

Military Bases Are Full of Cancer-Causing Compounds

Veterans and their families who lived at Camp Lejeune, a U.S. marine base in North Carolina and many bases across the country are facing a high rate of cancer due to the chemicals in the water, soil, and facilities.

Little did the active duty members and their families know that simply being on a military base and drinking the water there could cause cancer.

Families have suffered for decades

Camp Lejeune, in particular, has a long and proud military history. It is one of the marine base where men and women become Marines.

Since the beginning of World War II, the base has been the home of “Expeditionary Forces in Readiness.” It also has become the home for the II Marine Expeditionary Force, 2nd Marine Division, 2nd Marine Logistics Group, and other combat units and support commands.

But Lejeune’s legacy now is also steeped in tragedy.

From August 1953 through the end of December 1987, people living at Camp Lejeune were potentially exposed to drinking water contaminated with industrial solvents, benzene, and other harmful chemicals. Thousands of troops and members of their family have suffered from the exposure. Many have died.

Many veterans and their families sometimes fight an uphill battle to get the care they need through the VA, or to be reimburse by the government for the cost of their medical care.

Much of the information and data concerning base toxicity was covered-up for years, with veterans and their families being denied medical benefits and care.

The government has known about this for years. The truth is, if you served in the military, it’s more likely than not that you were exposed to toxic materials. The government has been running from this truth for years.

And meanwhile, veterans and their families bare the cost of medical services connected with the illness.