MILITARY PARK PASS INFORMATION

One-Day Operation Purple Family Retreat®

The National Military Family Association, in collaboration with the National Park Trust, is proud to say that program participants will be presented with their Military Park Pass. Below is the information from the Park team about what documentation is needed to secure your park pass.

NOTE 1: You must bring original documentation/ID card — the park cannot accept photocopies. For questions about appropriate documentation, contact NMFA before arrival.

Annual Military Pass

Available to Current US Military and Dependents (NOTE: Dependents ARE eligible for this card with valid DD Form 1173—the active duty service member is NOT required to be present)

- Current members of the U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, Space Force and National Guard with valid DoD CAC card
- Dependents of current U.S. military members with valid DD Form 1173
- U.S. Military Cadets with a valid CAC card
- U.S. Active Reservists (Do not need to be deployed) with a valid CAC card

Lifetime Military Pass

Available to Gold Star Families or Veterans (NOTE: Dependents ARE NOT eligible for this card, unless they qualify as a Gold Star next of kin)

- Individuals who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, and are able to present one of the following valid non-expired forms of identification when entering or using federal lands:
 - Department of Defense Identification Card (DD Form 2, DD Form 2765)
 - Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC)
 - Veteran ID Card
 - Veterans designation on a state-issued U.S. driver's license or identification card
 - When acquiring a pass in person, the actual IDs listed above must be presented. As of September 2022, the VA only provides a digital version of the #3 Veteran ID Card. When acquiring a pass online, photocopies or digital images are accepted. Form DD-214 is not accepted.

NOTE 2: Please check to ensure your documentation/ID is NOT expired. If your only identification is expired, please reach out to NMFA to ensure your free admittance.



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