Name: Erik Larsen, MD, FACS

# **Branch of Service:**

US Army

#### **Years of Military Service:**

1950-1952

#### Rank upon discharge:

Captain

### **Specialties:**

Battalion surgeon 23 Reg, 210 Korea Surgeon-First MASH (8209) Korea

# Foreign countries where veteran was stationed:

Korea

### **Medals/Honors Received:**

Combat Medical Badge, Purple Heart, Knighted (Ritter Danebrod) King Frederick IX Denmark, Bronze Star x3

# **Highlights of Military Service:**

Drafted as a medical doctor in 1950 and sent to Korea where I served as a front line surgeon. Was wounded and MIA during the infamous "May Massacre." Was rescued and reassigned as MASH surgeon where I got extensive experience in war surgery. Returned to Korea in 2000 with 2ID reunion group to commemorate 50th anniversary of Korean War.

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