



THE DAV: WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO...FOR YOU

What Is the DAV? Who Belongs?

- The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) is a nonprofit association of over 1.2 million U.S. military veterans who suffered some degree of disability while serving in time of war or armed conflict.
- Founded in 1920 and chartered by Congress, the DAV is dedicated to a single purpose: building better lives for disabled veterans and their families.
- With headquarters offices in Cincinnati and Washington, the DAV focuses strictly on serving veterans and their families. A nonpartisan organization, it has no political action committees and neither endorses nor opposes candidates for political office. The DAV is totally funded by dues and contributions and receives no federal funding.
- The DAV continually fills openings on its professional and management staff with veterans disabled during recent armed conflicts, so we'll be around as long as you and other veterans need our free services.

Services to Veterans and Their Families

- To help you and your family get all the benefits you earned, the DAV maintains a corps of approximately 260 National Service Officers (NSOs) in 72 offices across the United States and in Puerto Rico and 41 Transition Service Officers (TSOs).
- There's never any charge for the assistance these veterans' benefits experts provide to you and your family. You don't have to be a DAV member to receive these free services, either.
- Our NSOs and TSOs are all service-connected disabled veterans themselves, so they understand where you're coming from.
- They offer counseling on veterans benefits administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), including disability compensation, health care, pension, survivors' benefits, employment rights, education and more.
- These highly trained professionals help folks like you assemble evidence needed to support claims for benefits, building their cases and preparing claim forms and briefs. They also present claims before government agencies, boards and appellate bodies.
- The DAV also provides disaster relief to disabled veterans affected by catastrophes such as tornadoes, hurricanes or floods.
- A national magazine, local chapter meetings and other functions keep members up to date on issues affecting their rights. There's also a comprehensive package of member benefits, including price discounts and exclusive bargains.
- On the local level, DAV volunteers transport sick and disabled veterans to and from VA medical facilities for treatment.
- In addition, our volunteers annually contribute 2.5 million hours to veterans at VA hospitals. Through a variety of other local programs, these dedicated volunteers reach into their communities to help disabled veterans and their families.

Representation Before Congress and the White House

- As a nonpartisan organization, it is the DAV's policy to seek only reasonable, responsible legislation to assist disabled veterans and their families and survivors. Concentrating on issues such as disability compensation, medical care, job and training programs, burial benefits, education and survivors' benefits, the DAV's legislative goals are set by the organization's members in a process that begins in local DAV chapters.
- These legislative goals guide the organization's advocacy for disabled veterans—to help them gain and keep the benefits they have earned by spilled blood, prolonged illness and lost mental well-being as a result of military service.

DAV Member Benefits

- In addition to services and programs, DAV membership entitles you to savings on products and services such as new automobiles, hotels, computers, long distance service and many more items. The DAV's Member Benefits Package is an incredible bonus that adds value to being a member in the country's greatest veterans' support organization. The benefits package enhances the lives of our members and their families, increases the ties between the DAV and the most generous, well-respected corporations in America and allows DAV members to enjoy quality goods and services while supporting DAV programs.

Support the organization that does all this for you!

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Membership Application

Life Membership

Life membership is permanent. Life membership dues are as follows and may be paid in interest-free installments following a minimum \$40 down payment:

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| Age 40 and under | \$250 | Age 61-70 | \$180 |
| Age 41-60 | \$230 | Age 71-79 | \$140 |
| Age 80 and over | Free | | |

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Spouse's First Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Male Female _____ Birth Date _____ Date Enlisted _____

Branch of Service _____ Date Discharged _____ Rank _____

Campaign/Expedition Medals Awarded _____

I have a service-connected disability rated at _____% (0 -100%)

Did you receive a Purple Heart? Yes No Disability Discharge Yes No

Ex P.O.W.? Yes No Military Retired Yes No

Chapter number and location requested (if known) _____

Sponsor's Name and Code Number if Applicable _____ Telephone _____

Email address of applicant _____

My check is enclosed for: _____ Charge my credit card in the amount of: _____

Master Card Visa American Express Discover Card

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature _____ Telephone _____

VA Claim number _____

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