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The Official Newsletter for Retired Marines, Surviving Spouses and Families



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Commandant of the Marine Corps Independence Day Message



Two hundred and forty-nine years ago, the founders of our country made a powerful stand for freedom that captured the attention of the world and has echoed through the annals of history. On 4 July 1776, the Second Continental Congress officially approved the final version of the Declaration of Independence – a document 56 courageous patriots risked their own lives to sign, and ideals that generations of warriors have fought valiantly to preserve. Today, we continue the tradition of celebrating that document's call for extending freedom to all people, and we remember all who have gone into harm's way for the cause of liberty. For Marines, Independence Day is the perfect opportunity to demonstrate

our pride in service and reignite our commitment to country and Corps. We know maintaining freedom comes at a steep price and there are always adversaries threatening to attack and undermine our way of life. It is our duty and privilege to stand ready to defend liberty whenever and wherever our Nation calls. To our Nation, know that your Marines have the watch. We remain

capable and vigilant – prepared to carry on the legacy of America's expeditionary force-in-readiness. Marines readily take on the mission of ensuring that the vision for liberty and equality issued on 4 July 1776 is realized for all people. To all Marines, Sailors, and families, I wish you a happy 4th of July. I hope this holiday will offer each of you an opportunity to gather safely with family and friends. Make wise choices, look out for each other, and make sure everyone safely returns ready to work.

<u>Freedom Isn't Free! On Behalf of the Marine Corps, We Express</u> <u>Sincere Gratitude for Your Service and Sacrifice.</u>





REAL ID Requirements for Those Authorized to Drive onto Arlington National Cemetery

All individuals over the age of 18 who are authorized to drive onto Arlington National Cemetery in a vehicle should be prepared to present a REAL ID at the security checkpoint. This applies to funeral attendees, family pass holders, honor flights, contractors who do not possess a Department of Defense (DoD) Common Access Card (CAC) or an Automated Installation (AIE) badge, family-hired photographers and florists who drive into the cemetery via Memorial Avenue, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall or the Service Complex Gate.

Visitors who arrive by vehicle and park in the Welcome Center parking garage, walk, take the Metro or use a ride share service to ANC will not be required to present a REAL ID, as they will be required to go through standard physical security screeing within the Welcome Center.

If you do not have a REAL ID-compliant state driver's license, the following forms of identification will be accepted:

DoD Common Access Card

- DoD Uniformed Services ID Cards (military retiree or dependent ID)
- · Local DoD Access Cards and Passes (i.e. Defense Biometric Identification System Card)
- U.S. or Foreign Passport or Passport Cards
- Transportation Worker Identification Cards
- Veteran's Health Identification Cards
- Federal Personal Identify Verification Cards
- Non-Federal PIV-Interoperable Cards
- An acceptable photo ID issued by a federally recognized Tribal Nation/Indian Tribe, including Enhanced Tribal Cards (ETCs).

<u>Veterans Commemorated With Urn or</u> Plaque Would get VA Burial Option Under New Bill

Families who choose to receive an urn or commemorative plaque on behalf of a deceased veteran forfeit the right to bury that veteran in a national cemetery under a new Department of Veterans Affairs rule. That trade-off came under fire from some veterans advocates when it was introduced last year and is now the subject of a bill that aims to ensure veterans can still be buried as long as it is with their spouses or dependents. The Loved Ones Internment Act would clarify the existing law to allow veterans who were commemorated with an urn or plaque to be interred in the same burial space as their spouse or child in a national or veterans cemetery.

The legislation would also require the VA to provide a family headstone that contains details about the cremated veteran - a benefit that is unavailable to families that apply for an urn or plaque.

<u>H.R. 9804 (118th): Loved Ones Interment Act</u> aims to ensure that veterans can be laid to rest alongside their loved ones in national or veterans cemeteries. This legislation addresses the current law that prevents veterans' cremated remains from being interred with loved ones if they received a burial benefit such as an urn or commemorative plaque from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The act would allow the cremated remains of veterans to be interred with their spouse or child, regardless of whether they received an urn or plaque from the VA. This legislation is part of the broader effort to uphold the dignity and respect of veterans and their families.

DoD Launching New Authentication System to Replace DS Logon July 17, 2025 By C. Todd Lopez, DOD News



Over the next 18 months, the Defense Department will replace the legacy DS Logon system, which authenticates users onto more than 200 DOD and Veterans Affairs websites, with a more modern and flexible system called myAuth.

The new authentication system offers a range of features that will simplify the login process for approximately 20 million individuals who use it, including military personnel, DOD civilians, military and civilian retirees, family member beneficiaries, contractors and vendors.

The myAuth system is based on a commercial product, rebranded for the Defense Department, which provides cloud-based "identity as a service" capabilities to the department. It is hosted on a secure DOD cloud and has been authorized by the Defense Information Systems Agency, said Zachary R. Gill, the branch chief of identity credential access management and partner services within the Defense Manpower Data Center.

Gill said one of the significant advantages of myAuth is that it provides secure access for individuals, such as retirees and beneficiaries, who may not have a common access card and cannot authenticate into a system using certificates contained within a CAC. However, the system also provides access options for individuals who have a CAC but may not be able to utilize it in certain circumstances.

For example, he presented a scenario in which a soldier or civilian employee might be traveling on orders booked through the Defense Travel System. At the airport, problems with the airline may mean the orders need to be changed, but since the traveler does not have access to a CAC-enabled computer, this poses a challenge.

"With myAuth, you would be able to provide an alternative credential, and therefore, you'd be able to access DTS from your personal cellphone and update your travel orders or make changes," Gill said.

He added that a CAC will no longer be the only way to access systems. Other methods, on a case-by-case basis, will provide the user with a variety of login options.

The myAuth utilizes Okta Verify, which can be installed on a personal or government-issued cellphone and will serve as a means to provide CAC-free access. The app includes biometric capabilities for both face and fingerprint recognition.

Gill said the methods of access allowed are set by the system owner, but myAuth can do it all.

"For instance, if I'm accessing DTS, the DTS application may say it needs a higher-level assurance for people to be able to access it," he said.

Gill described a CAC as authenticator assurance level three, the "gold standard" for authentication. However, lower levels of authentication could also be used if a system's administrators permit it. Not everybody in the community who will be served by myAuth has a CAC or a smartphone, Gill said. And the things they need to access might not require the highest levels of authentication. The myAuth system will flex to meet their needs.

"In our community, we serve a lot of members that may not have access to smartphones and may not have access to technology," he added. The legacy DS Logon is not the only system being replaced by myAuth, though it is the largest. Gill said other systems in use throughout DOD will also be shuttered and replaced by myAuth.

"There are multiple authentication systems across the department that each department is paying for individually, which means each department is paying for sustainment costs or licensing costs," he said. "myAuth will collapse those one-off systems, providing an enterprise solution."

A key performance metric for myAuth is system availability, the assurance that the system will always be available to authenticate users into critical Defense Department systems. Gill said the target for system availability with myAuth is that it be available to serve users 99.99% of the time.

Although the target for decommissioning the DS Logon is 18 months, Gill said users can log in to myAuth now and set up an account using their DS Logon credentials. If users wait until after DS Logon is gone, he said the process to create a new account will require reverifying the user's identity if they do not have a CAC. Active-duty service members and DOD civilians with a CAC will likely have no problem transitioning to myAuth, he said, adding that their daily use of systems that currently offer both DS Logon and myAuth as authentication methods will be a reminder to sign up for an account.

However, for the significant portion of users who do not use DOD systems daily, such as retirees, family members and contractors, Gill said getting the word out is a top priority.

"We've started executing our communications plan. We've already sent out several million emails to our community to let them know," he said, adding that the Defense Manpower Data Center has partnered with the Defense Health Agency to let users who access related Tricare-related systems know about the switch.

Gill said the myAuth website also provides assistance.

"If you hit the myAuth page, we have a new help section," he said. "And one of the cool features from myAuth that DS Logon did not have is the help feature. So, when you go to myAuth, there's a button that [is labeled] 'help.' And when you click that, it's going to break down everything about what myAuth is, how to log in, frequently asked questions and what creating a new account looks like"

As of July 14, 2025, over 740,000 DOD-affiliated personnel have created myAuth accounts. Importantly, the success rate for self-service account creation exceeds 99%, minimizing the need for users to contact the call center.

House Approves 7 New Veterans Benefits Bill

Here is How They'll Improve Your Life

Bill Name	Key Goal	Primary Area Impacted
1. Prioritizing Veterans' Survivors Act	Elevate Office of Survivors Assistance for better support. Area Impacted: Survivor Benefits (incl. indemnity compensation)	Ensures that OSA operates within the Office of the VA Secretary to ensure that VA prioritizes advocacy and services for veterans' surviving spouses and families.
2. Veterans Education Transparency and Training (VETT) Act	Create central portal for vocational training & ease CDL training access. Area Impacted: Educational Assistance & Job Training	Modifies the approval process for certain courses of education for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) educational assistance benefits1. It simplifies the process for veterans enrolling in higher education by modifying educational form requirements and establishing an online portal through the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to serve as a comprehensive resource center for trainings available to veterans through School Certifying Officials
3. Vietnam Veterans Liver Fluke Cancer Study Act	Study prevalence of bile duct cancer in Vietnam vets due to liver fluke exposure. Area Impacted: Health Care & Service Connection Research	The Vietnam Veterans Liver Fluke Cancer Study Act requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to conduct an epidemiological study and report on the prevalence of cholangiocarcinoma (bile duct cancer) in veterans who served in the Vietnam theater of operations during the Vietnam Era.
4. Clear Communication for Veterans Claims Act	Require VA to simplify disability claim notification letters. Area Impacted: Disability Claims Process & Communication	This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to seek to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to assess notices that the VA sends to claimants applying for or submitting claims for VA benefits. The VA must report on the findings of the assessment and implement recommendations in the assessment.

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5. Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserves Tuition Fairness Act	Require in-state tuition for reservists using MGIB-SR at public schools. Area Impacted: Educational Assistance & Equal Access	The Montgomery GI Bill-Selected Reserves (MGIB-SR) Tuition Fairness Act is a bipartisan bill that requires public higher education institutions to charge in-state tuition rates for veterans using MGIB-SR12. It establishes parity between reservists and active-duty personnel by requiring the same in-state tuition rates for veterans using MGIB-SR as those using other GI Bill programs.
6. Deliver for Veterans Act	Require VA to cover delivery costs for certain adapted vehicles Area Impacted: Disability Support & Transportation	The Deliver for Veterans Act is bipartisan legislation that aims to eliminate barriers for service-disabled veterans to access adaptive vehicles. The bill would expand a Veterans Affairs (VA) grant program to cover shipping costs for disabled veterans who require modified vehicles for transportation. The proposed amendment to title 38, United States Code, would expand the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide or assist in providing a vehicle adapted for operation by a disabled individual to certain eligible persons, by paying expenses associated with the delivery of such vehicle. School Certifying Officials
7. Fairness for Servicemembers and their Families Act	Study prevalence of bile duct cancer in Vietnam vets due to liver fluke exposure. Area Impacted: Life Insurance Benefits	The Fairness for Servicemembers and their Families Act ensures that life insurance packages for servicemembers and veterans adjust for increases in cost of living and inflation. The bill also requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to periodically review and report on the maximum coverage available under the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance and Veterans' Group Life Insurance programs.

Veteran Service Organizations

Get answers to common questions about VA-accredited representatives. VA's Office of General Counsel accredits 3 types of representatives: Veterans Service Organization (VSO) representatives, attorneys, and claims agents. These representatives can provide you with responsible, qualified representation on your VA benefit claims. All VA-accredited representatives are authorized to provide help with VA benefit claims to Veterans and service members, as well as their dependents and survivors. If someone isn't recognized by VA, they can't legally help you with a VA benefit claim. Please visit https://www.va.gov/get-help-from-accredited-representative/.

National Resource Directory

The National Resources Directory (NRD) s a database of validated resources that supports recovery, rehabilitation, and reintegration for Service members, veterans, family members, and caregivers. The NRD is a partnership among the Departments of Defense, Labor and Veterans Affairs that connects wounded warriors, Service Members, Veterans, their families, and caregivers to programs and services that support them. Please visit https://nrd.gov/ to explore popular resources.

Military Relief Organizations

If you're having serious financial problems, your Military Service relief organization can assist. Army Emergency Relief, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, the Air Force Aid Society, and Coast Guard Mutual Assistance may be able to help with interest-free loans, grants, or a combination of loans and grants. They can also offer financial preparedness counseling and tuition assistance. Visit your Military Service relief organization's website to learn more about eligibility and how to apply for aid.

Army Emergency Relief: https://www.armyemergencyrelief.org/

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: https://www.nmcrs.org/

Air Force Aid Society: https://www.defense.gov/Resources/Military-Support-Organizations/

Coast Guard Mutual Assistance: https://mycgma.org/

Reduced Age Retirement

The National Defense Authorization Act for 2008 reduced the retirement age for Reserve Component and National Guard Soldiers from 60 to a lesser age, but not below age 50, for those who have served on Active Duty in an eligible status on or after January 29, 2008. For qualifying service on or after January 29, 2008, each day on that Active Duty tour could count toward a reduction in retirement age.

What Duty Counts For Reduced Age Retirement

Active Duty, for this purpose, means service pursuant to a call or order to AD on orders specifying, as the authority for such orders, a provision of law referred to in section 101(a) (13) (B), and performed under section 688, 12301 (a), 12302, 12304, 12305, 12406, and chapter 15 (insurrection), or under section 12301 (d) of Title 10 USC.

How Reduced Age Retirement Days Accrue

Even though each day counts, days are credited in aggregates of 90 days only within any Fiscal Year.

During any fiscal year, you can accrue 90 days of early retirement. Fewer days will not count or be carried over to the next fiscal year and more days past 90 will not count and will not be carried over to the next fiscal year.

That 90-day period does not have to be contiguous. It could be the sum of more than one mobilization, so long as it meets the U.S. codes within that fiscal year.

For instance, you might have three 30-day mobilizations in one fiscal year. That would meet the 90-day criteria. Or, there might be six 15-day mobilizations. That too would meet the criteria. Any number of combinations that add to 90 days would count.

For additional information please contact Headquarters Marine Corps, Manpower Management & Reserve Affairs Inactive Reserve Separation and Retirement Section (MMSR-5 at smb manpower mmsr5@usmc.mil.

Education Opportunities for Student Veterans

Yellow Ribbon. Allows approved institutions of higher learning in the US and the VA to partially or fully fund tuition and expenses that exceed the GI Bill limits. Please visit https://safe.menlosecurity.com/https://www.va.gov/education/about-gi-bill-benefits/post-9-11/yellow-ribbon-program/

Fry Scholarship. If you're the child or surviving spouse of a service member or member of the Selected Reserve who died on or after September 11, 2001, you may be eligible for the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship (Fry Scholarship). Please visit https://safe.menlosecurity.com/https://www.va.gov/family-and-caregiver-benefits/education-and-careers/fry-scholarship/

Rural Benefit.. Certain veterans who relocate from highly rural areas to attend college may be eligible for a one-time \$500 payment to help defer costs associated with relocation. Please visit https://safe.menlosecurity.com/https://www.va.gov/education/benefit-rates/

In-State Tuition. If you attend a public school, the Post-9/11 GI Bill will only reimburse the in- state tuition and fees rate even if the school considers you an out-of-state student. Fortunately, some states have taken the steps to acknowledge all veterans as in-state students. To learn which states help you maximize your GI Bill benefits, please visit https://safe.menlosecurity.com/https://studentveterans.org/government-affairs/in-state-tuition-map/

Hazlewood Act. Certain qualified veterans and dependent children are exempted from specific tuition and fees in the state of Texas. To learn more about the Hazlewood Act and to see if you qualify call 1 (800) 252- 8387 or visit https://safe.menlosecurity.com/https://tvc.texas.gov/education/hazlewood/

Scholarships. Several national scholarships may be available to help defray some out-of- pocket costs for higher education. VFW offers scholarships for student veterans in partnership with Sport Clips and Student Veterans of America (SVA) offers scholarships in partnership with Google for veterans pursuing STEM degrees. Please visit https://safe.menlosecurity.com/https://www.vfw.org/scholarship and

Defense Finance and Accounting Services

Changes Coming Mid-2025 for Retirees Who Pay SBP Monthly Premiums Directly



Some retirees need to pay monthly Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) or Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP) premiums directly instead of having them deducted from pay because their Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) disability compensation pay

offsets their retired pay. We call that direct remittance. Most of these payments are handled by the U.S. Department of Treasury Centralized Receivables Service (CRS). When CRS receives the payment from the retiree, they report it to DFAS Retired and Annuitant (R&A) Pay to ensure the retiree's account is credited.

What You Need to Know

In mid- year, R&A Pay will begin issuing all monthly direct remittance SBP premium billing statements and collecting all SBP premium direct remittance payments instead of using Treasury's CRS. This means retirees will need to either: (1) make their payments to a different mailing address or (2) change their electronic payments if they have them set up to pay to CRS or (3) use Pay.gov to pay DFAS. This month, DFAS mailed a letter explaining the changes to all retirees who will be affected. The letter will be followed by an emailed Smart Doc to the retirees who have a valid email address in myPay. Changes like this are one of the reasons it's important for retirees to keep their mailing address and email address updated with DFAS.

What You Need to Do

It's important that DFAS has your current mailing address so you receive the billing statement with new payment instructions. If your address has changed, DFAS has several convenient options for updating the mailing address on your retired pay account. 1. Use our askDFAS online tool to update your address: find out more on our Quick Tools webpage at https://www.dfas.mil/raquicktools. 2. Send a completed and signed DD Form 2866 to request we update your mailing address.(A) Upload your signed form as a PDF using our askDFAS online upload tool. Find out more at https://www.dfas.mil/retonlinetools

2025 "THE PRESIDENTS'S OWN: 10 STATES, 28 CONCERTS TOUR

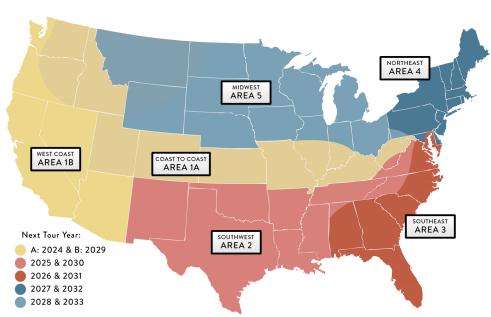
In October 2025, "The President's Own" United States Marine Band will tour from Washington, D.C., to the Southern United States, performing free, public concerts in the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

Since 17th Director John Philip Sousa was first granted permission to tour the country by President Benjamin Harrison in 1891, the Marine Band has delivered a White House experience from Washington, D.C., to the far-reaching corners of our nation. These special concerts have now grown into an experience shared across generations of Americans as well as a cherished tradition for families, veterans and music-lovers alike.

For 2025, Marine Band Director Lt. Col. Ryan Nowlin will program musical selections in the style of Sousa: Concertgoers can expect to experience a mix of works including traditional band repertoire, Sousa marches, contemporary compositions, vocal and instrumental solos and a patriotic salute to the Armed Forces.

Tickets are free and will be made available one month before the concert date. Please select a date and city below for more information. Visit the Marine Band website at www.marineband.marines.mil for additional information.





USMC Reunions

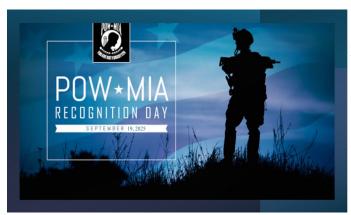
Organization/POC	Date	Phone	Email
26th Marines Association: Rejoining Those Who Served Doubletree by Hilton, Boston Logan Airport Chelsea, MA Lawrence E. McCartney	25-28 September 2025	888-446-6677 Reservations 617-884-2900 Hotel	www.26thMarines.org e9m0291@yahoo.com http://www.26thmarines.org/ MbrShip_Form.pdf
Marine Corps Interrogator Translator Team Association (MCITTA) Salt Lake City, UT Curtis Ferrell	25-29 September 2025	757-822-4861	crferrell@msn.com https://mcitta.org
VMFA-531 (All years) Key West, FL / Richard Niedner	29 September - 4 October, 2025	(703) 566-6865	lipsdurkin@hotmail.com https://531grayghostsquadron.org/ history
TBS 3-70 Charlie Company Reunion Hampton Inn Stafford/Quantico, VA Paul Perra	6-8 October 2025	978-381-4746	pperra@icloud.com
6th Civil Affairs Group Hilton Garden Inn, Philadelphia, PA Patty Klop	10-13 October 2025	224-234-4580	psbacon@yahoo.com https://www.facebook.com/ groups/221638808046697
ANGLICO Association Reunion for 2025 Hyatt Centric French Quarter New Orleans, LA Jack Olson, Juan Avila, and Joe L. Luque	23-26 October 2025	219-552-5121 408-307-3151 661-912-3151	jackolson79@gmail.com Juantrades97@gmail.com jlluque47@gmail.com
2025 CACO/CAP Reunion & 250th USMC Birthday Celebration San Antonio, TX Mark Morales	6-10 November 2025	601-918-5008	mrmo@bellsouth.net
EEIC 30th Reunion Marine Corps Detachment Fort Leonard Wood, MO	7-8 November 2025	270-317-4795	randall.pettus@gmail.com
HMM-265 (All Years) San Antonio Bob Basye	8-12 November 2025	302-545-1235	rabasye@comcast.net webmaster@hmm-265.org
VMFP-3 (Marine Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron 3) The Orleans Hotel, Las Vegas, NV Lou Davis	13-17 November 2025	951-295-1201	lou_davis@msn.com
(AT) TOW Co. 8th Tank BN, 4th MARDIV Desert Storm 35-Year Reunion Miami Dade Military Museum & Memorial Miami, FL 33177 Abiud Montes	17 January 2026	954-816-7034	abiud.montes@gmail.com
Marine Fighter Foray Reunion Hyatt Regency, Dallas, TX / Donnie Herrin / William Pratt, / Rick Packard	14-18 October 2026	214- 632-5124 210-441-9889 352-988-0410	dherrin@vmfareadyroom.com prattwf@gmail.com Packard.rick@gmail.com
A-6 Intruder Reunion (All Squadrons - All Years) Hyatt Regency, Dallas, TX / Joe Krauss	22-26 April 2026	703-362-4761	hjkrauss2@gmail.com intruderassociation.org
USMC Weather Service (METOC) Binghamton, NY Dave Englert/Kathy Donham	14-18 June 2026	812-630-2099 Dave 252-342-8459 Kathy	englertd@psci.net Kathy.dohham@hotmail.com
Women Marines Association Frankenmuth, MI	21-25 September 2026	816-916-5812	CPC@womenmarines.org

2025 Military Retiree Appreciation Days



5 September 2025	Fort McCoy, WI	502-898-3716
12-13 September 2025	Fort Leonard Wood, MO	573-596-6637
13 September 2025	JBSA Randolph, TX	210-652-6880
18-19 September 2025	Fort Sill, OK	580-442-2645
18 September 2025	JB Myer-Henderson Hall, VA	703-806-5948
20 September 2025	Fort Drum, NY	315-772-6434
20 September 2025	Fort Campbell, KY	270-798-5280
27 September 2025	Fort Gregg-Adams, VA (Fort Lee)	804-734-6973/7345
27 September 2025	Camp Lejeune, NC (Marston Pavilion)	910-451-0287
9 October 2025	USAG Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany	+49-611-143-541-1021
9-10 October 2025	Fort Bliss, TX	915-568-5204
11 October 2025	JB Ellington, Houston TX	210-221-9004 / 9793
17 October 2025	USAG Benelux,Brunssum, Netherlands	+32-0476-79-78-59
17-18 October 2025	Fort Bragg	910-396-5304
18 October 2025	USAG Benelux/Shape, Belgium	+0032-65-75-7488
18 October 2025	Carlisle Barracks, PA	717-245-4501
18 October 2025	JB Langley, Eustis, VA	757-878-3648
18 October 2025	Fort Riley, KS	785-239-3320
18 October 2025	Schofield Barracks, HI	808-655-1514
22 October 2025	USAG Ansbach, Germany	+09641-705871814
24 October 2025	Fort Knox, KY	502-624-7236 / 1280
24 October 2025	Fort Belvoir	703-806-4551
24 October 2025	Fort Hamilton, NY	718-630-4552/4930
24 October 2025	USAG Italy	+39-0444-71-4831
25 October 2025	Fort Leavenworth, KS	913-684-5583 / 2425
25 October 2025	Fort Johnson, LA (Fort Polk)	337-531-0363 / 0402
28 October 2025	USAG Italy	+39-0444-71-4831
28 October 2025	USAG Bavaria (Grafenwoehr), Germany	+49-9641-70-526-4430
29 October 2005	Stuttgart, Germany	+0049-09641-70-596-2010
31 October-1 November 2025	Fort Cavazos, TX	254-287-5210
31 October 2025	Fort Novosel, AL (Fort Rucker)	334-225-9124 / 9739
1 November 2025	JB San Antonio, TX	210-221-9004/9793
7 November 2025	Fort Benning, GA	706-545-1805/4434
7 November 2025	Fort Buchanan, PR	787-707-2061
7 November 2025	Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD	410-306-2345

POW MIA Recognition Day, Friday September 19, 2025



While National POW/MIA Recognition Day is not a public holiday, the United States' National POW/MIA Recognition Day is observed across the nation on the third Friday of September each year. Many Americans take the time to remember those who were prisoners of war (POW) and those who are missing in action (MIA), as well as their families. Many Americans across the United States pause to remember the

sacrifices and service of those who were prisoners of war (POW), as well as those who are missing in action (MIA), and their families. All military installations fly the National League of Families' POW/MIA flag, which symbolizes the nation's remembrance of those who were imprisoned while serving in conflicts and those who remain missing. There are 1,741 American personnel listed by the Defense Department's POW/MIA Office as missing and unaccounted for from the Vietnam War, as of April 2009. The number of United States personnel accounted for since the end of the Vietnam War in 1975 is 841. About 90 percent of the 1,741 people still missing were lost in Vietnam or areas of Laos and Cambodia under Vietnam's wartime control, according to the National League of Families website (cited in the United States Army website).



The National League of Families' POW/MIA flag symbolizes the United States' resolve to never forget POWs or those who served their country in conflicts and are still missing. Newt Heisley designed the flag. The flag's design features a silhouette of a young man, which is based on Mr Heisley's son, who was medically discharged from the military. As Mr Heisley looked at his returning son's gaunt features,

he imagined what life was for those behind barbed wire fences on foreign shores. He then sketched the profile of his son as the new flag's design was created in his mind.

<u>Alabama</u>

Military income: Follows federal rules

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Alaska

No state income tax. Legal residents are eligible for

the Permanent Fund Dividend

Arkansas

Military income: Tax-free Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

California

Military income: Military pay is taxable if stationed in

California

Retired pay: Follows federal tax rules

Survivor Benefit Plan: Follows federal tax rules

Social Security: Tax-free

Colorado

Military income: Tax-free if stationed outside the continental United States and you spend at least 305

days outside the U.S. during the tax year.

Accompanying spouse is also eligible as long as they

spend at least 305 days outside the U.S.

Retired pay: Military retirees under age 55 can exclude up to \$15,000 of their retirement pay from their gross income; while all retirees ages 55-64 can exclude up to \$20,000; and those 65 and over can exclude up to

\$24,000.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Taxable

Connecticut

Military income: If you are stationed outside of the state, your military income is tax-free if you don't own a home in Connecticut or visit for more than 30 days.

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Taxable

Delaware

Military income: Follows federal tax rules Retired pay: Up to \$12,500 of military retirement

excluded for retirees under age 60

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

District of Columbia

Military income: Follows federal tax rules Retired pay: Follows federal tax rules

Survivor Benefit Plan: Follows federal tax rules

Social Security: Tax-free

Florida

No state income tax

Georgia

Military income: Follows federal tax rules Retired pay: \$17,500 of military retirement income can be excluded for retirees younger than 62; and an additional \$17,500 can be excluded for those with more than \$17,500 of earned income in Georgia. All Georgia retirees ages 62 to 64 may exempt up to \$35,000. Those 65 and older may claim an

exemption of up to \$65,000.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

Hawaii

Military income: Follows federal tax rules

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Idaho

Military income: Tax-free if stationed out of state Retired pay: Tax-free for retirees over 65, disabled

retirees over 62

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

Illinois

Military income: Tax-free Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free

Social Security: Tax-free

<u>Indiana</u>

Military income: Up to a \$5,000 deduction.

Tax-free starting with 2024 taxes

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

Iowa

Military income: Tax-free Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Kansas

Military income: Follows federal tax rules, but recruitment and retention bonuses, money received from the services to repay student loans, and death benefits may be subtracted from the adjusted gross

income.

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Taxable

Kentucky

Military income: Tax-free

Retired pay: Up to \$31,110 is tax-free. You may be

able to exclude more in some situations. Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

Louisiana

Military income: Beginning in 2022, up to \$50,000 is tax-free if stationed out of state for 120 or more

consecutive days. Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Maine

Military income: Military income earned out of state is

tax-free

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Maryland

Military income: If your total income is less than \$30,000, you can deduct up to \$15,000 of military pay if stationed outside the continental United States. Retired pay: The first \$12,500 is tax-free starting with the 2023 tax year. That amount increases to \$20,000

for those 55 or older.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

Massachusetts

Military income: Follows federal tax rules

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Michigan

Military income: Tax-free Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Minnesota

Military income: Tax-free Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free

Social Security: The maximum subtraction for 2023 taxes is \$5,840 for married joint filers; \$2,920 for married separate filers; and \$4,560 for single and

head-of-household filers

<u>Mississippi</u>

Military income: Follows federal tax rules

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Missouri

Military income: Tax-free Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Taxable

Montana

Military income: Tax-free

Retired pay: Starting in the 2024 tax year, residents who work in Montana may deduct up to 50% of military retirement or survivor pay for up to the first five years of meeting the eligibility requirements. For retirees in general, up to \$5,060 is exempt if gross income is less than \$42,140 for the 2023 tax year. Starting in the 2024 tax tear, taxpayers ages 65 and over will receive a \$5,500 subtraction from their federal taxable income.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Follows federal tax rules

Social Security: Taxable

Nebraska

Military income: Follows federal tax rules

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Follows federal tax rules

Social Security: Taxable

Nevada

No state income tax.

New Hampshire

No income tax -- tax on interest and dividends only.

New Jersey

Military income: Taxable, except combat pay for tax

year 2021 and later

Veteran deduction: Honorably discharged veterans qualify for a one-time \$6,000 tax deduction in the year

they are discharged from active duty.

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

New Mexico

Military income: Tax-free

Retired pay: Follows federal tax rules

Survivor Benefit Plan: Up to \$30,000 is tax-free

starting in the 2024 tax year. Social Security: Same as retired pay

New York

Military income: Tax-free if you: 1) did not maintain any permanent home in New York; 2) maintained a permanent home outside New York during the entire year (barracks, bachelor officers' quarters or shipboard don't qualify); 3) spent less than 30 days in New York during the tax year. It also is tax-free if you were in a foreign country for at least 450 days during any period of 548 consecutive days.

Retired pay: Tax-free Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free

Social Security: Tax-free

North Carolina

Military income: Follows federal tax rules

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

North Dakota

Military income: Tax-free starting with the 2023 tax

year

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Ohio

Military income: Tax-free if stationed outside Ohio

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Oklahoma

Military income: Tax-free

Retired pay: Beginning in 2022, retirement pay is

tax-free.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

Oregon

Military income: All active duty pay earned out of state is tax-free. Up to \$6,000 of active-duty pay earned in

Oregon is also tax-free.

Retired pay: If you had military service before Oct. 1, 1991, you may be able to deduct a portion of your retirement pay. If you didn't have military or federal service prior to Oct. 1, 1991, your military retirement is taxed normally.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

Rhode Island

Military income: Follows federal tax rules

Retired pay: Effective in 2023, military retirement is

tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Taxable

South Carolina

Military income: Active duty pay is taxable. Reserve

or National Guard drill pay is not taxable.

Retired pay: Effective in 2022, military retirement is

tax-free.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay

Social Security: Tax-free

South Dakota

No state income tax

Tennessee

Tennessee has no income tax, but it does have a tax on

interest and dividends.

Texas

No state income tax

<u>Utah</u>

Military income: Follows federal tax rules
Retired pay: A non-refundable credit of 4.65% of
retired pay offsets the Utah tax on that income.
Survivor Benefit Plan: A non-refundable credit of
4.65% of survivor's benefits offsets the Utah tax on that

income.

Social Security: Taxable

Vermont

Military income: Active duty military pay earned

outside Vermont is tax-free.

Retired pay: Up to \$10,000 in retirement income is tax-free for those with a gross income less than \$50,000 for single filers or \$65,000 for joint filers. Survivor Benefit Plan: Follows federal tax rules

Social Security: Taxable

Virginia

Military income: Up to \$15,000 of military basic pay received during the taxable year may be exempted from Virginia income tax. For every \$1 of income over \$15,000, the maximum subtraction is reduced by \$1. For example, if your basic pay is \$16,000, you are entitled to deduct only \$14,000. You are not eligible for the subtraction if your military basic pay is \$30,000 or more. For Virginia National Guard, up to 39 calendar days of service or \$3,000 (whichever is less) may be deducted from your income when filing. This deduction is only available for O-3 and below. Retired pay: A \$20,000 exemption in the 2023 tax year; \$30,000 in 2024, with the age requirement expiring in this tax year; and \$40,000 in 2025 and beyond.

Survivor Benefit Plan: Same as retired pay.

Social Security: Tax-free

Washington

No state income tax

West Virginia

Military income: Tax-free if the service member maintained a physical presence in the state for less than

30 days

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Taxable

Wisconsin

Military income: Follows federal tax rules

Retired pay: Tax-free

Survivor Benefit Plan: Tax-free Social Security: Tax-free

Wyoming

No state income tax

U.S. Territories & Possessions

Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico have their own independent tax departments. If you have income from one of these possessions, you may have to file a U.S. tax return only, a possession tax return only, or both returns. This generally depends on whether you are considered a resident of one of the possessions. In some cases, you may have to file a U.S. return, but be able to exclude income earned in a possession from U.S. tax

<u>Uniformed Services Identification Cards for Retirees, Spouses,</u> & <u>Dependents</u>

DoD has *not* issued a mandate for retirees and others with legacy paper-based Uniformed Services identification (USID) cards to have them replaced. Any articles publicizing a December 31, 2025 deadline are inaccurate. *Legacy paper-based USID cards with extended expiration dates* issued to specific populations – e.g. Reserve Retirees and Former Members eligible for retired pay and benefits at age 60 – *as well as cards with indefinite expiration dates* issued to retirees, dependents over age 65, and Permanently Incapacitated dependents, *will all remain valid until DoD determines when those legacy paper-based cards will be terminated*. The Department intends to execute a positive communications plan formally announcing the termination well in advance of the actual termination date.

Sponsors are encouraged to access their identification (ID) card records via the ID Card Office Online (https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/) "My Profile" option to ensure their record reflects both their current mailing and email addresses in advance of those communications. Additionally, individuals with extended or indefinite (INDEF) expiration dates on their legacy paper-based USID card may replace those cards with a plastic-based USID card at their convenience. There are several ways to obtain a new USID card:

Visit the ID Card Office Online website (https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/), select "Continue" under the "Family ID Cards" header and follow the prompts for Online USID Renewal. *Note: It may be necessary to create a myAuth account for logon*, or Visit the RAPIDS ID Card Office Locator website (https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/locator) to find the closest ID card office and schedule an appointment using the "Schedule an Appointment" option under the "More Site Info" header for any of the sites presented in the search results.

Military Funeral Honors (TAPS)

The Defense Department provides military funeral honors to recognize the sacrifice and contributions of our nation's veterans. The following individuals are eligible to receive military funeral honors: Military members who die while on active duty, Veterans who served in the active military, naval or air service, and were discharged or released from that service by means of an "honorable" or "under honorable conditions"

discharge. Providing military funeral honors is the nation's way of showing gratitude and paying final tribute to a veteran's honorable military service.

Learn how the military can honor a veteran at their funeral, and find out how to get a military grave marker. Who is eligible for military funeral honors and how to request them Funeral honors include the playing of "Taps," the presentation of a U.S. flag, and a detail of uniformed military personnel. Learn more about what happens during military funeral honors. These honors are provided for free for veterans and active-duty members. See if you or your loved one is eligible for military funeral honors. Please visit https://www.militaryonesource.mil/casualty-assistance/military-funerals/eligibility/

How to Request Military Funeral Honors. The funeral director who handles the veteran's service will request the honors. You will need to provide the veteran's discharge papers to verify eligibility. If you need a copy, submit an emergency request for military records to the National Archives. Please visit

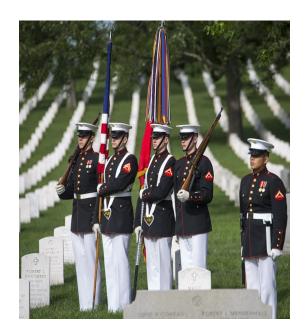
https://download.militaryonesource.mil/12038/MOS/Misc%20Files/mos-mfh-nara-form.pdf

Military Funeral Memorials. Veterans and reservists are eligible for other memorial items. Learn how to apply for memorials, including: Headstones, markers, medallions, plaques, and urns, burial flag Presidential memorial certificate These memorials are available for veterans buried in private cemeteries. Spouses or dependent children buried at national or veterans cemeteries may also be eligible for headstones or markers. Please visit https://www.va.gov/burials-

memorials/memorial-items/

<u>Military Funeral Honors Directory.</u> Use the Military Funeral Honors Directory by locating the state or territory in which the requested funeral honors will take place. Under the state, you will find a local phone number for each of the military services.

Choose the phone number that corresponds to the military service of the deceased. Numbers for each military service will apply, in most cases, to the state as a whole. But some states will have more than one phone number per military service, listed by county or city. For additional information, contact Military OneSource at 800-342-9647. https://www.militaryonesource.mil/resources/tools/military-funeral-honors-directory/



Military Funeral Honors (TAPS) Honoring Those Who Served



U.S. Marine Corps military funerals are conducted to recognize the proud American tradition of honorable service which USMC men and women have given to their country. Our Nation regards the memorializing of its military deceased as an honorable and sacred obligation.

On behalf of the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, we offer our deepest condolences to the families and friends of the following Marines:

COLONEL	RET/Death	CAPTAIN	RET/Death
CLARK, ALLEN B.	Jul 72/Mar 24	BENNETT, MICHAEL B.	Oct 79/May 24
DUNN, HOLLIST T.	Oct 80/Mar 25	CHAVEZ, PEDRO	Mar 73/May 25
DWAN, JOHN F.	Feb 97/Jan 25	CLEMENTS, CHARLES F.	Aug 86/May 25
HUST, JAMES W.	Jul 98/Jul 25	GREGORY, A. R.	Sep 69/Mar 25
THOMAS, ROBERT D.	May 92/Mar 25	HOFFMAN, CHARLES R.	Sep 73/May 25
YOUNGS, BRIAN M.	Jul 00/Feb 25	OMEARA, ROBERT C.	Dec 98/Sep 24
		NOZAR, JOHN J.	Jul 85/Apr 25
LIEUTENANT COLONEL		SCROGGY, GENE A.	Oct 77/Feb 25
HARNDEN, MILTON D.	Jun 79/Apr 25	SUTTON, TERRY D.	Jun 85/Nov 24
JURKOVICH, MARK T. JR	Dec 91/Feb 25	TAYLOR, FLOYD E.	Nov 82/Jun 24
LYNCH, CHARLES L.	Jul 86/May 25		
RUFF, STACEY A.	Nov 04/May 25		
SELVITELLE, BENJAMIN B. III	Apr 92/Jun 25	CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 4	
SENIK, JOHN P.	Jun 80/May 25	BAUMER, GARY L.	Oct 00/Mar 24
SMYTH, THOMAS J.	Aug 79/Mar 25	REYNOLDS, THOMAS A.	Sep 89/Apr 25
WALDRON, JOSEPH R.	Aug 92/Jan 25		
WEIGAND, RONALD A.	Aug 91/May 25	CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 3	
		CIEPLOWSKI, VIRGIL S.	Apr 82/Jan 25
MAJOR			
BRYSON, GARY E.	Jul 93/Sep 24	CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER	
CORSEY, NOLAN L.	Feb 78/Jan 25	CALDWELL, CHARLES D.	Jul 68/Nov 23
DEARTH, RODNEY L.	Dec 96/Dec 23		
FULLADOSA, VICTOR J.	Jul 75/Aug 24		
HARWELL, EARL N.	Oct 71/Nov 19		
RESSING, PHILLIP S.	Jan 15/May 25		
RODRIGUEZ, JUSTIN C.	Oct 10/Mar 25		
SNIDER, WILLIAM T. JR	Oct 93/Jun 25		
SMITH, FRANK W.	Nov 89/Jan 25		
WILDER, RUFUS M. II	Jul 16/Mar 25		

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SERGEANT MAJOR BARRETT, DONNIE R.	RET/Death Jan 07/Nov 24	GUNNERY SERGEANT HILES, JOHN R.	RET/Death May 91/Oct 22
BASENER, RICHARD A.	Mar 85/Dec 24	HINSON, DONALD	Jul 74/Nov 24
HOLM, CARL R.	Oct 88/Feb 24	HEMPHILL, BRIAN D.	Jan 23/Mar 25
MCBRIDE, DANNY L.	Mar 97/Feb 25	JAMES, GLENWOOD V.	Aug 66/Mar 25
ODONNELL, ROBERT F.	Jan 07/May 25	JASON, JAMES L.	Nov 03/Jun 25
SHULER, RICHARD A.	Dec 94/Aug 24		Sep 71/Feb 25
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THOMAS, JERRY	Oct 97/Aug 24	LINN, LORETTA A.	Jul 94/Mar 25
MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT	ı	PARSONS, JAMES A. RICE, NORMAN C.	Jun 80/Sep 24 Apr 72/Mar 25
GODEK, JOSEPH W. JR	Jul 80/Nov 24	RIOS, ALFREDO	Apr 72/Mar 23 Mar 72/Aug 24
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HOFFMEISTER, REX D.	•	SCARINZI, THEODORE M.	Apr 71/May 25
LACKEY, WAYNE E.	Aug 89/Feb 25	SINGLETON, WILLAIM W.	Dec 77/Apr 25
FIRST SERGEANT		TURNER, ROBERT E.	Jun 68/Jan 25 Jun 77/Jan 25
	Nov 67/Feb 25	VINCENT, CRAIG J.	
AMBROSE, D. G.		ZEPEDA, GEORGE	Jun 84/May 25
HOPKINS, JERRY L.	Feb 86/Mar 25	CTA EE CED CE ANT	
MASON, MELVIN G.	Jul 71/Mar 25	STAFF SERGEANT	0 + 00/4 25
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DUCHARME, ONEIL F.	Feb 85/May 25	LEBEDA, TIMOTHY A.	Nov 03/Feb 25
FIDLER, GERALD E.	Oct 89/May 25	SMITH, CHARLES R.	Mar 69/Jan 258
GROSZEK, JAMES H.	Mar 90/Jun 25	QUALLS, ERNEST E.	Aug 81/Mar 25
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PARSON, ROSS E.	Aug 68/Oct 24	PEREZ, LEONEL R.	Apr 67/Apr 25
REYES, QUIRION E.	Jan 80/Nov 23		
RUSSELL, LEONARD L.	May 08/Feb 25	LANCE CORPORAL	
SALISBURY, RAMON V.	Mar 84/Nov 24	BELCHER, RICHARD R.	Mar 71/Mar 25
WAGNER, DAVID J.	Jan 94/Feb 23		
		PRIVATE	
GUNNERY SERGEANT		KELLEY, DONALD K. JR	Nov 72/Jun 25
ANDROLONES, EDWARD	Jun 74/Aug 24		
BEAUMONT, DERREK W.	Jul 94/May 25		
BEHRENS, R. H.	May 65/Oct 24		
BROWNING, HARLAN J.	Mar 68/Dec 24		
DEUBNER, DAVID N.	Dec 77/Apr 25		
GREEN, CECIL L.	Sep 75/May 25		

DFAS 2025 Pay Schedule

Entitlement Month	Retired Pay Date	Annuitant Pay Date
July 2025	August 1, 2025	August 1, 2025
August 2025	August 29, 2025	September 2, 2025
September 2025	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2025
October 2025	October 31, 2025	November 3, 2025
November 2025	December 1, 2025	December 1, 2025
December 2025	December 31, 2025	January 2, 2026

DFAS Contacts

DFAS Retired & Annuitant Pay Website: https://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary

Retired Pay: Defense Finance and Accounting Service, U.S. Military Retired Pay 8899 E 56th Street Indianapolis IN 46249-1200

Annuitant Pay: Defense Finance and Accounting Service, U.S. Military Annuitant Pay 8899 E 56th Street, Indianapolis IN 46249-1300

DFAS Retired & Annuitant Pay Phone and Fax Numbers Phone: Toll-free: 800-321-1080, Local: 317-212-0551, DSN: 699-0551, Retired Pay Fax: :800-469-6559, Annuitant/Survivor Pay Fax: 00-982-8459 myPay, https://mypay.dfas.mil , Phone:

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MAJOR

Ballek, Fred J. Barrie, Raymond L. Jr Bollinger, WM D. Ring, Dean E.

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SERGEANT

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AMC PASSENGER TERMINAL

http://www.amc.af.mil/Home/AMC-Travel-Site/

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(703) 607-8000

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CAMP LEJEUNE NOTIFICATION REGISTRY

https://clnr.hqi.usmc.mil/clwater

COLD WAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Attn: AHRC-PDP-A, Dept. 480 1600 Spearhead Division Ave. Fort Knox, KY 40122-5408

Fax: (800)723-9262 or (502) 613-9510

https://www.hrc.army.mil Search "Cold War Certificate"

COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL COMPEN-SATION BOARD (CRSCB). SECNAV CRSC

Board, 720 Kennon St. SE, Ste. 309; Washington, DC 20374, (877) 366-2772, (202) 685-6408, Fax: (202) 685-6610 https://www.secnav.navy.mil/mra/CORB/pages/crscb/default.aspxD

D DD 214s

Marines who have been discharged, separated, or retired on or before 31 December 1998:

National Personnel Records Center

1 Archives Dr., St. Louis, MO 63138

(314) 801-0800; Fax: (314) 801-9195 <u>PR.center@nara.gov; www.archives.gov/st-</u>

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Marines discharged/retired/separated on or after

1 January 1999:

Manpower Management Performance Branch (MMPB-21)

2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134 -5030

(800) 268-3710 option (1);

smb.manpower.mmrp 10@usmc.mil

DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE

(800) 321-1080, <u>www.dfas.mil</u>
U.S. and OCONUS: (216) 522-5955, Fax: (800)

DFAS Special Compensation for the Severely Disabled

P.O. Box 998011; Cleveland, OH 44199-8011 (216) 522-6170

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E-BENEFITS: https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/appmanager/eb/veterans

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Federal Employee Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP)

(877) 888-FEDS ((877) 888-3337) www.BENEFEDS.com/military

Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program (FLTCIP)

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MARINE CORPS ASSOCIATION 715 Broadway St., Quantico, VA 22134 (866) 622-1775, ext. 100, Fax: (703) 640-0162 mca@mcamarines.org

- LEATHERNECK MAGAZINE (800) 336-0291, ext. 115; Fax: (703) 640-0823 leatherneck@mca-marines.org
- MARINE CORPS GAZETTE (800) 336-0291, ext. 144; Fax: (703) 630-9147 gazette@mca-marines.org

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MARINE CORPS RESERVE ASSOCIATION

3619 Richmond Hwy, Suite 115 Stafford, VA 22554-7771 (877) 289-8780, (703) 289-1204

MCCS COMMUNITY SERVICES:

www.usc-mccs.org

MEDICAL RECORDS: Marines who have been discharged/separated/retired on 1 May 1994 or later:

VA Records Management Center

P.O. Box 5020; St. Louis, MO 63115 (888) 533-4558; Fax: (314)

MEDICARE: (800) 633-4227; www.medicare.gov

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NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS

18900 Jefferson Davis Hwy Triangle, VA 22172 (877) 653-17775 www.usmcmuseum.org

NATIONAL PERSONNEL RCORDRS CENTER

(314) 801-0800; https://www.archives.gov/ personnel-records-center/ military-personnel

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NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY

875 N. Randolph Road Street, Suite 225, Arlington, VA 22203 (800) 654-8364; http://www.nmcrs.org

Q QUANTICO NATIONAL CEMETERY (703) 221-2183

www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/quantico.asp

S SISTER SERVICE RETIREE PUBLICATIONS

- **Air Force Afterburner:** http://www.retirees.af.mil/Library/Afterburner/
- Army Echoes: https://soldierforlife.army.mil/retirement/echoes
- Coast Guard Evening Colors: www.uscg.mil/ppc/retnews
- Navy Shift Colors: www.mynavyhr.navy.mil/Media-Center/ Publications/Shift-Colors/

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

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