



1st CAVALRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

Alumni of The First Team



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WHAT IS THE ASSOCIATION? It is a non-political, non-sectarian, non-profit soldiers and veterans fraternity.

WHEN DID IT BEGIN? On 17 July 1944, a group of FIRST TEAM soldiers in the Admiralty Islands agreed to form an Association of 1st Cavalry Division soldiers and veterans to preserve old friendships and conduct periodic reunions.

WHERE IS IT? It is country-wide. National headquarters is located in Copperas Cove, Texas. There are several chapters throughout the country, as well as a chapter in the active Division at Fort Hood.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP? Anyone who has been assigned or attached to the 1st Cavalry Division anytime, anywhere, is eligible for Life membership. There are more than 28,500 men and women on our active membership rolls. Friends of the Cav who have not served with the Division may become Associate members for \$15 annual membership or \$150 for a life membership.

WHY SHOULD YOU BELONG? To preserve and strengthen friendships through annual reunions, chapter activities, and our bi-monthly newspaper, the SABER; to meet new people and make new friendships through Association activities; to obtain tangible evidence of membership in this great fraternity, i.e., lapel pin, membership card and certificate, decals, and a one year subscription to the SABER. The 1st Cavalry Division Association USAA Rewards™ World MasterCard® is now available to members of the Association. We share a great Division heritage -- horse cavalry, ground and airmobile infantry, armor and our current modular configuration -- Once Cav, Always Cav!

OUR SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION. The Foundation of the 1st Cavalry Division Association offers scholarships of up to \$1200 per year for up to four years to children of 1st Cavalry Division troopers who have died or become totally disabled while serving in the Division in combat. This program was begun in 1968 to assist the children of battle casualties of the Vietnam War and expanded to children of peacetime active duty Association members who died while serving in the Division. The Foundation has provided more than \$729,000 in grants to 473 applicants through this worthy program that continues today. Since 1988 more than \$212,900 in scholarship grants have also been provided to 249 active duty Division soldiers, their spouses and children. Additionally 191 descendants of the IaDrang battle participants received grants in the amount of \$428,500 since the inception of that program in 1997. Total money paid out in all programs is over \$1,370,400.

OUR MUSEUM FOUNDATION: The 1st Cavalry Division Association Museum Foundation is a charitable and educational activity established for the express intent of providing support to the 1st Cavalry Division Museum located at Fort Hood, Texas. The primary goals and objectives of the Museum Foundation are to: (1) Build a new Museum facility. (2) Support historical projects, programs and research that preserve the history of the 1st Cavalry Division and its troopers. (3) Support Museum programs that educate the public and increase its appreciation for the contributions of the division. (4) Promote, counsel and provide support to organizations, both government and private, that are committed to similar goals objectives.

IN SUMMARY: We are a group of soldiers and former soldiers from privates to 4-star generals who share a bond of service with the FIRST TEAM. We are dedicated to supporting the Division and each other.

KEEP THIS RECEIPT!

Received from: NAME _____ UNIT _____
 \$10 for Life Membership in the 1st Cavalry Division Association. (If you haven't received your packet within 4 weeks, contact National Headquarters at the above address.)

 (Date)

 (Signature of person taking application)

1st CAVALRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
(Please print legibly and include payment of \$10)

NAME _____ RANK _____ LAST 4 SSN _____ DOB _____
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

I served in the 1st Cavalry Division in: (Circle one or more) FT. BLISS WWII JAPAN KOREAN WAR KOREA 1957-65
 FT. BENNING VIETNAM WAR FT. HOOD GULF WAR BOSNIA AFGHANISTAN IRAQ OTHER _____

UNIT 1 (When with the Div.) _____ DATES _____
 (Company, Battalion, Regiment - i.e. C Co., 2-8 CAV) (i.e. Nov 1992 - Jan 1994)

UNIT 2 (When with the Div.) _____ DATES _____
 (Company, Battalion, Regiment - i.e. B Btry., 1-82 FA) (i.e. Feb 2009 - Present)

I authorize release of information to: No one Other Members Only Other Members and USAA only

DATE _____ SIGNATURE _____

Have you served with any other military unit during a wartime period? YES NO (Circle One) (Revised 2-15-12)