In accordance with stipulations of the Atomic Bomb Survivors' Support Law, the country of Japan established Peace Memorial Halls for the Atomic Bomb Victims (hereafter referred to as "Memorial Halls") in the atomic-bombed cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. While functioning as commemorative sites for the precious sacrifices of the bombing victims and serving as memorials to everlasting peace, these facilities also engage in efforts to deepen understanding of the tragedies of the bombings among people of the world and to pass on knowledge of these experiences to future generations.

The Memorial Halls register the names and photographs of deceased bombing victims in order to document the many people who died in the atomic bombings. Donated names and photographs will be displayed to the public and preserved for eternity at the Halls.

1. Those who may be registered

Deceased persons who:

- (1) were directly exposed to the atomic bomb at the time and site of the bombing
- (2) entered one of the atomic bombing sites within two weeks of the bombing
- (3) were physically subjected to radiation exposure while carrying out activities such as rescue and relief efforts for survivors
- (4) were exposed to any of the conditions listed in (1), (2) or (3) while in their mothers' wombs

The date of the person's death is not a factor. Furthermore, no relevance is attached to whether or not the person possessed an Atomic Bomb Survivor's Health Book Certificate during his/her lifetime.

2. How to apply

- (1) In general, those who submit applications for registration should be family members of the deceased. Non-family members (such as friends or acquaintances) should consult with the Peace Memorial Hall before applying for registration.
- (2) One application form (in the form of an envelope) is required for each deceased bombing victim. Application forms are available at the offices of each city or prefecture in Japan, the Atomic Bombing Survivors Support Sections of the city halls in Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the Peace Memorial Halls in Hiroshima and Nagasaki.
- (3) Please insert a photograph of the deceased in the envelope and mail it or deliver it in person to one of the Peace Memorial Halls. The cost for mailing the application form must be covered by the applicant.
- (4) There is no deadline for applications. Applications may be made at either of the Peace Memorial Halls, regardless of which site the person being registered suffered the atomic bombing at or what the address of the applicant is.

3. Photographs

- (1) There are no stipulations on the size or format (colour or black and white) of the photograph, nor the date of photography.
- (2) Registered photos will be kept at a Peace Memorial Hall permanently. For those who wish to have photographs returned, the Hall will make a duplicate and return the original.
- (3) If you have no photo of the victim, sketched or painted portraits will be accepted. If you have neither a photo nor a portrait of the victim, his/her name alone may be registered.

4. Availability to the public

Registered names and photographs of deceased atomic bombing victims will be made available to the public at the Hiroshima and Nagasaki Memorial Halls. They may be accessed on monitors equipped with search devices and viewed as part of a large-screen display of rotating images designed to provide a sensory representation of the many people who died in the atomic bombings.

Please note that registered materials may be withheld from public display if requested by the applicant.

Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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