



IWO JIMA ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, INC.



Marines from the 23rd Regiment establish their command post at the foot of Mt Suribachi. February 1945—NARA

LEST WE FORGET



The battle of Iwo Jima is recognized around the world as one of the most brutal struggles in the most costly war in history. For thirty-six days, over 70,000 US Marines and Sailors, aided by tens of thousands of Airmen and Sailors at sea, fought a tooth and nail battle against the 22,000 Japanese defenders led by LtGen Tadamichi Kuribayashi. This titanic struggle, waged on eight square miles of volcanic soil and hellish terrain, has captured the imagination of generations since the battle.

As we move forward into the future, the spirit of those who fought so gallantly for the principles of our nation and to preserve democracy and free those oppressed by tyranny, cannot be forgotten. The Iwo Jima Association of America, Inc. is committed to perpetuating this spirit into the future and ensuring, long after the last Iwo Jima Veteran has gone, that future generations remember Iwo Jima.

So, if you are a veteran of the battle of Iwo Jima, a proud family member of a veteran; living or deceased or have always had a passionate interest in the battle, we invite you to join as charter members of the only association dedicated to the battle of Iwo Jima.

Gather with us at events such as our yearly reunion and historical symposium, Memorial services, as well as our yearly pilgrimage to Iwo Jima each March.

Members will have exclusive access to special information on our website and will receive our semi-annual newsletter full of interesting information, articles and updates regarding Iwo Jima.

Why an association?

The Iwo Jima Association of America, was formed twenty-five years ago as the Combat Veterans of Iwo Jima (CVIJ) to coordinate reunions on the East Coast for the veterans of Iwo Jima, and was incorporated in 2004 as a non-profit, 501(c) (19) organization under IRS regulations. Our mission is to preserve and perpetuate the service and sacrifice of those who fought on, over and around Iwo Jima during the battle. Beginning in 2006, our founder, Major General Fred Haynes, USMC (Ret) decided that to better serve the Iwo Jima community and preserve the history of the battle, the organization needed to transform into an association of those who share these same goals and become the IJAA that in 2009 was

redesignated a non-profit, 501(c) (3) organization under IRS regulations.

Membership

Membership is open to honorably discharged members of the armed forces of the United States who served on, over or around the Island of Iwo Jima in support of Operation Detachment between June, 1944 and June, 1946. Direct Descendants of those veterans, living or deceased are welcome as members. Those with an interest in the battle and in preserving its history are eligible for associate membership in the organization.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I hereby make application for membership in the Iwo Jima Association of America, Inc. If applying for full membership, I certify by my signature that I am either a Veteran of the battle or a Legacy Family Member as a direct descendant of an Iwo Jima Veteran.

Full Membership – Iwo Jima Veteran:	\$15.00
Full Membership – Legacy Family Member:	\$25.00
Associate Member:	\$25.00

Membership Mailing Information: Same as Tour Registration

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____

Nickname: _____ Gender: ___ Male ___ Female

Date of Birth: (month/day/year) _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email Address: _____

Method of Payment: Check for a total of \$ _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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