

### Request a Field Kit

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Please send \_\_\_\_\_ Field Kit(s).

**Email:**  
[vohp@loc.gov](mailto:vohp@loc.gov)

**Mail:**  
Veterans History Project  
The Library of Congress  
101 Independence Ave, SE  
Washington, DC 20540-4615

**Fax:**  
202-252-2046  
No cover sheet is necessary.

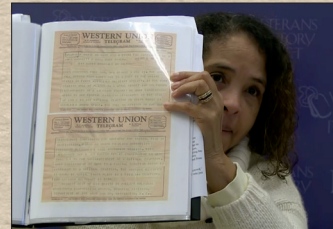
### Deceased Veterans

Next of kin may donate original photographs, letters, diaries and **unpublished** memoirs of a deceased veteran (standard collections minimums apply). Please submit the Biographical Data Form and a Veteran's Release Form on behalf of the deceased veteran.



### Gold Star Families

Under the Gold Star Families Voices Act (Public Law 114-246), VHP also accepts oral histories by immediate family members ("parent, spouse, sibling or child") of "members of the Armed Forces who died as a result of their service during a period of war." Due to the sensitive nature of Gold Star oral histories, VHP requires a minimum age of 18 for both the interviewers and the interviewees.



### Group Participants

In addition to individual volunteers, VHP accepts collections from organizations around the country interested in participating in a grassroots community project. They include high school, university and college classrooms; libraries; veterans service organizations; places of worship; retirement communities; Scout troops; local businesses; and professional associations.



**Connect with VHP to learn about hosting free workshops for your group or community**

[vohp@loc.gov](mailto:vohp@loc.gov)  
or  
888-371-5848

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World War II  
Veterans History Project  
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The Veterans History Project (VHP) **collects, preserves and makes accessible** the firsthand remembrances of U.S. military veterans from World War I through the more recent conflicts. It was created by the United States Congress in 2000 as part of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. Anyone, including students ages 15 or older, can participate. It's that easy to make history! Download a how-to **Field Kit** at [loc.gov/vets](http://loc.gov/vets) and get started right away.

## Participate

**Create a collection** at the Library of Congress with and for the veteran in your life. Contribute a **minimum** of:



30 minutes or longer unedited audio or video recording of an interview with a veteran

**AND / OR**



20 pages or more of original, unpublished memoirs, journals or diaries

**AND / OR**



10 or more original photographs, letters

## Connect with VHP

**tel:** 202-707-4916

**email:** [vohp@loc.gov](mailto:vohp@loc.gov)

**msg:** 1-888-371-5848

**web:** [www.loc.gov/vets/](http://www.loc.gov/vets/)

**fax:** 202-252-2046

**blog:** <http://blogs.loc.gov/folklife/category/veterans-history-project/>

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/vetshistoryproject](http://www.facebook.com/vetshistoryproject)

**Disclaimer:** Veterans History Project collections are not intended as a substitute for an official record of the federal government nor of military service. These histories are the personal recollections and perspectives of participating individuals, as they were voluntarily submitted to the Project. The Library of Congress does not verify the accuracy of the accounts.

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## Ship Your Collection

Use a **commercial carrier** (e.g., FedEx, UPS, etc.) to ship your unedited, original materials and required forms to VHP. **Do not use the U.S. Postal Service.** Remember to keep a copy for yourself and the veteran/family. Expedited service is unnecessary; ground service is fine.

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## Hand Deliver Your Collection

Please call 202-707-4916 to schedule an appointment at the Information Center between 9:30am and 3:30pm ET weekdays.

VHP Information Center  
The Library of Congress  
Jefferson Building  
Ground Floor

## View VHP Collections

The VHP website, [loc.gov/vets](http://loc.gov/vets), contains a Biographical Information and Service History record for each veteran who contributes. This page includes the veteran's name, military service details and donor/interviewer affiliation. Some collections include digitized content. Digitized collections are identified by a "VIEW DIGITAL COLLECTION" button. Click on *Search the Veterans Collections* to access the database.

To view collections in-person, you must make an appointment with research staff at least **10 working days** in advance of your visit. We are unable to serve collections on-demand. Email [vohp@loc.gov](mailto:vohp@loc.gov) or call 202-707-4916 to schedule.

Visit us online at [loc.gov/vets](http://loc.gov/vets).

