The gallant efforts of the first group to meet the enemy and delay them until the rest of their Division arrived was a small group of 530 men known as *Task Force Smith of 21st Regt. the 24th Inf. Div.* The addition of the 25th Inf. Div., 1st Cav. Div. 2nd Inf. Div. and a Regt. of the United States Marines, the 5th RCT and the 29th RCT.

With the break out of the Pusan perimeter and the invasion at Inchon by the 1st Marine Div. and the 7th Inf. Div. the North Korean Army was trapped and captured and the rest driven back north. We have to mention at this time that it was necessary to send 5,000 South Korean to Japan to be placed in the 7th Inf. Div. to bring them up to strength. The replacements that were needed during the defense of the Pusan perimeter had drained this Div. of man power. The official name given to these replacements was *K.A.T.U.S.A., (Korean Augmentation Troops United States Army and/or Korean Army Troops United States Army.)* Although many could not speak English they were placed with an American who was to be his buddy and help him along and show him what to do. These men were conscripted off the streets and some reporting into Japan still had School Books in their possession and one even had the prescription of medicine that he had gone to the drug store to get for his sick wife.

In less than 6 months after first arriving in Korea and with the addition of the United States 3rd Inf. Div., 40th Inf. Div. and 45 Inf. Div. the force grew and security of the country was in sight of the United Nations forces that had driven the attacking force back north to the Yalu River. It had stemmed the takeover

by the original country causing this action and it looked like it was over. Then the Chinese forces joined North Korea's defeated army and drove the United Nations back south. After stemming this second onslaught and solidifying a line this was went into a WW I type war. It was the time of trenches and bunkers, patrols and probes. With the movement stopped it became a time that the Artillery from both forces showed what they could do. A time that the kids game many of us had played called King on the Hill. Each force showed their strength by pushing each other from little mounds and hills in front of each others main line of trenches.

With the line back at the 38th Parallel it was the time that both sides decided to talk peace and to try to resolve the existing problem. It took two years of talks and all this time each side opposed the other and continued to cost the lives of men. During this time again another first started to take place, *The Big "R" (Rotation)*. It was time to send those that were sent into Korea first home and they were to be replaced by replacements from the United States and further use of Korean soldiers into American units. During this time the Republic of Korea had trained and brought more Korean Divisions onto the defensive line relieving other United Nations Forces to take a long deserved rest from the day to day combat they endured since arriving in Korea.

While those units serving on the ground were being relieved for short periods of time the Air Force was still flying their support that the ground troops needed. Bombers flew from Okinawa and Japan at the start and fighter aircraft flew from Japan an aircraft carrier while off shore Naval ships furnished support fire also. Later the Air Force moved into Korea to give the close and prompt support when called upon. Although aircraft were in support of the North Korean Forces at the beginning the United Nations Air Forces were soon to neutralize their effectiveness. Many air battles were conducted by the Air Forces along the Yalu River in a place call Mig Alley.

Another first came into play again in this new type of warfare it was the use of the helicopter. The rescue of United Nations pilots shot down behind enemy lines by special units called *Air/Sea Rescue*. These units were stationed behind friendly lines and aboard Navy ships off the coast of North Korea. There were helicopters assigned to another first during this war, *M.A.S.H. (Mobile Army Surgical Hospitals)*. These units were close to combat lines where they were able to give prompt medical service to the wounded and by doing so saved many lives. These units had helicopters that flew severely wounded back for treatment from just behind the front lines. They have even been known to go on over the front lines to retrieve wounded to get them back for treatment instead of waiting for them to be



brought behind friendly lines.

Yes there were so many firsts in Korea, until we sit down and think and talk as we did at Arlington this year many had not realized. Even those that served in Korea had forgotten or tried to forget. It is strange how we allowed the American People and especially the American Government to forget our friends and comrades for so long, over 54,000 died, 8,177 missing in action and the 389 prisoners of war know to be alive at the signing of the Cease Fire that still remain *unaccounted for* (see recent article in regards to this in newsletter). The hardships that the Prisoners of War had to endure during their captivity, the lack of medical treatment, food, and proper clothing cost the lives of many of these gallant men. It shows that of the 7,000 prisoners of war only 3,450 were finally returned. During these 3 years and 32 days there were over 103,000 men wounded. Yes it is no wonder that it is referred to as "AMERICA'S FORGOTTEN WAR." Those that fought and served during this war are often referred to as the "Silent Warriors."



*No mate - the Light Infantry*

## Chosen Scenes

By Hamish Eaton

reproduced from "The Morning Calm"  
British Korean Veterans Newsletter

The following writers are looking for information about the Korean War and would appreciate any help or assistance association members may be able to give them in their writing of books and history updates:

Mr. Bill Baumann, RD NO. 1, Box 188, Esperance, NY 12166. *Looking to update the history of the 25th Inf. Div. Service during the Korean War.*

Mr. Don Knox, 4661 Marlborough Drive, San Diego, CA 92116 (619) 284-4110. *Is planning another book following his recent one "Pusan to the Chosin." He intends to do the same as the first getting statements from interested veterans covering time after the first book's time frame. Present book released and is in the book stores and cost \$24.95.*

Mr. Maxs Hasting, Gullsborough Lodge, Gullsborough, North Hamptonshire, England. *Has been commissioned by Simon & Shuster Publishers of New York to write a book about the Korean War. He would like Korean War veterans to contact him. He has been in the United States this Spring interviewing veterans and can always use more views.*

Mr. Bob Zoller, 2019 Shady Lane, Muscatine, Iowa 52761. *Looking to update actions of the 27th Inf. Regt. (Wolfhounds), 25th Inf. Div. Wants former members who served with this Regt. in Korea to contact him.*

Mr. Phil Napoli, 309 W. 54th Street, Apt. 5D, New York, NY 10019. *Writing a book on the Korean War and would like veterans to contact him to help him so a proper job can be done.*

The only way a good story can be written is to get the information to these writers and help them to accomplish something for others to know what we know. Others will never know what really happened unless you are willing to help these men who are so willing to tell our story and have asked for our help. I would like to ask some of those that served with the Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard and the many support units, Ord., QM, Port Detachment, Rail Transportation, MP Companies, Signal BNS and the other little units that you never hear about to contribute with their knowledge. We want to ask those women who were over there and who never say anything to open up and let us help these writers who are asking for our help to do a superb story.

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*By the time a man can afford to lose a golf ball he can't hit it far enough to lose it.*

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*The guy who looks down on his neighbors is usually living on a bluff.*

Nov. 2, 1985

**"Gold Star Families Appreciation"**

Upon returning home from this years Reunion we brought back the wreath that was used in the Ceremony in the Ampitheatre at Arlington National Cemetery. We had received letters from "Gold Star Families" of Korean War Veterans thanking the Association for what they have done.

The Association sent each family a silk flower (red, white, and blue) and a foot of ribbon from this Wreath. It also sent along a name tag that we used during this reunion, with the deceased veterans name. We have received thank you letters from each family and with their permission to publish their letters expressing the feeling of all to see.

Dear Bill Norris:

Read the article about the Forgotten Korean's Vet and I've felt that way for many years. My brother Robert Dupene was killed there April 29, 1951. Not eighteen years old. He might have been the kid that was killed near you.

Thanks again for making the Public remember. I thought everyone has forgotten the Korean War but myself.

Thank you

*So happy  
just to know someone  
who does the things you do...  
So happy  
just to send a word  
of special thanks to you.*

Mrs. Louis Duquette

★ ★ ★  
*Don't depend on nature to give you special protection from accident. Train your human nature to do the job.*

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*You don't do the right things automatically unless you have practiced doing the right things consciously.*

Mr. William T. Norris  
President, Korean War Veterans Association  
P.O. Box 4610  
Halfmoon, NY 12065

Dear Mr. Norris:

In reference to your letter of October 19, please be assured that you may use any and all of my correspondence in way you wish. Just, please do delete my address only. I could hope that this will help in some way.

It is with amazement that I read how very much you all have been doing toward our mutual purpose! It must have taken many hours and many days to accomplish so much in such a short space of time!

You have been such a spearhead in all of this! Would really hate to have you step down as president of the organization. However, I believe whatever you do is in the best interests of our goal.

Enclosed is the copy of an article clipped from the "American Legion" magazine of October 1985. Interesting observations from several sources, right?

Please do keep me on your 'list'. Whatever I can do, that I shall do.

Sincerely,

Genevieve S. Anderson  
(Mrs. O.A. Anderson)

Dear Mr. Norris,

You don't know me nor do I know you, but I read in our morning paper, where you were going to honor the men of the Korean War at Arlington Cemetery in Washington DC. I am very glad you are doing this as I had a brother killed in the Korean War on August 27, 1951. He was only nineteen at the time and had just gone to Korea.

Too many people forget that there was an actual War over there, but my family will always remember because of my brother. His name was Marshall Glenn Fellows and he was from Warren, PA.

I and my mother, brother and sisters thank you for remembering the young kids that fought over there and some of whom never returned.

May God bless you and your buddies for remembering.

Mrs. John Catalfu



October 29th, 1985  
Mr. William T. Norris, President  
302 Middletown Road  
Waterford, New York 12188

Dear Mr. Norris:

First I want to apologize for being so slow in thanking you for the beautiful bouquet of flowers. I put them in a vase right by my son's picture. I really so appreciate your kindness and the nice letter, which my friend, Mrs. Elda Johnson brought to me.

I agree with you 100%, regarding the Korean War Veterans have been neglected and, I'm so thankful to you, Mr. Norris, and others who are doing all in your power to honor the Korean War Veterans.

My wonderful son, CPL. Charles Schemmel, Marine, was killed in Korea June 10th, 1951 and the shock of that horrible telegram was absolutely TERRIBLE.

My only other son, Robert Schemmel, was in Service also at the time. Naturally it was an awful blow for him, too.

Elda Johnson and I would have liked to attend the Reunion and Memorial Services this year but I'm 83 years of age and not in the best of health and Elda was not able to go either.

Intended to answer your letter immediately but I have been ill, cold and terrible cough, for 3 weeks.

My husband has emphysema, so not well, and requires quite a lot of care so please excuse me for not answering your nice letter sooner. Thanking you most kindly for the flowers and letter.

Sincerely,  
Mildred Schemmel Jensen

P.S. Surely would like to attend the 33rd Anniversary, 27th of July 1986.

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October 5, 1985

Mr. William Norris  
Korean War Veterans Association  
302 Middletown Road  
Waterford, New York 12188

Dear Mr. Norris:

It was with a few tears that I read the letter you sent on August 22, 1985, including the flowers from the wreath used in the memorial ceremony. One thinks that time takes care of the hurt; but when I saw my brother's name, it all came back to me! I am so very

pleased that you sent the flowers and the name tag. Nothing could have made me feel that NOW we are on the right track to make others become aware of our needs!!! Your letter, the newly-formed association, and the backing of our legislators all make me realize that the memorial will truly come about.

On August 23, 1985, Mr. Jim Holley sent me a copy of the bill. In response to my letter to our representative in the House, George E. Brown, Jr., I also have a letter on September 9, 1985. He also will support the bill. (And I will continue to 'hassle' him about it.)

How great to receive the computer. The tremendous amount of correspondence you have had is amazing and I hope that this will be of some assistance to you. And, I agree with you that some clergyman should be available in such a memorial ceremony.

Enclosed is a check to help in some way with the printing, mailing, correspondence. Are you going to have some way that we can all help in some monetary way? Please do let me know.

Yes, we do tend to forget the nurses who gave their 'all' to help in those times.

Is there any chance that those involved in the T.V. production of M.A.S.H. might be of assistance to you? Tho' none of them appear to need the publicity, on the other hand, they might have a 'soft spot' in their hearts for us??

Again, Mr. Norris, my thanks to you and all those who are helping this cause. Please know that you could not have pleased me more than sending the flowers from the wreath and the name tag of 'Selby, Charles'.

Sincerely,

Genevieve S. Anderson  
(Mrs. O. A. Anderson)

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#### HOSPITAL OPENED

*A hospital built through the combined efforts of UN forces and the Korean people has been dedicated at Kumchon by the Division.*

*Begun by the 1st Marines, the project was completed by this Division under the supervision of Capt. Andrew P. Bar. Material was furnished by UNCACK and the Korean people.*

*Division personnel officiating at the opening ceremonies included Col. John W. Darrah, chief of staff; Major Charles Gibbs, civil affairs officer.*

The following letter appeared in a monthly publication of Harpers Ferry—Bolivar in W. Virginia

Dear Tim:

Col. Ryan, of the American Battle Monuments Commission, said: "The Korean War veteran is the only veteran of the many wars that this country has fought who has not been honored by a national monument."

Korean War veterans were the silent generation. Running off to Canada to beat the draft was unheard of; no one burned the American flag, tore up their draft cards, or demonstrated against the war. There was no television to bring the war into living rooms each night. There were no parades for returning veterans; neither did they complain about it.

They fought the war, quietly came back. No one returning from Korea had "post traumatic stress disorder," or if they did they did not know it — the term had not yet been invented. And if any of them murdered someone they could not blame it on a flashback to the war in Korea.

July 25 - 28 of this year the veterans plan to meet in Arlington, VA, to honor their 54,236 comrades who never came back home. It will be the first such gathering and it is hoped that some action will be taken to erect a national monument to "The Greybeards" of the first forgotten war. (Note: Casualties in Viet Nam: 57,702.)

As a veteran of WW II and the Korean War, I will be there. It is possible, Tim, that you have met some of those men whom we will be honoring.

All our love,  
Dad and Mother

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Mpls. Minn Oct. 8, 1985

Dear Sir:

Sorry I haven't written sooner. I have been ill with a virus but thankful I'm on the mend. I was so appreciative of the lovely flowers you sent to me and to my friend Mildred Jensen. I tell you it was a moment I won't forget, it really gave me a warm glow and a few tears, tears of gratitude to know we have people like you thinking of others. Donna and Herb really feel they have a friend in you.

Thank you so much for the letters and continued success with Korean War Veterans, Inc.

Elda Johnson, G.S.M.

P.S. I purchased a book shortly after the Korean War called "The New Breed" about U.S. Marines in the Korean War. The author is Andrew Geer. It gives a true picture of that war, I feel.

My son's name was Douglas Dustin.

Minneapolis, Minn.  
July 26, 1986

Dear Sir:

At this time I want to thank you for the nice letters you wrote to my daughter Donna and to Herb. Have received a couple of cards and also phone calls since they arrived in Washington. It would have been a great honor for me to have come with them and I want to thank you so very much for the invitation and generous offer. I was sorry to have to turn it down but as I just turned 80 in April and with arthritis in my knees I guess I would have to be satisfied with my daughter & husband making the trip.

My son Douglas was 18½ years old when he died in the hospital in Japan. He was with the 7th Marines all the way up to the place where they ran into the Chinese. He was wounded by a sniper and was brought to the port by truck and flown to Japan where he died from the wound and frostbite.

I am proud to be a Gold Star Mother because he was sure he was doing the right thing fighting communism. His body was shipped here a month after he died and he is at Fort Snelling Cemetery, Minneapolis. I belong to Navy-Marine Association, Legion Aux. and I was privileged to represent our Gold Star Mothers of S. Mpls. at the placing of a wreath at a memorial by the lake for all veterans, along with a G.S.M. of the Vietnam War, on Memorial Day this year.

At our meetings for some time our G.S.M. have discussed this matter of a Memorial in Washington DC. There are only 3 ladies in the group who lost boys in Korea, the rest are Vietnam and World War 2.

One lady has been very vocal about the matter of a Memorial and has corresponded with someone and also sent money. I would like to send you her address and she is really interested in what you fellows are trying to accomplish.

It is: Mrs. Niles Jensen

God Bless you all.

/s/ Mrs. Elda Johnson  
Mpls., Minn.

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*Than drinking and driving  
There's nothing worse.  
It's putting the quart  
Before the hearse.*

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*Many a building used to stand  
Where a little flame got out of hand!*

### Korean War Awareness Project

Tony Zdanavage, P.O. Box 236, Berwick, PA 18603 (717) 759-3677 for the past year has been involved in a one man campaign to bring to the eyes of the public *Americas' Forgotten War, KOREA*. He has had bumper stickers printed up and has sent letters out concerning the Korean War and has done this at his own expense. When Tony first got in touch with me prior to last year reunion and told me of his plan, I told him I had been thinking of the same way to open the eyes of those that forgot about the Korean War. He told me that he had ordered the stickers and I told him that we would not proceed with duplicating the idea and allow him to at least recover his initial investment (\$2,000.00).

Well, Tony is still at it and has not recovered his investment after 10,000 stickers and over 900 mailings. Tony stated that he would send them free but could use a *donation* to keep this going. Well, if anyone checked they would find out the stickers cost him 46.7 cents each, 22 cents postage plus the price of a special envelope. He did not include his time going to the post office or the time that his family had stayed with him to get things put together to send out.

Tony said that he would send an application for membership to those sending in for stickers and I know that he has as it took me a while to figure the initials TZ in the upper left corner of applications for membership I have received. Tony we want to thank you for what you are doing and for the help that you have given the Association in boosting the membership.

Should any of the membership wish a Bumper Sticker, be kind enough to send Tony a *donation* to help him keep his program *Korean War Awareness Project* going!

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### YOU HERE TOO!

Four soldiers arriving at Company B, 14th Infantry Regiment, at the end of the pipeline were surprised to find that the company's first sergeant was the recruiting sergeant that had inducted them into the Army.

MSgt. Arland Wilson worked as a recruiting sergeant in Knoxville, Tennessee, before last October when he was shipped to Korea.

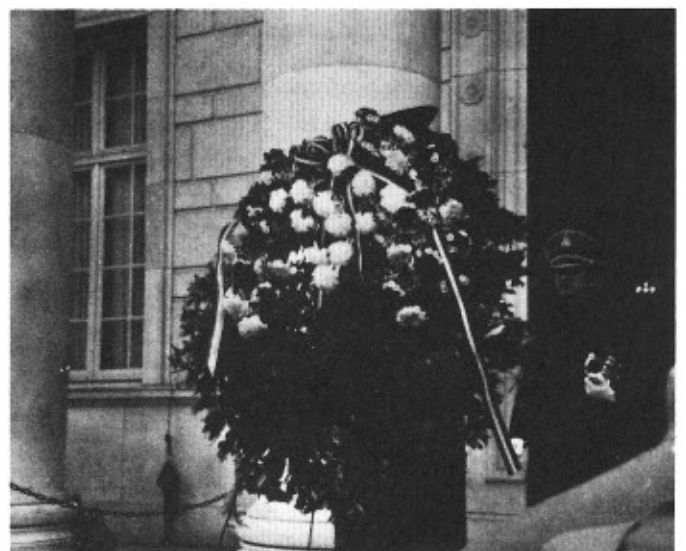
Wilson said there were no hard feelings on the replacement's part but one soldier exclaimed on seeing him, "So, I'm as safe as in my mother's arms, eh?"



Service in the Amphitheater paying honor to those who made the supreme sacrifice. Ralph W. Melcher, Col. (ret.) Guest Speaker.



Left to Right: Col. (ret.) Carl Sitter C.M.H. U.S.M.C. Gen. Doug Kyn Yoon, Korean Military Attache. Col. (ret.) Lloyd Scooter Burke, C.M.H. U.S. Army.



Wreath and bugler preparing for the ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



## The Quiet Defenders

Heartbreak Ridge, Sandbag Castle  
The Valley of Mun Dung Ne  
Pork Chop and Jane Russell Hills . . .  
They Fought There For You and Me.  
A Bullet is a Bullet,  
In a War Its All the Same  
Only the Mem'ries of Those Who Served  
Could Give This Hell a Name.

### Refrain:

Call Them the Quiet Defenders  
Just Doin' What Was Right.  
They Never Complained . . . Placed Any Blame  
They Had a War to Fight.  
Call Them the Quiet Defenders . . .  
They Served America Well.  
Does Anyone Remember Korea  
And the 38th Parallel?!!

One Score and Twelve has Passed  
Since the Endin' of That War  
Where Many Thousands Fell  
And Still Unaccounted For.  
They Answered America's Call.  
No Accolades For These Young Men  
And No Memorial Wall!!!

Betty Berney, Copyright 1985

**Extra Association Decals are available for \$1.00 plus a self-addressed stamped legal size envelope.**

We are all out of coffee mugs at present but have placed an order for a new supply with a new Association Logo on the front replacing the date of last year's ceremony. Cost \$8.00 each.

### First Nation-Wide Korean War Veterans Banquet

During this year's first nation-wide Korean War Veterans Reunion organized by our newly formed organization and held in Arlington National Cemetery in July, many well-wishers and interested people came by at the hospitality room of the hotel where we stayed. Some came to donate money to help pay for the operating expenses. These helping persons had fathers, uncles or cousins who served in the Korean War. Among the well-wishers was an Asian face, as we all remember. Though he is older and a man now, seeing him brought back a lot of memories to all of us of the Korean boys we had seen during the Korean War. By his age, he could have been one of those boys we had seen in "*The Land of the Morning Calm*." The young Asian face



I'm referring to is Link S. White, whom we all met. He was separated from his Korean parents when he was a boy during the war there, and eventually was adopted and brought to the U.S. by Master Sergeant Albert Truman ("A.T.") White, Jr.

It was a pleasure meeting Link, and I hope to see him again. Link served his adopted country as an Army Infantry Officer during Tet offensive in Vietnam, and said he was proud to do so.

Link has been writing his autobiography, most of it about his experiences as a mascot and a bartender in the U.S. military camps during the Korean war, much of them of his fond recollections of the GI Joe during that war, about his extraordinary close relationship that existed between him and his adopted American father, and about his experiences as an adopted kid in his new country, the United States of America. He said his book, tentatively titled, *The American of Chesi* (pronounced "cheesigh" to mean a shorty in Japanese, which was Link's nickname during the Korean War), co-authored with an established writer Roy Alexander, is expected to be published sometime in 1986. Link has said he will keep us informed on the progress of his book. We all look forward to reading his book, especially since the book, according to Link, is dedicated also to the Korean War Veterans.



The Banquet.

### Banquet (cont'd)



Efforts are being made now by the others to have Bill Norris admitted as he is the oldest one and closest to the needs. Bill Coe and Art said that he could let them know how it is should they want to join him. While at the facilities Bill Norris and Art met Elmer Whitten who served with the 25th Inf. Div in Korea assigned to the 725th Ord. Bn. (1950 to 1953 2 Tours).

The facility is open for veterans, wives of veterans and dependents of veterans, mothers, fathers and children. They have a complete nursing facility and a competent staff who show that they care by their concern and devotion. The group and some that could not make the trip are looking forward to again going out there in the summer time to put on an outdoor picnic weather permitting.



After dinner coffee.



Coe, Norris, Whitten, Patterson



The head table at the banquet.

### A Visit to the New York State Veterans' Home and A Christmas Party:

Bill and Clara Norris, Art and Betty Patterson and Bill and Gloria Coe made this trip and were glad they did. Through donations from local businesses, bakeries, florists, food chains and others they were able to have enough articles donated to make it a pleasant time. They visited with members following a bingo game and toured the facilities where residents are under the nursing facilities care.



Glorie Coe, Clara Norris, Betty Patterson

## Good & Welfare

The following men that have seen service during the Korean War are looking for help to verify eligibility for service and disability claims. The records of these men have been lost in a fire at the St. Louis Records Center. Anyone who may help these men please contact them by writing to:

GRADY PARRIS, Rt. 10, Box 860, Tallahassee, FL. 32304 "B" Co. 14th Inf. Regt., 25th Inf. Div. *Needs help to verify that he was a P.O.W. and in establishing P.O.W. status.*

WILLIAM J. WALSH, 77 Tibbetts Town Way, Charleston, MA. 02129 "F" Co. 14th Inf. Regt., 25th Inf. Div. *Is trying to establish a claim with the Veterans Administration for disabilities from the Korean War.*

HARLIN D. DAVIDSON, 14A Middle St., Oakland, ME. 04963, phone (207) 465-2257. *All his Army records were destroyed in a St. Louis fire in 1970, and in 1983 when he attempted to file for disability dating back to the Korean War, the VA told him that since his medical records had burned, there was nothing to support his claim. In addition, Harlin has epilepsy and recently had a large malignant tumor removed from his brain. Medication has affected his memory and he can't remember much about Korea or even what unit he served with in the 25th Div. He was a medic with one of the Inf. Regts., and while carrying a wounded comrade down a Korean mountainside, he slipped and suffered a double inguinal hernia. As a result, he had surgery at an Army Surgical Hospital in Pusan, Korea. He remembers going over the "General Buckner" and starting his Korean tour with the 11th Evac Hospital in Wonju, but was transferred to the 25th Div. from there. Other names he remembers, or places, are Mun-sni, Devils Punchbowl, Heartbreak Ridge, and Jane Russell Hill probably from 1952. He thinks perhaps the regiment he was with when injured, is the 35th Inf. CACTI.*

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*When the sergeant points to a cigarette butt on the ground and says accusingly, "Is that yours?" wouldn't you love to pop back, "No. You can have it — you saw it first."*

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*Parents shouldn't worry if their daughters grow too tall. There'll always be potential husbands who'll share the view that big girls can do more work.*

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*One of the best ways to get rid of the noise in the rear of your car is to have her sit up front with you.*

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## My Thoughts on the Korean War 1950-51

Two significant facts about the Korean War are still misunderstood by the American public 34 years after it began.

1. It was an undeclared war that the United States tried to win with personnel, equipment and ammunition on hand. Luckily there was a large surplus of ammunition from WWII, and the enemy hit close to our largest group of overseas troops, on occupation duty in Japan. Though understrength, these regulars would bear the brunt of the communist offensive and prove to be a worthy opponent. Had the communists struck elsewhere we could not have transported this large contingent to another part of the world.

Later, the U.S. would attempt a small mobilization and manufacturing process, but the decisive battles would be fought with men and material on hand June 25, 1950. Help in sufficient numbers would not arrive before the spring of 1951. The 8th Army and their allies had the Chinese and North Koreans on the run by June 1951 when Malik made his peace proposal to the UN. By this time the major battles had been fought and the final demarcation line approved two years later did not vary in any degree to that held by UN forces in 1951.

2. The U.S. and allied combat contingents from Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Korea, The Phillipines, Turkey, Thailand, Holland, South Africa, Greece and France, and medical units from Sweden and India, should have been properly designated "*The First United Nations Army*". All these countries had responded to the UN appeal for troops to combat the communist aggressors. This was the first big battle between communists and anti-communist forces, and the anti-communist won handily. A lesson that should not be forgotten. When the anti-communist unite the communists cannot possibly win a war.

When the 1st Battalion 35th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division troops broke out of the old Pusan Perimeter in September 1950 and headed northwest with hard-driving task forces. My Company D machine gun platoon was dispersed throughout the column. With heavy machine guns mounted on Jeeps, we flew the UN and the U.S. flags up front. Since we perceived that the American public did not actively support our U.S. forces we just assumed we were fighting in the "*First UN Army*."

It must also be remembered in light of the Vietnam War that with the exception of General MacArthur's triumphal return in 1951, no other Korean vets received wide acclaim on their return from that war. His parade was overdue from WWII (The Popular War) as this was his first return to the mainland since that conflagration. Also the political nature of his recall



meant more to the controversy loving public than the fact that he had been the UN Commander in this "unpopular/undeclared war."

When Gen. MacArthur returned to the U.S. my wife, Emma, dispatched a letter stating "MacArthur has returned — why can't you." I replied that I could not just "fade away" but had to wait for rotation.

When that rotation date arrived in November 1951, I and several hundred other GI's returned with the Princess Pat Battalion from Canada. The USAT Joseph P. Martinez travelled first to Vancouver, BC and the "Pats" formed and marched down the gangplank through a wildly cheering crowd in that city. (The closest we ever came to a parade). The ship then weighed anchor and deposited the rest of us in Seattle, Washington the following morning. A small crowd awaited but most were greeting loved ones on the boat. We were bussed to nearby Fort Lawton, processed and released for our next duty station. My wife, Emma, and daughters Joanne and Diana met me at the San Francisco airport that night. My 22 month journey to the Pacific (Okinawa, Japan and Korea) had ended. 18 months later I would return to the Pacific, but this time accompanied by my family which now included young Steven, on a 3 year tour of beautiful Hawaii. The contrast was unbelievable.

*Major Melvin C. Watthall, Ret.*

### **Not Out Behind the Barn**

Being from a small town, Halfmoon, (and it is not on that little building out behind the main house) New York we do not have a Post Office. The town adjacent to us opened a Branch Post Office on a trial basis and the Korean War Veterans are keeping it there with all their mail. I am sure that we put more mail through there than anyone else. When I request more stamps the clerk always says I just got some last week. I remind her that I stop everyday to send out mail and should the day come that it becomes permanent I know it is because of you that is, the membership. Thank you.

### **Annual Dues Reminder**

*As I have to thank the first 537 members for their faith and support I must also remind them that their dues are due for 1986. As with all organizations there are fiscal years that must be registered with the Federal Government. Our fiscal year is from January 1st to December 31st. In the By-laws it states that all dues must be paid by July 1st to remain a member of that year.*



United Nations Cemetery, Pusan Korea, March 1985. Left to right: Bill Norris, President K.W.V.A. Custodian of the U.N. Cemetery Assistant to the Custodian.

### **Honoring the Comrades at Pusan**

Raising of the American flag and Massachusetts State flags to honor men of the United States and the State of Massachusetts who paid the Supreme Sacrifice in the Korean War.

This American flag flown over the United States Capital and presented to Bill Norris for this purpose.

Above with a couple of the flags of the United States for ceremonies during his Korean visit and a New York State Flag by Congressman Gerald B. Solomon, also a veteran of the Korean War.

Before leaving the U.N. Cemetery Bill exchanged American Flags with the custodian. Presenting the custodian with an American Flag that had flown over the nation's Capitol. The custodian presented Bill with one that had flown over the Americans still at the cemetery. The flag was taken down from the American flag pole prior to his arrival.

Having participated in this revisit program last March 1985 I strongly urge members of this Association that meet the eligibility requirements to consider a similar trip in the future. Because the Korean War Veterans host this program it is limited to the allocations to all the countries that participated in

the Korean War. It is a well planned program and you will tour on a bus with an English speaking guide. Not only do the Korean War Veterans show you a good time but the Korean people have never forgotten those that came to help when asked. It is not uncommon for the people to come up to thank you personally and should some of them have a camera in their group, they ask you to pose with them to have a picture taken. You will see the older Korean people talking to their grandchildren and they are telling them why you are there. It was not uncommon for them to come up to shake your hand and to gesture that they were doing this for their grandparents.

*Bill Norris*

#### **Reunion and Memorial Service**

Art Patterson, 2nd VP, has already started with making plans for this and has reserved 150 rooms to the Rooslyn West Park Hotel in Arlington Va. Art had to request the rooms now to insure availability for these dates. He is hoping to hear from those who are interested in attending to see if he will need more space. The cost of the rooms are in the \$55.00 per day range. It may seem like a long way until July but planning has to start early to plan the cost per person attending registration fees. There will be more information in the next newsletter or special flyer.

#### **Revisit Korea Under the "Korean Revisit Program"**

The Korean War Veterans of Korea, Seoul, Korea sponsor this program to all the nations that had sent men and women to serve there during the Korean War. Privileges of the visiting veterans are as follows:

*Free Hotel accommodations and meals for 5 nights & 6 days*

*Tour of Seoul and its vicinity.*

*Korean War Veterans reception and dinner.*

*Korean War Medal with a certificate,*

*"Ambassador for Peace."*

Eligibility for this program:

Korean War Veteran who served in Korea between 25 June 1950 and 27 July 1953, their spouses and immediate descendants.

For further information with regards to this program you may write to:

**Eastern Region, KVA Department in the USA**

**303 5th Avenue Suite No. 412**

**New York, NY 10016**

**Telephone: (212) 689-3278**

**Western Region, KVA Department in the USA**

**2978 Wilshire Blvd. No. 201**

**Los Angeles, CA 90010**

**Telephone: (213) 739-0182**

#### **Korean War Memorial Update Printed in 25th Infantry Division Association Newsletter**

Ralph W. Melcher President of this organization has been sharing information concerning the Korean War Veterans with this Association to keep us informed of the latest happenings. He has been in contact with many people and realizing that we just started has been very helpful and supportive of this Association. His newsletter had gone to press and the latest letter from Mr. Borchert states that he now resides in CA, dated 13 November 1985. In this letter he states:

"Money donated to date has not been placed in escrow to build the memorial. Rather all funds collected have been used to finance 2.5 million mailings in an effort to stimulate interest in the fact that there is no Korean War Memorial."

Because of the interest of such concerned people as Ralph W. Melcher and others that have sent articles in regarding the articles that have appeared in their local papers, I have forwarded these to our Representatives in the House and Senate.

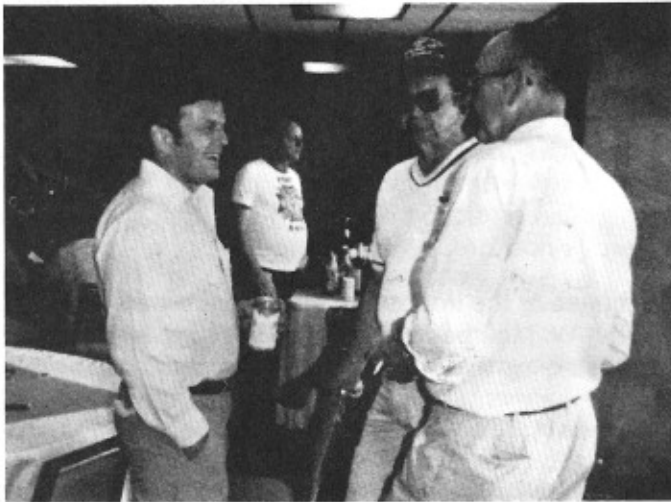
I think that this will show those who receive them that as Korean War Veterans we are concerned.

On or about 20 October 1985, I finally got an answer to my several letters of inquiry, from Mr. Borchardt, KWM, Inc. He explained that they have alternately used several addresses and anything sent to 1712 Eye. St. (just a mailing address operation for fund collectors only) in Washington, DC did not reach him personally, and thus inquiries sent there were not answered. He went on to convince me that his fund raising activities were legitimate, that General Paul F. Freeman, Jr., USA (Ret.) in Carmel, CA was his senior military advisor, that no salaries are being paid and only about 1200 dollars per month goes out in fund raising expenses. He also sent a copy of Senator Denton's proposed legislation, introduced 31 January 1985, which calls for the memorial to be accomplished by privately collected funds only (no appropriated funds), and endorses Borchardt's KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL, INC. for raising all the funds needed.

So it's up to Congress to sort this out — whether to go along with Senator Bill Armstrong (CO), Congressman James Flori (NJ), Congressman Stan Parris (VA), and at last count, about 15 other Congressmen Co-Sponsors for Federal funding (up to about \$5M), or to opt for Senator Denton's proposal to let Borchardt do it all with private money. I now urge **you all** to do one thing immediately — write your own Congressman and Senator and let them know your feelings on the matter. Nothing is going to get done unless Congress feels some heat on the subject from their employers, you and I. So let's put it on them NOW!!

# HOSPITALITY ROOM

All New Yorker, Bobby Lillac who works in Washington stops by to see Art Patterson who came from the same town is introduced to Bill Norris, back to camera.



Scooter Burke & Art Patterson in the Hospitality Room.



Hospitality Room.



Getting ready to go to the banquet.



These ladies seem to have lost their husbands. They must have found them later as there were none turned into Lost and Found.



### Korean War Memorial

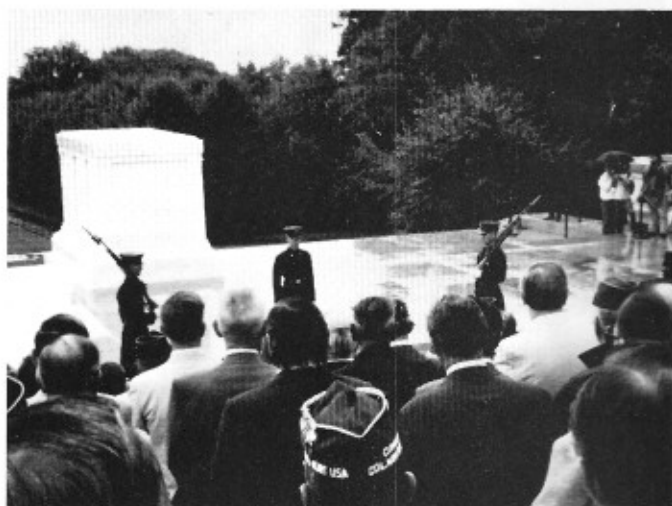
Under suspension of the rules, the House passed H.R. 2205, as amended, to erect a memorial on federal land in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor U.S. Armed Forces members who served in the Korean War.

In the three short years between 1950 and 1953, some 53,000 Americans were killed in Korea. As a point of comparison, the Vietnam War lasted 11 years and claimed 58,000 American lives. More than 5.7 million American servicemen and servicewomen served under the flag of the then-infant United Nations. It is impossible to overstate the sacrifices made by these Americans. The Korean War illustrated this country's willingness and ability to answer her commitments. This would have been impossible without the brave men and women who served in the Korean War. An appropriate memorial to those who served in the Korean War is long overdue, much deserved tribute.

The bill was referred to the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee on Nov. 7 where it is awaiting further action.

### Korean War Memorial — Update

In the past many months, both my predecessor, **Bill Schumacher**, and myself have urged upon occasion, for voluntary contributions to be sent to KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL, INC., headed by Edward R. Borchardt, Jr. earlier this year. However, we began to become a bit skeptical about the legitimacy of Mr. Borchardt and his operation, and where the money he has been collecting for about three years was actually going. Mr. Borchardt repeatedly failed to answer inquiries about his operation from myself, **James Waters (CA)**, and **Bill Norris (NY)**, **President of the Korean War Veterans Assn.** Then in May of this year legislation was introduced into both the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives to authorize the construction of a Korean War Memorial by the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) with appropriated funds (augmented by any voluntary contributions made to ABMC.) At that point in time, I began to discourage any further contributions to Borchardt's bunch, suspecting that a good share of money collected was being plowed back into fund-raising expenses, and instead suggested that any donations in the future be made directly to **Director of Operations and Finance, American Battle Monuments Commission, Washington, D.C. 20314.** 100% of the donations received by ABMC will go to the construction of the memorial (no fund raising expenses will be incurred).



Changing of the Guards.



Carl Sitter, Col. (ret.) U.S.M.C. Gen Doug Kyn Yoon, Korean Military Attache. Scooter Burke, Col. (ret.) U.S. Army.

Korean War  
Veterans Association, Inc.  
P.O. Box 4610  
Halfmoon, New York 12065



**2ND ANNUAL REUNION AND MEMORIAL SERVICE  
KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION  
33RD ANNIVERSARY OF THE CEASE FIRE  
ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA  
25-26-27-28 JULY 1986**



**I served during Korea son!  
But I never saw you on M.A.S.H.?**



**"The Monumental Tower of U.N. Forces' First Battle," Suwan Korea  
"Task Force Smith" 5 July 1950 were the first U.N. Forces to engage  
the North Korean Army here and fight a delaying action until the rest of  
their division could arrive. Task Force Smith consisted of 530 men that  
were flown into Korea and were from the 21st INF REGT 24th INF DIV.**

**This is one of the many monuments erected by the Korean government  
throughout Korea paying honor to men and women of the U.N. Forces  
that served during the Korean War.**

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"AMERICAS' FORGOTTEN WAR"

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Next Reunion 26, 27, 28 July 1986 at Arlington, Va.

Commerating the 33rd Anniversary of the Cease Fire at 10:00AM

John P. Herbert, Treasurer      Korean War Veterans Association  
1604 Cresent Road                      or      P.O. Box 4610  
Clifton Park, New York 12065      Halfmoon, New York 12065

----- Detach and Mail in -----

Annual Dues: \$10:00

Make all checks payable to the "KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION".

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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# "Korean War Veterans Association"

## *"Americas' Forgotten War"*

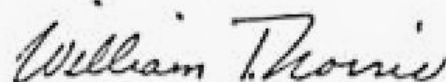
This year was the first reunion and memorial service held to honor our fallen comrades who paid the supreme price that all wars cost. We wish to thank all who attended, the many who could not and those who took time to write or call showing that they care.

The *"Korean War Veterans Association"* is to be written up by the historian of Arlington National Cemetery in regards to the ceremony in the Amphitheater in relation to the meaning affiliated with it. Although there were few of us there this year, next year we intend to fill the Amphitheater to show that we who served during the Korean War care about our fellow Comrades. Those whom we were honoring may have paid the supreme price so that many of us were allowed to be there.

The support of those attending to vote and become the *"Korean War Veterans Association"*, shows that the time has arrived to seek the long over due recognition the *"Korean War Veterans"* deserved but have never received.

With no monument or memorial we will again be in Arlington to honor our comrades next year on 27 July 1986 at 10:00 am. All that were in attendance have seen the impact with the communication media that has finally expressed interest in the Korean War Veterans. All that participated expressed interest in getting at least ten new members to insure growth and support during this upcoming year. With such enthusiasm we will fill the Amphitheater on 27 July 1986 the 33rd Anniversary of the Cease Fire.

Respectfully,



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To insure members of these special rates please use your KWVA membership card number on your returned Attendance Questionnaire form. Although we have only 150 rooms at this time reserved, should a strong reply indicate the need of additional rooms we will request them. Early registration will guarantee you a room at this hotel.

Should you be forced to cancel your registration prior to JULY 1ST all registration fees will be returned. We are presently arranging for Bus Transportation from the Hotel to Arlington National Cemetery. Following the Memorial Service in the Amphitheater a Bus Tour of the Area is planned. Your early registration will help in the planning for the number of bus's that will be needed and the cost.

Again this year we are asking the membership to petition the Governor of their respective State to issue a Proclamation proclaiming the week of 21 to 27 July 1986 as "KOREAN WAR VETERANS WEEK". This is to Honor the Men and Women of their State that served during the Korean War. Last year there were Six States in the United States to do so. Already the State of Illinois has honored a petition sent to them by Richard M. Soderlund of La Grange, Illinois. The State of Georgia is presently considering the petition submitted by Ken Poss of Atlanta, Georgia.

No Monument - No Memorial - Only Memories  
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2ND ANNUAL REUNION AND MEMORIAL SERVICE  
KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION  
33RD ANNIVERSARY OF THE CEASE FIRE  
ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA  
25-26-27-28 July 1986

The Korean War Veterans Association Annual Reunion and Memorial Service will be held on the above dates at the Rosslyn Westpark Hotel in Arlington Virginia.

Again during this Reunion a Memorial Service will take place at Arlington National Cemetery. A Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at 10:00 AM 27 Jul 1986 commemorating the 33rd Anniversary of the Cease Fire. This will be followed with a Memorial Service in the Cemetery Amphitheater to pay honor to our fallen comrades of this Forgotten War.

The reunion registration fee is \$110.00 per person. This will cover Buffet Breakfast and Buffet Dinner each day. There will be a Cocktail Hour preceeding the Banquet Saturday night with a Dance following.

25 July Friday Sign in and registration  
Dinner at 6 PM

26 July Saturday Breakfast at 8 AM  
Business meeting, Men and Ladies at 10 AM  
Banquet Cocktail Hour at 5 PM Dinner at 6 PM Dance to follow

27 July Sunday Breakfast at 7:30 AM Sharp  
Wreath Laying Ceremony at 10:00 AM Arlington Cemetery  
followed by Memorial Service in Amphitheater  
Dinner at 6 PM

28 July Monday Breakfast at 8 AM  
Open Discussion  
Memorial Service and closing

Please fill out the Attendance Registration form below and mail to me with your registration fee. Upon receipt of your attendance form, I will mail you a Hotel Reservation Card along with a brochure showing hotel routes.

We have 150 rooms reserved for this reunion with a special rate of \$50.00 for single and \$55.00 double rooms per day. In order to be assured these rates you must send the Hotel Reservation card that I send you to the hotel as soon as possible stating your arrival and departure dates.

We will have a Hospitality Room serving drinks on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Please bring a bottle of spirits for this event. Any donation would be helpfull to help offset additional expenses of the Association.

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ATTENDANCE QUESTIONNAIRE. Mail To: Mr. Arthur T. Patterson  
KWVA. Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Box 327  
Stillwater, NY. 12170

Name. \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse. \_\_\_\_\_

Address. \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend: ( ☐ Yes ) ( ☐ No ) Wife: ( ☐ Yes ) ( ☐ No )

Reunion Fee: \$110.00 per person. Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Operating Fund Contribution: Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Korean War Veterans Association, (Reunion)