



Museum Donations



Example of a WWII scrapbook photo courtesy of Robert Mackey.

We appreciate your interest in donating your military artifacts, photos, documents, and memorabilia to the National Park Service. However, National Mall and Memorial Parks does not maintain a museum collection of donated objects associated with World War II or the Korean War as we do with

the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Our museum collections focus on the design, construction, and maintenance of the memorials. We know your objects are special to you and we want to help you preserve them. We would suggest:

1. Keep these memorable objects in your family. They mean the most to you and your loved ones.
2. Look into donating your collection to your local historical society. Keeping objects in the context of their community makes them so much more meaningful. When removed, they tend to lose some of their significance.
3. If items are of national significance, consider donating them to one of the many military repositories.

Contact the following institutions for more information about donations:

Veterans History Project
Library of Congress
101 Independence Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20540-4615
<http://www.loc.gov/vets/>
Phone: (202) 707-4916

National Museum of the Marine Corps
18900 Jefferson Davis Highway
Triangle, VA 22172
www.usmcmuseum.org
Phone: (877) 635-1775

U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center
<http://www.carlisle.army.mil/ahec/index.cfm>
Phone: (717) 245-4139

Naval Historical Center
<http://www.history.navy.mil/>
Curator: (202) 433-2318

National Museum of the U.S. Air Force
1100 Spaatz Street
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433
<http://www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/>

The National Museum of the Pacific War
(Pacific Theater and China-Burma-India only)
340 East Main Street
Fredericksburg, Texas 78624
<http://www.nimitz-museum.org/>
Phone: (830) 997-8600

National World War I Museum, Liberty Memorial
100 West 26th Street
Kansas City, MO 64108
<http://www.theworldwar.org>
Archivist: (816) 784-1918

National World War II Museum
945 Magazine Street
New Orleans, LA 70130
www.nationalww2museum.org
Email: collectmgr@nationalww2museum.org
Phone: (504) 528-1944 ext. 270

Korean War National Museum
9 South Old State Capital Plaza
Springfield, IL 62701
<http://www.kwnm.org/>
Phone: (217) 523-7230

The National Park Service does not endorse any one of these repositories over the others; however all have expressed a willingness to be contacted by the public. Investigate the options to find the best fit for your objects.