

**ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION**



**WASHINGTON STATE VETERANS CEMETERY**

21702 W Espanola Rd, Medical Lake, WA 99022

Phone: (509) 299-6280 Fax: (509) 299-6286 Email: [cemetery@dva.wa.gov](mailto:cemetery@dva.wa.gov)

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DECEASED **Provide Death Certificate Upon Availability**

Date of Death: Veteran \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Preferred Date of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Funeral Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously submitted an application **OR** is a spouse already interred here?  Yes  No

**INTERMENT TYPE:**  Casket **or**  Cremation Columbarium Wall **OR**  Cremation, Burial Plot  Other

**IMPORTANT:** A COPY OF THE VETERAN'S DISCHARGE DOCUMENTATION **IS REQUIRED** AND MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION (i.e. DD-214 or equivalent discharge documents; must include character of service)

**VETERAN'S NAME AND PERSONAL INFORMATION (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY)**

1. LAST NAME	2. FIRST	3. MIDDLE	4. SUFFIX (Jr., Sr., III)
5. MAILING ADDRESS (PO BOX or NUMBER, STREET, APT/UNIT)			6. PRIMARY TELEPHONE ( )
7. CITY	8. STATE	9. ZIP CODE	10. ALTERNATE TELEPHONE ( )
11. SOCIAL SECURITY #	12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. GENDER	14. EMAIL

15. MARITAL STATUS:  MARRIED  NEVER MARRIED  WIDOWED  DIVORCED  LEGALLY SEPARATED

**VETERAN'S MILITARY SERVICE RECORD (As shown on required discharge documents)**

16. SERVICE NUMBER (if applicable)	17. DATE ENTERED SERVICE	18. DATE SEPARATED / RETIRED
19. HIGHEST RANK HELD	20. BRANCH OF SERVICE	21. MILITARY Component: (select applicable component) <input type="checkbox"/> Active Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Guard <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve <input type="checkbox"/> Mil Retiree

**NON-VETERAN SPOUSE INFORMATION (A Copy of the Marriage Certificate is required)  
IF SPOUSE IS ALSO A VETERAN, PLEASE COMPLETE A SEPARATE APPLICATION & SUBMIT SIMULTANEOUSLY**

22. LAST NAME	23. FIRST	24. MIDDLE
25. SOCIAL SECURITY #	26. DATE OF BIRTH	27. PRIMARY TELEPHONE
28. GENDER	29. EMAIL	

**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE - Authorized to arrange final disposition(s) upon passing of sole or second applicant, someone other than the spouse [sign below if applicant(s) are unable]**

30. LAST	31. FIRST	32. MIDDLE
33. RELATIONSHIP TO VETERAN	34. PRIMARY TELEPHONE ( )	35. EMAIL
36. ADDRESS (NUMBER, STREET, APT/UNIT, CITY, STATE ZIP CODE)		

37. PLEASE CHECK WHERE YOU WANT ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION MAILED:  VETERAN  PERSONAL REP

**CERTIFICATION:** I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that all the information entered on this application as well as the supporting documentation is true and correct. I also certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the veteran or spouse have never committed a capital crime or sexual crime for which a sentence of death or imprisonment for life may be imposed.

**Veteran or Representative's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse or Representative's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Do not write below this line, for completion by cemetery personnel only)*

Veteran Approved  Spouse Approved  Denied Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**See reverse for instructions on completing this form**

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## Instructions

**Preregistration** allows the Veteran to establish interment eligibility at the WA State Veterans Cemetery. Please note: There is no cost for pre-registration. This application does not reserve a specific gravesite and is not contractually binding. Preregistration is intended to help Veterans with preplanning and assist survivors with final disposition at the time of need.

There are no costs for Veteran interments. However, there is a nominal cost for family member interments due at the time of their interment which cannot be prepaid and is subject to increase. All funeral related expenses are the responsibility of the decedent's next-of-kin or the estate of the deceased.

- **Interment Type:** **Casketed** - Traditional full body burial, or **Cremation** - Cremation Interment **Options:** *Columbarium Wall, Ground Burial Plot.*  
**You are required to inform Cemetery staff IF as a married couple you choose different interment types (one applicant opts for a casketed burial, and the second is being cremated).** Failure to inform cemetery staff may result in an expense to the family in order to unite a married couple in a single grave.
  - **Casket - outer dimensions are required at the time of scheduling for caskets exceeding 83" in length x 26" in width or for any custom-made casket.**
- **Blocks 16 to 20** – Please provide discharge documents for each Active-Duty service period. **DD214 must show type of discharge (Honorable, General, etc.). Note: Member Copy 1, considered the “short form” often does not include characterization & is often insufficient.** Failure to provide the required service document(s) will delay application processing.
- **Block 21** – Indicate each of Veteran's applicable service branch.
- **Blocks 22 through 29** – A **Marriage Certificate** is required to qualify a spouse. *Please note: If both spouses are veterans, each may have their own burial plot, or the couple may be interred together in a single plot. In order to reserve a plot for a dual military couple the cemetery must simultaneously receive an application and supporting discharge documents for each individual along with a marriage certificate.*
- **Blocks 30 through 36** – Provide name and contact number for a **Personal Representative**. This individual must be someone other than a spouse who will carry out disposition instructions in the case of a single applicant, OR upon passing of both applicants. Check box 37 to designate the primary contact if a person other than the Veteran or spouse will serve as the family's primary point of contact.
- It is recognized that the Veteran or spouse may require assistance and a designated individual may complete the application on their behalf. The person completing the application should sign and date the form.
- In certain circumstances, dependent children may also be eligible for interment. Contact the Cemetery for specific information regarding eligibility.
- Cemetery staff will contact the applicant if documentation is incomplete. Expect an application determination letter to be mailed within 60 days. If you have not received written correspondence after 60 days, you may contact the cemetery. Please ensure your contact information remains current with the Cemetery.
- Provide copies of legal documents: Will(s), Power of Attorney, Letter of Testamentary, legal name changes.

For questions or further information, call (509) 299-6280. Mail or fax completed application to:

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Office Hours: 8am – 4pm Mon through Fri (closed weekends & holidays)

Visitation Hours: 8am – Sunset daily \*Note: Severe winter weather may limit access on weekends.

Website: [www.dva.wa.gov/cemetery](http://www.dva.wa.gov/cemetery)

To locate a gravesite go to <https://gravelocator.cem.va.gov/ngl/index.jsp> or on a mobile device <https://m.va.gov/gravelocator/>.

**REMINDER: VETERAN'S DISCHARGE DOCUMENT(S) MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION ALONG WITH A MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE TO QUALIFY A SPOUSE**

**Incomplete application packages will delay processing.**