Join the SCV NOW!

Who can join the Sons of Confederate Veterans?

The simple answer is nearly anyone!

We have a number of types of membership.

We have members all around the globe!

WHAT IS THE SCV?

The citizen-soldiers who fought for the Confederacy personified the best qualities of America. The preservation of liberty and freedom was the motivating factor in the South's decision to fight the Second American Revolution. The tenacity with which Confederate soldiers fought underscored their belief in the rights guaranteed by the Constitution. These attributes are the underpinning of our democratic society and represent the foundation on which this nation was built. Today, the Sons of Confederate Veterans is preserving the history and legacy of these heroes, so future generations can understand the motives that animated the Southern Cause.

The SCV is the direct heir of the United Confederate Veterans, and the oldest hereditary organization for male descendants of Confederate soldiers. Organized at Richmond, Virginia in 1896, the SCV continues to serve as a historical, patriotic, and non-political organization dedicated to insuring that a true history of the 1861-1865 period is preserved.

Full Membership:

The SCV is open to all male descendants of any veteran who served honorably in the Confederate armed forces. Membership can be obtained through either lineal or collateral family lines and kinship to a veteran must be documented genealogically. The minimum age for full membership is 12.

Cadet Membership:

The SCV is open to all male descendants under the age of 12 years old of any veteran who served honorably in the Confederate armed forces. Membership can be obtained through either lineal or collateral family lines and kinship to a veteran must be documented genealogically.

<u>Associate / Friends Membership:</u>

Some local Camps offer Associate or Friends of the SCV which is open to anyone, male or female, young or old, who do not meet, or just do not wish to do the research, the requirements of ancestral linking. It is important to note that the Associate / Friends Member is a not a member of the SCV, but is a member of the Camp. If your local Camp does not offer an Associate Membership, you may join another Camp that does offer Associate Membership, or you may join the Friends of the SCV Program at the International Headquarters Camp.