

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	<b>VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR BURIAL          IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY</b>	NUMBER
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**NOTE:** Orally summarize the below Privacy Act notice and provide a copy of this form before collecting information from a person.

**PRIVACY ACT NOTICE:** The information is solicited under Chapter 24, Title 38, United States Code, and will be used in determining the eligibility of the deceased for burial in a national cemetery, in making a preliminary determination concerning the monument inscription, and in making burial arrangements. Disclosure is voluntary. However, if the information is not furnished, burial may be delayed. The information may be disclosed outside the VA as permitted by law, or as stated in the "Notices of Systems of VA Records," identified as (42VA41), Veterans and Dependents National Cemetery Interment Records-VA and (41VA41), Veterans and Dependents National Cemetery Gravesite Reservation Records, which have been published in the Federal Register in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974.

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**SECTION I - FUNERAL HOME INFORMATION**

NAME OF FUNERAL HOME CONTACT		NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL HOME	
DATE CALL RECEIVED	TIME <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input type="checkbox"/> P.M.		

**SECTION II - DECEDENT**

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE INITIAL	DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)	DATE OF DEATH (MM/DD/YYYY)
HOME OF RECORD AT TIME OF DEATH (City, County, and State)	DECEDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SON <input type="checkbox"/> DAUGHTER <input type="checkbox"/> SPOUSE <input type="checkbox"/> VETERAN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	

**SECTION III - VETERAN**

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE INITIAL	MARITAL STATUS	SERVICE NUMBER OR SSN	VA CLAIM NUMBER
SEX (Information will be used for statistical purposes only) <input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> UNSPECIFIED OR ANOTHER GENDER IDENTITY			
RACE OR ETHNICITY (Optional. You may select more than one. Information will be used for statistical purposes only.) <input type="checkbox"/> AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN OR ASIAN AMERICAN <input type="checkbox"/> BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN <input type="checkbox"/> HISPANIC OR LATINO <input type="checkbox"/> NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO <input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER <input type="checkbox"/> WHITE			

MILITARY STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> ON ACTIVE DUTY <input type="checkbox"/> RETIRED <input type="checkbox"/> IN RESERVE <input type="checkbox"/> VETERAN	PERIOD OF SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/> WWI <input type="checkbox"/> VIETNAM <input type="checkbox"/> WWII <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> KOREAN	ACTIVE DUTY DATES (MM/DD/YYYY) ENTERED   RELEASED	OTHER SERVICE DATES (MM/DD/YYYY) ENTERED   RELEASED
HIGHEST GRADE, RATE OR RANK AND BRANCH OF SERVICE IN WHICH HELD			

**SECTION IV - NEXT OF KIN**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	RELATIONSHIP	
	DATE OF BIRTH OF WIDOW(ER) (If next of kin)	NAME OF MOTHER (If next of kin)

**SECTION V - INTERMENT DATA**

INTERMENT				GRAVE/LOCATION		DEPTH OF GRAVE	
TENTATIVE DATE	TIME <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input type="checkbox"/> P.M.	ACTUAL DATE	TIME <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input type="checkbox"/> P.M.	SECTION	NUMBER	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 FT. <input type="checkbox"/> 7 FT.	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 FT. <input type="checkbox"/> 9 FT.
GRAVE POSITION <input type="checkbox"/> CL <input type="checkbox"/> LH <input type="checkbox"/> LL <input type="checkbox"/> RH		OUTSIDE CONTAINER <input type="checkbox"/> VAULT <input type="checkbox"/> WOOD <input type="checkbox"/> METAL <input type="checkbox"/> CONCRETE <input type="checkbox"/> PLASTIC/FIBERGLASS <input type="checkbox"/> GOVT. GRAVELINER <input type="checkbox"/> NO CONTAINER			WAS THERE A PREVIOUS INTERMENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		TYPE OF REQUEST <input type="checkbox"/> RESERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> REOPENER

**INFORMATION REGARDING PREVIOUSLY INTERRED FAMILY MEMBER(S)**

NAME(S) OF FAMILY MEMBER(S)	DATE(S) OF DEATH	DATE(S) OF INTERMENT
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DISTANCE (MILES) FROM DECEDENT'S RESIDENCE	HAS FOREMAN BEEN NOTIFIED OF RESERVED GRAVE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	CREMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> URN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify)	BURIAL PERMIT <input type="checkbox"/> ON FILE <input type="checkbox"/> NOT FURNISHED FOR RECORD <input type="checkbox"/> NOT REQUIRED <input type="checkbox"/> SIGNED AND RETURNED
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**SECTION VI - RELIGIOUS DATA**

DENOMINATION OF DECEDENT <input type="checkbox"/> CATHOLIC <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> JEWISH <input type="checkbox"/> PROTESTANT	RELIGIOUS EMBLEM	COMMITAL SERVICES DESIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	NAME AND ADDRESS OF OFFICIATING CLERGY
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**SECTION VII - ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION**

For persons who served honorably with a special guerrilla unit or irregular forces operating from a base in Laos in support of the Armed Forces during the period February 28, 1962 and May 7, 1975:

AT TIME OF DEATH:

WAS A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OR AN ALIEN LAWFULLY ADMITTED FOR PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN THE U.S. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	RESIDED IN UNITED STATES <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DIED ON OR AFTER MARCH 23, 2018. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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**EVIDENCE OF SERVICE**

- ORIGINAL DOCUMENTATION ISSUED BY A GOVERNMENT AGENCY OFFICIALLY DOCUMENTING THE SERVICE TYPE, LOCATION AND DATES SERVED;
- AN AFFIDAVIT OF THE DECEDENT'S SUPERIOR OFFICER ATTESTING TO THE TYPE OF SERVICE, LOCATION, AND DATES SERVED;
- TWO AFFIDAVITS FROM OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE ALSO SERVING WITH SUCH A SPECIAL GUERRILLA UNIT OR IRREGULAR FORCES AND WHO PERSONALLY KNEW OF THE DECEDENT'S SERVICE; OR
- OTHER APPROPRIATE EVIDENCE THAT FACTUALLY DOCUMENTS THE SERVICE, LOCATION AND DATES SERVED.

DATE MESSAGE SENT	TIME <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input type="checkbox"/> P.M.	DATE REPLY RECEIVED	TIME <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input type="checkbox"/> P.M.	WAS DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE FURNISHED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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**SECTION VIII - MISCELLANEOUS DATA**

ARE PALLBEARERS SERVICES REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	ARE CLERGY SERVICES REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	WILL THERE BE MILITARY HONORS? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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**SECTION IX - FOR VA USE ONLY (Initial if required and give date when completed)**

INITIALS	DATE	ITEM	INITIALS	DATE	ITEM
		VA FORM 40-4956, RECORD OF INTERMENT			VA FORM 40-4965, INTERMENT RECORD FOR NEXT OF KIN
		VA FORM 40-4960, TEMPORARY GRAVE MARKER			VA FORM 40-4982, INTERMENT REGISTER
		VA FORM 40-4961, STATEMENT OF MARITAL STATUS			VA FORM 40-4987, AGREEMENT FOR BURIAL OF CREMATED REMAINS
		VA FORM 40-4964, CERTIFICATION OF MONUMENT DATA			PROOF OF SERVICE

REMARKS