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MEMORANDUM FOR RETIRED MARINES

The current TRICARE Retiree Dental Program will end 31 December 2018 and will be replaced by the Office of Personnel Management's Federal Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP).

Vision plans will also be available to eligible TRICARE beneficiaries through FEDVIP.

Beginning in November 2018, retirees and their family members will have their first opportunity to join the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) sponsored by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM). Vision coverage is new to TRICARE beneficiaries and may be very appealing, especially to families. FEDVIP will replace the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP) and will be available to those currently using the TRDP, as well as eligible retirees who are not enrolled in dental insurance. FEDVIP operates with an annual Open Season that takes place each year from mid-November to mid-December. In 2018, Open Season will run from 12 November through 10 December. **All TRICARE beneficiaries desiring coverage must make a specific choice of plan during the open season.**

There will not be an automatic transition for current TRDP enrollees. Once you have selected a plan, benefits begin on 1 January 2019. To be sure you don't miss important dates or details, you can sign up to receive FEDVIP email updates at **TRICARE.benefeds.com**.

FEDVIP provides a choice of popular dental and vi-

THE FEDERAL DENTAL and VISION INSURANCE PROGRAM



sion coverage plans from highly regarded brands. This means that retirees and their family members can select their preferred dental and/or vision provider network.

Several plans also

offer "high" and "standard" options so potential enrollees can choose coverage and premium rates that best match their needs.

The 3.3 million Federal employees and civilian retirees enrolled give the benefits offered under FEDVIP high marks for quality and value. In fact, the program continues to grow year after year. The choice of brand and network means you can ask your dentist what network he or she prefers, or perhaps see a dentist closer to home or work. The high and standard coverage options mean you will be able to choose a lower premium if you do not anticipate extensive dental work or eye care in an upcoming year. For those times when your family does need complex care, many FEDVIP plans have no waiting periods and generous coverage maximums.

As Open Season nears, OPM and its BENEFEDS contractor look forward to welcoming TRICARE beneficiaries. BENEFEDS is the government-authorized and OPM-sponsored contracted enrollment portal for FEDVIP. To prepare you for the transition and help you stay informed throughout the year, please sign up for alerts and notifications at **TRICARE.benefeds.com**.

Courtesy Tricare



The U.S. Office of Personnel Management has oversight of FEDVIP , a voluntary, enrollee-pay-all supplemental dental and vision program that offers eligible participants a choice between 10 dental and four vision carriers, and both high and standard plan options.

***** You don't need to take action now. *****

If you are currently enrolled in a TRDP plan, you will not be automatically enrolled in a FEDVIP plan for 2019. You must enroll during open season. To prevent a gap in dental coverage when your TRDP plan ends, you must select and enroll in a FEDVIP dental plan during the next Federal Benefits Open Season.

Open season is your annual opportunity to sign up for FEDVIP dental and vision coverage, and this year it runs from 12 November 2018 to 10 December 2018.

FEDVIP dental plans

- Aetna Dental
- Delta Dental
- Dominion Dental
- EmblemHealth
- FEP BlueDental
- GEHA
- Humana
- MetLife
- Triple-S Salud
- United Concordia Dental

FEDVIP vision plans

- Aetna Vision
- FEP BlueVision
- UnitedHealthcare Vision
- Vision Service Plan (VSP)

Note: Plan details and rates for the 2019 plan year will be available in fall 2018. You must use **BENEFEDS** to enroll or change enrollment in a FEDVIP plan. **BENEFEDS** is a secure enrollment website sponsored by OPM. If you do not have access to a computer, call 1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337), TTY number 1-877-889-5680 to enroll or change your enrollment or visit <https://tricare.benefeds.com/InfoPortal/indexAction> for more information.

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COMBAT RELATED SPECIAL COMPENSATION PAY

COMING THIS APRIL

R CLEVELAND — If you receive Combat-
S Related Special Compensation (CRSC) and
 have the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP), you may
C see a change in your net pay and statements
 starting in April.

Beginning with the SBP premiums in April 2018, DFAS will start deducting SBP premiums from CRSC when retired pay is not sufficient to cover the full amount of the premiums. This new deduction is due to a change in the law which requires DFAS to deduct SBP premiums from CRSC.

This change affects retirees who receive CRSC and currently pay SBP premiums via direct remittance. Retirees who currently have SBP premiums deducted from their Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) pay will not be affected.

This change will benefit retirees and their survivors by preventing a debt when a retiree forgets to pay the SBP premiums directly. **When SBP premiums are not paid during a retiree's lifetime, it creates a debt which must be repaid from the SBP annuity a survivor receives.**

DFAS will begin deducting SBP premiums from the April 2018 CRSC entitlement (paid on 1 May) for SBP premiums due in the month of April for all retirees with CRSC who are currently sending in their premium payments (through direct remittance). Retirees can also request to voluntarily have their SBP premiums deducted from CSRC prior to the April SBP premium.

More detailed information about the required deduction of SBP premiums from CRSC will be posted at <https://www.dfas.mil>.

If you want to have your SBP premium deducted

from your CRSC before the April SBP premium, please call the DFAS Customer Care Center at **(800) 321-1080** and tell them you want to have your SBP premium deducted from your CRSC pay. You will need to provide your full name, social security number, and a phone number where you can be reached during the day. You may also send a signed and dated letter to DFAS with this information.

Please note that the SBP premium deduction will be part of the garnishments total on your CRSC statement. Also, until April 2018, you will continue to receive an SBP premium bill, which will show the CRSC SBP premium deduction as a "prior payment received" once the deduction is processed.

Please check DFAS' website for more information regarding this change. Information will be updated there as more details are available.

Contact DFAS customer service at (800) 321-1080, Mon-Fri from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

New Online Form to Report the Death of a Retiree: You can now use a convenient online form to report the death of a retiree at

<https://go.usa.gov/xnzQ9>

CONTACTING DFAS: CALL BACK ASSIST AND THE SCHEDULED CALLBACK OPTION ARE AVAILABLE



Call Back Assist is a feature recently implemented at the Cleveland Customer Care Center to improve service to DFAS customers.

Have you ever heard this message when calling the Cleveland Care Center? “Welcome to Call Back Assist, press 1 to leave a callback request or press 2 to continue holding”. This message lets you know that the new Call Back Assist feature is available so you don’t have to wait on the phone as long.

During peak service hours (pay dates and during tax season) it can be a challenge for retirees and annuitants to reach a Customer Service Representative (CSR) at the Cleveland Customer Care Center. If you cannot wait in one of our call queues you may have to hang up and call back. But when you do, you lose your place in line and have to start their wait period all over. To reduce the frustration associated with this situation, the Cleveland Customer Care Center has added a new feature.

“Welcome to Call Back Assist, press 1 to leave a callback request or press 2 to continue holding”. This is the offer for the Customer Care Center Enterprise Solution Call Back Assist (CBA) feature. The CBA system activates anytime a customer experiences a wait time greater than one minute.

If you press “1”, you are requesting a callback instead of waiting on the phone. If you opt for a callback, you will need to enter the phone number that you wish to be called at. Then, you can hang up without losing your place in the call wait line. When it is your turn, the Call Back Assist system will call you and connect them to a CSR.

This program has been in place on a limited basis for some time. It has been so successful that the Cleveland Care Center recently expanded it to include the tier 2 level for Annuity, Garnishment, all Retired Pay, Marines, and Casualty call types. These are the complex calls where the CSR needs to do more research to resolve your inquiry.

When the Customer Care Center responds to a CBA, they will wait until you pick up, offer a greeting and

proceed normally like any other call. The Call Back Assist is a great feature that allows the Cleveland Customer Care Center to handle everyone’s call in turn without the inconvenience of making people wait on the phone for extended periods of time.

The Cleveland Customer Care Center also offers an option to obtain your most recent 1099R without speaking directly with a customer care representative. To get your most recent 1099R dial 1-800-321-1080, when you hear the menu press 1 for the self-service menu. If you are an annuitant press 1 and if you are retiree press 2 when prompted. Finally, press 1 again and you will be prompted to enter your social security number. You will then receive a copy of your 1099R in the mail within 7 to 10 business days.

SCHEDULED CALL BACK OPTION

This feature allows customers to select a time and date (up to one week in the future) to receive a return phone call from the Cleveland Customer Care Center when you need to speak to a representative for a more specialized answer.

Here’s how it works. When your call is transferred for a more specialized answer, and the customer care center is busy, you will hear a message giving the option to request a callback or to continue to hold for a representative. When you select the option to schedule a callback, the system will prompt you to select your current time of day. After that, you will enter the time you would like to receive a callback and the phone number to call. The system will verify the phone number before hanging up. It is important to know that the time selection will be a 30-minute range, not a specific time. If the selected time slot is not available, the system will ask you to choose from another available time slot. Once the request is complete, you can hang up. The system will call you during the scheduled time slot and connect you to one of our representatives.

Courtesy DFAS



2018 MILITARY RETIREE APPRECIATION DAYS



RETIREE APPRECIATION DAYS are held throughout the year at various installations across the United States and Europe. Retirees and their family members are offered information on benefits and services, along with opportunities to renew acquaintances and ID Cards.

Date	Location	Contact
12-May	Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD	410-306-2320
18-May	Ames, IA	515-956-2626/2625
18-May	JB Lewis-McChord, WA	253-966-5886
19-May	Ft Jackson, SC	803-751-6715
19-May	JBER Richardson, AK	907-384-3500
19-May	JB Langley-Eustis, VA	757-878-5884
19-May	Presidio of Monterey, CA	831-915-7342
15-Jun	Fort Buchanan, PR	787-707-2984
4-Aug	Fort Wainwright, AK	907-353-2095
16-Aug	Altoona, IA	515-240-4169
17-Aug	Rosemount, MN (Twin Cities)	763-516-2931
7-Sep	Ft McCoy, WI	608-388-3716
7-Sep	Ft Leonard Wood, MO	573-596-0947
20-Sep	Ft Sill, Ok	580-442-2645
20-Sep	Redstone Arsenal, AL	256-842-2421
21-Sep	Ft Belvoir, VA	703-806-4551
22-Sep	Little Rock AFB, AR	501-987-6095
22-Sep	Selfridge, MI	586-239-5580
22-Sep	Ft Campbell, KY	270-798-5280
28-Sep	Carlton, MN	608-388-3716
29-Sep	Ft Lee, VA	804-734-6555
29-Sep	Ft Bliss, TX	915-569-6233
6-Oct	Carlisle Barracks, PA	717-245-4501
12-Oct	USAG Vicenza, Italy	0039-0444-61-7747
12-Oct	Ft Knox, KY	502-624-1765
13-Oct	Rock Island, IL	563-445-0191
16-Oct	USAG-Bavaria	0964-183-8709
17-Oct	USAG-Ansbach	0981-183-3301
18-Oct	Rheiland-Pfalz/Ramstein	0631-411-8838
20-Oct	USAG BENELUX-Brussels	0032-65-44-7267
20-Oct	Schofield Barracks, HI	808-655-1514
20-Oct	Ft Riley, KS	785-239-3320
20-Oct	Ft Polk, LA	337-531-0402
20-Oct	Camp Humphreys, Korea	315-753-8839
25-Oct	USAG-Stuttgart	07031-15-3442
26-Oct	Ft Meade, MD	301-677-9603
27-Oct	Ft Hamilton, NY	718-630-4552
2-Nov	Ft Benning, GA	706-545-1805
3-Nov	JBPH Hickam AFB	808-474-0032

Experience camaraderie and esprit de corps at a Retiree Appreciation Day. Find related events at: http://www.hostmtb.org/RADs_and_Other_Retiree-Veterans_Events.html

Important Payment Changes

College-Age Child Annuitants Need to Know



INDIANAPOLIS — One option available for retirees to provide financially for their children is to elect the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP). SBP for children is calculated and paid differently than for a spouse. The total amount paid is the same, but where the whole amount would go to the member's spouse, instead that same amount is divided equally among all eligible children.

An eligible dependent child under the plan must be:

- A legal child under the age of 18
- Unmarried
- If older than 18, enrolled in an accredited college or university (children enrolled in higher education are eligible until they reach age 22 or leave school)
- Incapacitated or disabled children are eligible under special rules

DFAS has implemented a new procedure for reapportioning Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) funds for child annuitants. The new procedure was prompted by an opinion issued by the Office of General Counsel (OGC). Under the new procedure, a dependent child's share will not be reapportioned until evidence is received that the child's eligibility has ended.

To receive continuing SBP funds, a child annuitant who is over 18 and attending school must submit a Child Annuitant's School Certification (DD Form 2788), certifying their full-time attendance in school during the term. If the school certification for a child annuitant over the age of 18 is not received within 60 days of the last day of the school term, the child annuitant's account is suspended and the portion of the funds due the annuitant are held.

Previously, if the child annuitant did not submit proof of eligibility, six months after the account was suspended the funds were reapportioned and paid equally to the eligible siblings of the child annuitant. Now, when a child annuitant's account is suspended, the funds will be held until the child is proven eligible or ineligible.

A child annuitant can permanently lose eligibility to SBP if they get married, join the military, turn 22 years old, or pass away.

This change in procedure will reduce debts created for child annuitants who were paid money that was due to a sibling.

New To myPay?

This is guidance on **NEW** accounts established in myPay and the delivery method of temporary passwords for new accounts.



Retirees: myPay retired pay accounts are established on the 2nd of each month for new retirees. You can continue to access myPay using the login ID and Password established when you were on Active/Reserve duty. If you have never established a login ID / password, click 'Forgot or Need a Password'. The password will be sent to your mailing address on record with DFAS Retired and Annuitant Pay. Upon receipt of your temporary password select the 'Create an Account' link to establish your login ID and permanent password. If they do not have your current address, please contact R&A Pay to update your address before requesting a new temporary password.

Gray Area Retirees: A 'Gray Area' retiree is a Reservist who has met the 20-year qualifying service requirement for entitlement to receive retired pay, pending attainment of the statutory age.

If you are a 'Gray Area' retiree and have reached the statutory age, and do not have a myPay password, please click 'Forgot or Need a Password' on the myPay home page. Upon receipt of your temporary password select the 'Create an Account' link to establish your login ID and permanent password.

If you have not met the statutory age you will not have a myPay account. An error message "your payroll is not associated with this service" indicates that your retired pay account has not been established. New accounts are established in myPay on the 2nd of each month. If you feel that your retired pay account should be established please contact Retired Pay at 1-800-321-1080.

QUESTIONS? Contact DFAS.

The DFAS retired military and annuitants website at <https://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary.html>, provides additional information and ways to contact Retired and Annuitant Pay including self-service options or by phone (800) 321-1080.



Wounded being evacuated as 1st Battalion, 5th Marines take the Citadel, Hue, February 1968. Photo by John Olson.

Vietnam's Tet Offensive: 50 Years Later

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Tet Offensive, one of the largest military campaigns and a turning point of the Vietnam War.

In late January 1968, during the lunar new year (or "Tet") holiday, North Vietnamese and communist Viet Cong forces launched a coordinated attack against targets across South Vietnam. The Tet Offensive played an important role in weakening U.S. public support for the war in Vietnam, even though the U.S. military inflicted severe casualties on the enemy.



Marines of 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines clearing the streets of Hue, February 1968. Photo by Sgt. W. F. Dickman.



Marines of Co "A", 1st Bn., 1st Marines, participate in a search and clear mission on the south side of the Perfume River Hue, 8 February 1968. Photo by Sgt Atwell.

On exhibit:

April 6–May 25, 2018 at the [Historical Society of Palm Beach County](#), West Palm Beach, FL

June 16–October 20, 2018 at the [Upcountry History Museum](#), Greenville, SC

November 10, 2018-January 7, 2019 at the [West Baton Rouge Museum](#), Port Allen, LA

September 1-October 20, 2019 at the [Temple Railroad and Heritage Museum](#), Temple, TX

A Traveling Exhibit from the National Archives **Picturing Nam: U.S. Military Photography of the Vietnam War** Photographs are a powerful part of how we remember the Vietnam War. Some of the most iconic photographs of the war were taken by civilian photojournalists working for newspapers, magazines, or the wire services. But there were also military photographers who served in Vietnam. These service members shot hundreds of thousands of photographs that documented American Armed Forces activities. Their assignments sent them everywhere—the jungles and swamps, forward bases, hospital ships, rivers, and air bases—and covered every aspect of the conflict. Most of these photographs have rarely been seen, but they are now accessible through the National Archives. These unforgettable images give an intimate view of the war and those who fought it.



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The Secretary of the Navy established the Retiree Council to consider issues of significant importance to retired military personnel and their family members, to facilitate interaction between Department of Navy leadership and the Navy and Marine Corps retired community, and to facilitate participation in other aspects of the Retired Activities Program.


The Council may review the effectiveness of current programs and policies affecting retirees and may make recommendations concerning improvements to privileges, benefits, assistance to retirees, quality of life, and any other matters relating to retired personnel.

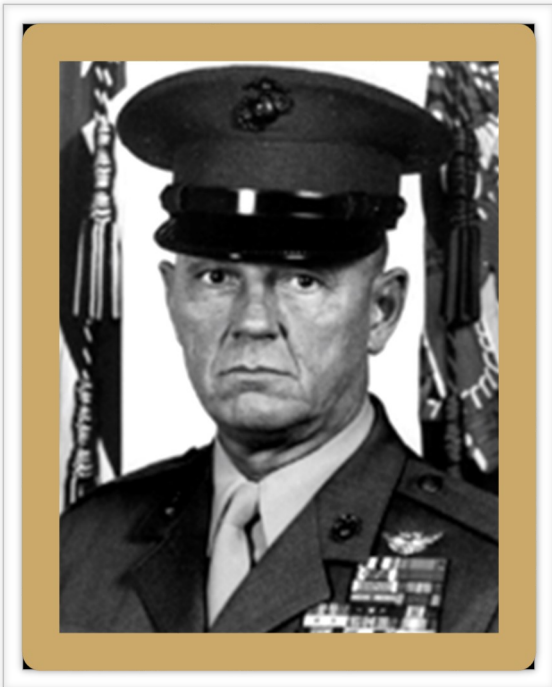
SECNAV Instruction 5420.169J details Council membership and responsibilities and broadly empowers the Council to make recommendations on any matter relating to retired personnel.



Sergeant Major Robert Cleary

10th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps dies at 86





Sergeant Major Robert E. Cleary, the 10th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, died 11 February 2018, in Virginia Beach, VA. He was 86 years of age.

Cleary was the last Korean War veteran to serve as Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, a post he assumed on June 28, 1983.

Born in Tewksbury, Massachusetts, in 1931, Cleary enlisted in the Marine Corps on 24 October 1951. His extensive career after recruit training took him to Korea, and three tours in Vietnam. Sergeant Major Cleary served as a Battalion, Squadron and Division Sergeant Major, as well as the Marine Security Guard Battalion Sergeant Major and the Personnel Sergeant Major before assuming his duties as the 10th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps.

His personal decorations included the Silver Star Medal; three Air Medals; Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V," and gold star in lieu of a second award; Navy Achievement Medal; two Purple Hearts; and the Combat Action Ribbon.

REUNIONS

YEAR OF THE REUNION



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HMH-772 all detachments CWO-4 Don Geesman USMC (Ret.) GySgt Pat Carroll	28 Apr 2018		marinegeesam@gmail.com patsinfo@comcast.net
2d Bn 4th Marines, Battle of Dai Do 50th Anniversary Frank/Betty Valdez	30 Apr-2 May 2018	(714) 306-2329	fxala@hotmail.com
The Marine Embassy Guard Association (MEGA) Max Wix	3-7 May 2018	(703) 521-1900	maxwix@aol.com https://embassymarine.org/2018-mega-reunion/
2nd Force Recon Co Assoc. Col Phil Smith USMC (Ret.)	16-19 May 2018	(504) 498-0733	jarhed73@yahoo.com https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdDikul9b-AkGkJzV_aUB-h7nEZyxb1hghAjVtaRrtG8CQIQ/viewform?c=0&w=1
MCAS Rose Garden Nam Phong Thailand 1972-73 VMFA-115, VMFA-232, VMA(AW)-533, VMGR-152, 3rd Bn., 9th Marines and supporting units welcome to attend. John Binfield	17-19 May 2018		jppumper7273@yahoo.com
Radio Bn Reunion Lee Ahr	18-20 May 2018		http://www.facebook.com/USMC2018sanantonio losttexas99@yahoo.com
Force Reconnaissance Assn. Major Paul Clifford	May 2018	(206) 853-2878	paul.clifford@usmc.mil
RVN Era Marine Aerial Observers	29 May-1 June 2018		tmoriarty@fastmail.com wtmundt@msn.com
TBS "H" 8-68 Sam Decoteau	6-10 June 2018		decoteau@aol.com
48th OCS 6-68 TBS Terry Arndt Marty DeVasier	6-10 June 2018		tdarndt2@mac.com mmd922@comcast.net

The "Year of the Reunion" website (<http://www.usmc-mccs.org/reunion/>)
Marines organize reunions and announce upcoming events.

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ORGANIZATION/POC	DATE	PHONE	EMAIL/WEB
Marine Corps League Dept of IL Conv Mike Ruffner	15-17 June 2018	(847) 906-3364	ruffnermb@aol.com
Fox Co 2nd Bn 9th Mar (Vietnam) Walley Nalepa	21-23 June 2018	(708) 340-5372	wallynalepa@yahoo.com
3d Platoon, TBS "H" Co 8-87 Col Nancy Springer USMC (Ret.)	22-24 June 2018	(760) 845-6119	nancy.a.springer.nancy@aol.com
Kilo Co., 3rd Bn, 26th Marines 50th Reunion Vietnam Tom Hickenbotham	11-14 July 2018		rhickinb@comcast.net
TBS Class of 5-68	12-15 July 2018		Quintonworthams@gmail.com Quintoncal@aol.com
Fox 2nd Bn 7th Marines and Hotel 2nd Marines 1stBn (65-66) Roy Gryn	15-20 July 2018	(352) 638-2872	boatmanron@gmail.com
MASS-3 Vietnam Craig Hullinger	17-19 July 2018		craighullinger@gmail.com https://mass-3.blogspot.com
Nat'l Montford Point Marines Ron Johnson	25-29 July 2018	(504) 202-8552	www.montfordpointmarines.org
MACS 9 Thomas Boyle	8-11 Aug 2018	(319) 631-1912	tboyle621@aol.com
Marine Corps Mustang Assoc. (MCMA) LtCol Richard J. Sullivan USMC (Ret.)	8-12 Aug 2018	(508) 954-2262	sul824@verizon.net http://www.marinecorpsmustang.org
Marine DET, FASTCo B NWS Marine Det, Marine Barracks (Navy Mine Depot) Marine DET, MCSFCo Yorktown David Greene	10-12 Aug 2018	(585) 738-0640	marinebarracksyorktown@gmail.com
1st Bn 9th Marines Assoc. Doc Brian Granvall	15-19 Aug 2018		bgranvall@gmail.com
VMF/VMA-311 All Eras Jim Galchick USMC (Ret.)	22-26 Aug 2018	(330) 337-9383	jgalchick@neo.rr.com ymfvma311reunion.org

The Marine Corps Reunions home page offers some great planning tips and suggestions. Go to <http://www.usmc-mccs.org/reunion/> to get more information on how to organize your reunion and lists of upcoming reunions.

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Subic Bay Marines AJ Allen	22-25 Aug 2018	(208) 941-3345	aj@mikebrowngroup.com
Women Marines Assoc. 30th Biennial Convention and Conference	30 Aug-3 Sep 2018	(540) 446-6231	convention@womenmarines.org
All years of Viet Nam Veterans for Marines & Corpsmen of Lima Co, 3rd Bn, 7thMar Jim Casper Ron Wieglanda	10-14 Sep 2018	(484) 955-8442 (503) 369-7185	usmc0311_5@msn.com rhwieglanda@gmail.com
1st Bn 3rd Marines Don Bumgarner	11-16 Sep 2018	(562) 897-2437	dbumc13usmc@verizon.net
26th Mar Assn (Rgt, MEU & Supporting) Sonny Hollub	20-23 Sep 2018	(512) 825-4730	sonnyusmc@gmail.com
Eng Assn (MCEA) Charlie Dismore	26-29 Sep 2018	(512) 394-9333	www.marcorengasn.org
Marine Corps Engineer Assoc. (MCEA)	27-29 Sep 2018		cdismore@charliedismore.com http://www.marcorengasn.org
Navy-Marine Corps Retired Judge Advocate Assoc. 36th reunion BGen David Hague	5-7 Oct 2018		david.hagueusmc@gmail.com
2nd Bn 8th Marines 1990-1995 1stSgt Cliff Conrad	17-21 Oct 2018		mc99992004@hotmail.com
Raging Bulls (Beirut & Grenada 1982- 1984) Doug Doerr	19-21 Oct 2018	(703) 472-4615	dougrdoerr@gmail.com
TBS Class (10-68) Lima Co Mike McMahon	Oct 2018 (planning stages)	(210) 240-4321	mikeamcmahon@gmail.com
USMC A4 Skyhawkers Mark Williams	1-4 Nov 2018		rogerwilco14@gmail.com
Basic School Class 3-67 41st Officer Candidate Class Maj Fred Lash USMC (Ret.)	15-18 Nov 2018	(703) 644-5132	fredanddonnalash@verizon.net
VMFA-212 'Lancers' 1975-81 and Beyond JD Loucks	3-5 May 2019		JDLoucks@aol.com VMFA212Reunion@aol.com
VMA(AW) 225-50th Reunion Danang, Vietnam 1969-1971 Maurice Chevalier	15-19 May 2019		Mochev@twc.com



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COLONEL

BRADEN, RUSSELL J. Jun 91/Feb 18
 JOHNSON, JAMES L. Jun 02/Nov 17
 MARRA, FRANCESCO Feb 10/Dec 17
 MCCARTHY, JR., ALBERT J. Jul 89/Nov 17
 MCDONOUGH, PATRICK W. Jun 09/Feb 18

LIEUTENANT COLONEL

ADKINS, SIDNEY C. Dec 82/Jan 18
 ASANOVICH, ELIE M. Oct 82/May 17
 HARLAN, GALE Dec 70/Dec 17
 HEINZERLING, JR., CONRAD W. Sep 82/Jan 18
 JENNINGS, STEPHEN J. Nov 78/Jan 18
 MCCARTHY, THOMAS L. Feb 08/Jan 18
 ROACH, JAMES L. May 80/Dec 17
 SULLIVAN, WILLIAM M. Aug 72/Dec 17
 WYATT, DOUGLAS D. Jul 94/Jan 18

MAJOR

BRIXEY, PERRY T. Jul 61/Jan 18
 CATE, BRADLEY F. Jul 77/Feb 18
 CRAIG, JOHN Feb 62/Oct 17
 EDDY, JOHN L. Jul 76/Oct 17
 JENKINS, LUTHER B. Aug 09/Nov 17
 LORAINE, JR., JACQUES B. Sep 69/Jan 18
 MENDEZ, CHRISTOBOL H. Apr 98/Nov 17
 WILSON, DONALD T. Sep 75/Oct 17

CAPTAIN

BALLANCE, ORVAL C. Nov 73/May 17
 BARTLEY, CHARLES M. Feb 78/Oct 17
 JONES, FLOYD S. Sep 75/Jan 18
 MANIFOLD, DALE W. Dec 69/Feb 18
 MAXIK, BERNARD J. Jun 77/ Apr 16
 UNGER, JAMES J. Jul 74/Jan 18
 WHITE, BILLY D. May 80/Feb 17
 WILLIAMS, IRVING D. Jun 70/Oct 17

FIRST LIEUTENANT

DAVIS, ERNEST M. Mar 68/Jan 18

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER

BROWN, MARVIN D. CWO4 Jul 99/May 17
 FROST, JACK A. CWO4 Jan 89/Dec 17
 PAGE, RICHARD R. CWO4 Dec 81/Feb 18
 PENDARVIS, ROBERT H. CWO4 Nov 81/Dec 17

SERGEANT MAJOR

BOIRE, MAURICE W. Oct 67/Jan 18
 CLEARY, ROBERT E. Sep 87/Feb 18
 CZERNIK, EDWARD J. Apr 80/Jan 18
 MEMMER, HOWARD J. Jul 70/Jan 18
 MUNDEN, FRANK C. Nov 98/Jan 18

MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT

ANDERSON, DARYL A. Dec 99/Feb 18
 DOSSCHE, RICHARD H. Mar 81/Jan 18
 HOPKINS, JOHN B. Jan 89/Dec 17
 MERCHANT, JOHN E. Nov 95/Feb 18
 OLIVER, RAFAEL c. Feb 86/Jul 18
 RAMONES, FELIPE R. Aug 77/Feb 18
 SEWARD, RICHARD R. Sep 75/Oct 17
 SIMON, JR., JEAN A. Apr 07/Oct 17
 STORTZ, ROBERT C. Apr 80/Dec 17
 VELLUCCI, JIM J. Aug 91/Nov 17

FIRST SERGEANT

BUSK, ROBERT F. Aug 72/Jan 18
 STEWARD, DWAYNE Apr 84/Jan 18
 TAFT, DELANO E. May 70/Nov 17
 WILLIAMS, BEASLEY Apr 92/Jan 18

MASTER SERGEANT

BRYAN, MARVIN Oct 81/Oct 17
 BURKE, JOHN E. Nov 84/Oct 17
 CLARK, RICHARD E. Jul 73/Sep 17
 COLLINS, JR., EMMITT W. Sep 82/Oct 17
 DICKEY, ROBERT W. May 70/Jan 18
 GARBER, DANIEL D. Mar 85/Jan 18
 KEGLEY, HENRY M. JR., Dec 98/ Dec 17
 LEE, LONNIE L. Oct 81/Jan 18



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LONG, JOHNNIE A. Jan 91/Jan 17
 LYON, DARRELL W. Sep 92/Jan 18
 MAGRO, GEORGE Apr 01/Feb 18
 MARTINEZ, JR., WILLIAM Sep 91/Jan 18
 MOJEAN, RICHARD L. Jun 72/Oct 17
 PAGAN, CHARLES E. May 76/Jan 18
 SIMS, JOE F. Oct 88/Jan 18
 WALTERS, MELVIN W. Aug 94/Dec 17
 WEAVER, BOBBY D. Dec 70/Mar 17

GUNNERY SERGEANT

APPLETON, JR., CHARLES W. Feb 73/Jan 18
 BAUER, CHARLES F. Apr 81/Jan 18
 BISSETT, JAMES R. Jun 80/Feb 18
 BOOTHBY, CARROLL G. Jan 72/Sep 17
 CARPENTER, JAMES M. Aug 95/Feb 18
 CRANDALL, DONALD E. Jan 73/Jan 18
 DARBY, DEWEY A. Mar 73/Jan 14
 DEANGELIS, ROBERT A. Dec 74/Oct 17
 DICKINSON, JR., JAMES K. May 73/Dec 17
 DUCLOS, BRUCE R. Jun 90/Jan 18
 GLOWANIAK, JR., JOSEPH Apr 77/Jan 18
 GREEN, JR., CALVIN E. Aug 92/Nov 17
 HIBNER, ALAN J. Dec 97/May 17
 HUNT, VIRGIL D. Jul 75/Jan 18
 JOSIF, PAUL E. Feb 88/Jan 18
 KAMMLER, AUGUSTUS J. Oct 72/Jan 18
 KUYKENDALL, RONALD D. Sep 77/Dec 17
 LANDREVILLE, ALFRED C. Jun 63/Jan 18
 LEE, WILLIAM T. May 91/Dec 17
 LOVELACE, MICHAEL E. May 96/Jan 17
 LOFINK, W. F. Oct 68/Dec 17
 MASON, FRED A. Jan 77/Jan 18
 MATTOX, WESLEY P. Dec 73/Oct 17
 REYES, JOE C. Mar 90/Nov 17
 SHOMPER, PAUL S. Jul 78/Feb 18
 WATSON, HARRY G. May 72/Nov 17
 WILLIAMS, STEVEN D. Nov 95/Feb 15
 ZAVALA, RICARDO May 80/Jan 18

STAFF SERGEANT

BARNES, HERBERT Aug 66/Oct 17
 CHAREST, JR., ALFRED J. Aug 66/Feb 18
 FILLPOT, DENNIS G. Dec 90/Jan 18
 HOUSER, NORRIS F. Oct 66/Sep 17
 INGRAM, JOE E. Jul 83/Jan 18
 JONES, ROBERT J. Aug 01/Jan 18
 MIKELL, JOHN T. Jun 97/Jan 18
 MITCHAM, THOMAS A. Apr 83/Dec 17
 NEFF, WILLIAM R. Aug 73/Feb 18
 SCHELL, JR., EMIL Feb 65/Jan 18
 STERETT, WILLIAM B. Jun 00/Jan 18
 WATSON, ROBERT W. Apr 73/Jan 18

SERGEANT

BAGWELL, GERALD E. Aug 70/Jan 18
 HALE, PAUL L. Jul 69/Dec 17
 MAZAC, ROBERT A. Sep 76/Feb 18

CORPORAL

DIFFIE, SAMUEL B. Nov 14/Jan 18
 FLODA, ANTHONY J. Apr 69/Jul 17
 HOGUE, THOMAS W. Nov 67/Jan 18
 HUNT, JAMES H. Aug 74/Jan 18

LANCE CORPORAL

BURGE, CHAD A. Jul 99/Jan 18

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

CLARKE, ERNEST H. Mar 71/Jul 17

PRIVATE

PENZA, THOMAS F. Feb 55/Jan 18

Armed Forces Retirement Home Now Accepting Applications for Residency

Affordable independent living communities in Washington, D.C. and Gulfport, MS

The Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) – with locations in Washington, D.C., and Gulfport, MS is now accepting applications for residency.

The Home, which offers affordable independent living in modern facilities, has immediate openings in Washington, D.C. and a waiting time of about 20 months in Gulfport, MS.

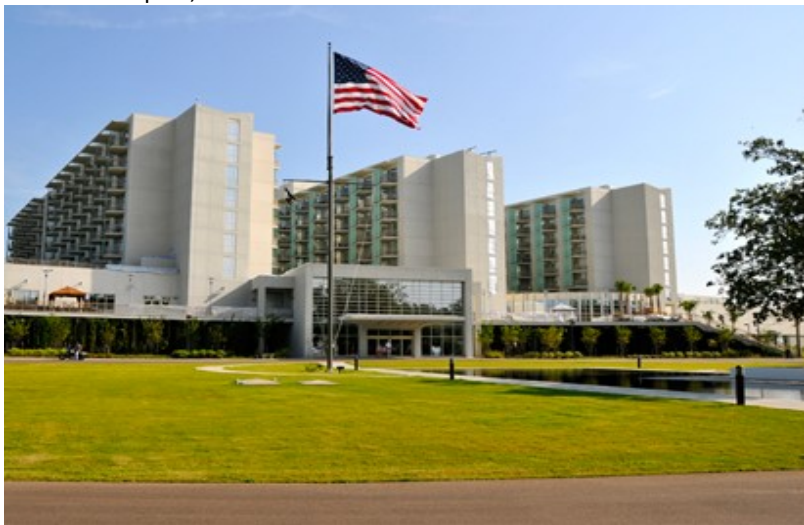
AFRH is fully accredited by The Joint Commission and the Commission on Continuing Care Retirement Communities. Veterans must be able to live independently upon admission to the AFRH. This means being able to care for personal needs, attend a dining facility for meals, and keep all medical appointments.

Higher levels of care are available later for residents – including assisted living, long-term care, and memory support.

85% of residents spent a career in the military, retiring honorably in the enlisted ranks following 20 or more years of service to our Nation. Military veterans from each service branch live at the Home. The largest group represented served during the Korea and Vietnam eras.

In Washington, DC, AFRH offers residents a scenic, wooded campus just minutes from downtown - home to museums, monuments, and a host of entertainment, sports and other cultural options. Amenities include a nine-hole golf course and driving range, walking paths, stocked fishing ponds, and modern recreation facilities.

AFRH-Gulfport, MS



In Gulfport, MS, AFRH offers residents a beautiful view of the Gulf of Mexico, with an outdoor swimming pool, walking path to the beach, reflecting pool, art studio and modern media room.

Many veterans choose to live at AFRH for the superior medical, dental and vision care offered, with amenities that include: private rooms with a shower, cable TV, three delicious daily meals prepared by licensed nutritionists in a modern dining facility, a wellness program and deluxe fitness center, movie theater, bowling center and hobby shops.

Services include recreational activities and resident day trips, a full-service library, barber shop, 24 / 7 security, beauty salon, computer center, mailboxes, banking services, campus PX/BX and off-campus shuttle and public transportation.

Persons are eligible to become AFRH residents who:

- Served as members of the Armed Forces, at least one-half of whose service was not active commissioned service (other than as a warrant officer or limited-duty officer)

The following categories are considered. Veterans (**male or female**) who are:

- 60 years of age or over; and were discharged or released under honorable conditions with 20 or more years of active service.
- or
- Are determined to be incapable of earning a livelihood because of a service-connected disability incurred in the line of duty in the Armed Forces.
- or
- Served in a war theater during a time of war declared by Congress or were eligible for hostile fire special pay; were released from service in the Armed Forces under honorable conditions; and are determined to be incapable of earning a livelihood because of injuries, disease or disability.

Those who served in a women’s component of the Armed Forces before June 12, 1948 and are determined to be eligible for admission because of compelling personal circumstances will also be considered.

Married couples are welcome, but both must be eligible in their own right.

Veterans who have been convicted of a felony or are not free of drug, alcohol, or psychiatric problems are ineligible to become a resident.

For further information or to request an application, visit: <https://www.afrh.gov/apply> or contact the Office of Public Affairs at: admissions@afrh.gov 1-800-422-9988

Article Courtesy of Christopher C. Kelly, PAO, AFRH

The Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) is an independent Agency in the Executive branch of the US Government. The AFRH provides residences and related services for certain retired and former members of the US Armed Forces (24 US Code 10, Subchapter 411). The Chief Operating Officer (COO) is the head of the Agency and its communities and is subject to the authority, direction and control of the Secretary of Defense. The origins of the AFRH go back to the 19th century. The US Navy first established the US Naval Asylum in 1831, and then the US Army established the US Soldiers’ Home in 1851. In 1991, the two distinct Homes merged as one: the AFRH.

2018 Retired & Annuitant Pay Dates

<u>Entitlement Month</u>	<u>Retiree Pay Date</u>	<u>Annuitant Pay Date</u>
April 2018	1 May 2018	1 May 2018
May 2018	1 June 2018	1 June 2018
June 2018	29 June 2018	2 July 2018
July 2018	1 August 2018	1 August 2018
August 2018	31 August 2018	4 September 2018
September 2018	1 October 2018	1 October 2018
October 2018	1 November 2018	1 November 2018
November 2018	30 November 2018	3 December 2018
December 2018	December 31, 2018	January 2, 2019

Your Military Identification Card

Two Forms of Identification Are Now Required:

To replace or renew your military ID card, two forms of identification are required:

1. **A VALID PHOTO ID.** Acceptable photo identification includes a driver's license, valid military ID card, valid passport or permanent resident alien card. All photo IDs must be current; expired photo IDs are not accepted.
2. **A SECONDARY ID.** A secondary ID may include one of the photo IDs listed above or a Social Security card (not a Medicare card), a voter registration card, birth certificate, or student ID if you are a college student. To avoid delays, call your nearest ID card center for hours of operation and availability.

Military ID Cards for Family Members:

Indefinite military ID cards are now issued to eligible family members who are 75 or older.

The 2007 National Defense Authorization Act authorized the issuance of indefinite military ID cards for incapacitated dependent children over 21. To qualify for an indefinite ID card, a determination of permanent incapacitation must be made by the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery and a current financial dependency determination (over 50%) is required. **A financial redetermination will also be required every four years.**

Dependent wards, parents and parents-in-law, including those over 75 with permanent military ID cards) will also require a financial redetermination every four years.

Full-time students over 21, may be eligible for military ID card benefits until 23 provided they are enrolled full-time in a college or university and are dependent on the member for over 50% of their financial support. It is the service member's responsibility to ensure eligible family members are updated in DEERS and to notify DEERS of any changes in eligibility. For more information, call MMSR-6 at 1-800-336-4649 or (703) 784-9310.

The Retired Marine's Military ID Card:

When a military service member retires, the ID card issued will have an expiration date on the front and back, coinciding with his/her 65th birthday. ID cards will be replaced if they are lost, stolen, or damaged; they will also be replaced for a name change due to marriage, divorce, or to replace an older version of the ID card. If applicable, divorce decrees and/or marriage certificates may be required. A retired member's ID card must also be replaced when turning 65 and enrolling in Medicare Part B. With Medicare Part B enrollment, a retired Marine is automatically enrolled in TRI-CARE for Life, which will require updating the medical eligibility dates on the back of the ID card. If the dates on the back of your ID card have expired, replace the ID card (and have the Medicare Part B card with you when updating the military ID card).

Eligibility for a Military ID Card By Mail

If you are requesting to have a military identification card by mail, you must have a notary's signature on the back of the photograph. According to Air Force Instruction 36-3026 (17 June 2009):

PORTRAIT-STYLE PHOTOGRAPHS, 8X10 OR 5X7, REQUIRE SIGNATURE NOTARIZATION ON THE BACK AND INCLUDE WEIGHT, HEIGHT, EYE COLOR, AND HAIR COLOR.

You must live more than 300 miles from a military ID card center. Include a statement why you are unable to travel to an ID card center. Submit a copy of your current military ID card (front and back), a photocopy of your driver's license, and either your birth certificate, or Social Security card, to HQMC (MFP-1), 2008 Elliot Road, Quantico, VA 22134-5013.

ID CARD SITE (RAPIDS) LOCATOR: <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rs/>

USMC Retired Services Offices

MCAS Yuma Arizona

Tony Steen, (928) 269-3159
 Fax: (928) 928-269-3723
anthony.steen@usmc.mil

MCAGCC Twentynine Palms California

Philip C. Cisneros, (760) 830-7550

MCAS Miramar California

(858) 577-4806

MCB Camp Pendleton California

Erica Shaw, (760) 725-5704
erica.shaw@usmc.mil

Freddie Darnell, (760) 725-6090
freddie.darnell@usmc.mil

MCLB Barstow California

Patrick Rewerts, (760) 577-6533
patrick.rewerts@usmc.mil

MCRD San Diego California

Ray P. Bromley, (619) 524-5301
retiredmcrdsd@yahoo.com

MCLB Albany Georgia

Raymond Breaux, (229) 639-5278
breauxr@usmc-mccs.org

MCB Kaneohe Bay Hawaii

Jeffrey Esposito, (808) 257-7795
jeffrey.esposito@usmc.mil

MCAS Iwakuni Japan

Gary K. Saiki, 011-81-827-79-5762
gks20142000@yahoo.com or

Robert Bugawan
rbugawan@yahoo.com or
robert.bugawan@usmc.mil

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 011-81-611-745-3159
garciab@okinawa.usmc-mccs.org

MCB Camp Lejeune North Carolina

Luis J. Alers-Dejesus, (910) 451-0287
 Fax: (910) 451-0677
luis.alers@usmc.mil

MCAS Cherry Point North Carolina

(252) 466-5548

MCAS/MCRD South Carolina

(843) 228-4574

MCB Henderson Hall Virginia

(703) 693-9197

MCB Quantico Virginia Kimberly Bennett,

(703) 784-3351
kimberly.bennett@usmc.mil

HOW TO REPORT AN ADDRESS CHANGE

RETIRED MARINES:

Report your address change to DFAS at 1-800-321-1080 or MMSR-6 at 1-800-715-0968. my Pay is another option to accomplish this at <https://mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.aspx>.

ANNUITANTS (SBP RECIPIENTS):

Report your address change to DFAS!

MMSR-6 CANNOT UPDATE ANNUITANT ADDRESS CHANGES

Call DFAS at **1-800-321-1080**. Your correct mailing address ensures receipt of this newsletter and any other correspondence from DFAS or HQMC.

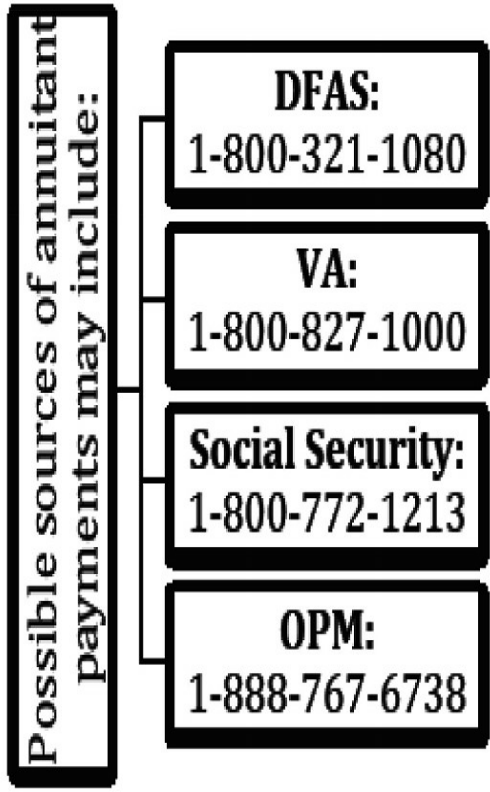
Steps to Take When an Annuitant Dies

ELIGIBILITY FOR SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN ANNUITY PAY ENDS WITH THE DEATH OF THE ANNUITANT (BENEFICIARY)

Prompt reporting of a deceased military annuitant's death can help avoid delay and possible financial hardship to surviving family members or executors, who will be required to return any unearned payments of the decedent's annuity pay. Follow these steps to report the death of an annuitant:

1. If the survivor is an SBP annuitant, call DFAS at 1-800-321-1080 to report the death and stop annuity pay.
2. Mail or fax a copy of the annuitant's death certificate to:

DFAS - U.S. MILITARY ANNUITANT PAY
8899 E. 56th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46249-1300
Fax: 1-800-982-8459



3. Inform any financial institutions receiving payments about the death of the annuitant (Provide a copy of the death certificate when it becomes available).
4. If applicable, contact the following agencies/departments immediately to report the death:
 - **Social Security Administration:** 1-800-772-1213
www.ssa.gov
 - **Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System:**
1-800-538-9552
 - **Department of Veterans Affairs:** 1-800-827-1000
(annuitants in receipt of Dependency and Indemnity Compensation) www.va.gov

If you believe you are the victim of an error or injustice which affects your military record, you may apply for a Correction of Military Records by completing and submitting a DD Form 149, Application for Correction of Military Record. Examples of correction include: upgraded discharge, promotions, retired pay, household goods, pay date change, bonus, and MGIB programs. DFAS pays military members when the Board for Corrections of Naval Records (BCNR) rule in their favor. If you received a decision from the BCNR and you do not agree with it, write the Board and explain your reasoning. Reference the appropriate address on page 2 of the DD Form 149. If you would like to check the status of your request contact the BCNR directly at (703) 604-6884 or 6885 (Navy/Marine Corps). If you believe DFAS paid you incorrectly for your Correction of Record, provide documentation with a handwritten signature explaining why you are protesting the amount to:

DFAS-IN
 Dept. 3330, Attn:: COR/Claims
 8899 East 56th Street
 Indianapolis, IN 46249-3300
 DFAS Inquiry Line: (317) 212-6167

Steps to Take When a Retired Marine Dies

1. **REPORT THE DEATH TO DFAS at 1-888-332-7411 to stop retirement pay to avoid indebtedness.** If the retired Marine was receiving pay from another source due to a disability from the VA or civil service retirement from the Office of Personnel Management, contact that agency to return the payment. If you fail to do this, you will have to repay it later. You may also report the death online at www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/forms.html. Additional information from DFAS is available at www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/survivors/Retiree-death.html.

NOTE: DFAS will forward a confirmed death listing to Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps (MMSR-6) for inclusion in an upcoming issue of this newsletter for the Taps column.
2. **REPORT SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN ELECTION, if applicable.** Designated annuitants will receive notification from DFAS if the deceased retired Marine elected SBP. If you are uncertain of whether an election was made, call DFAS at 1-800-321-1080.
3. **UPDATE YOUR MILITARY ID CARD.** Your status has changed, and as the survivor of a deceased Marine, your ID card must be updated to reflect it due to the Marine's death. Access your nearest ID site at www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsi or call HQMC (MMSR-6) at 1-800-336-4649 or (703) 784-9310 to obtain the three sites closest to you.
4. **NOTIFY THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION at 1-800-SSA-1213 (www.ssa.gov)** to apply for the \$255 death benefit, *if applicable*.
5. **CONTACT THE VA at 1-800-827-1000 FOR BURIAL AND OTHER VA BENEFITS, such as VA disability payments.** While the VA does not provide burial benefits for annuitants, the annuitant may be eligible for burial in a military cemetery. A copy of the sponsor's DD 214 is required. Visit www.va.gov for more information.

ADDITIONAL AGENCIES PROVIDING AID AND ASSISTANCE TO SURVIVING SPOUSES



Arlington National Cemetery: (703) 607-8000
 Gold Star Wives of America: 1-888-751-6350, www.goldstarwives.org
 Military Funeral Honors: 1-866-826-3628 or (703) 432-9524
 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: (703) 696-4904, www.nmcrrs.org
 National Military Families Association: 1-800-260-0218, www.nmfa.org
 Society of Military Widows: 1-800-842-3451, www.militarywidows.org/home.aspx
 Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors: 1-800-959-8277, www.taps.org



SOME THINGS YOU WILL NEED TO DO:

- Gather important documents for claims processing (e.g., birth certificate, will, etc.)
- Begin to make funeral and burial arrangements
- Start claim process for applicable benefits (e.g., SBP, VA life insurance, Social Security)
- Determine immediate and short-term financial needs and income sources
- Arrange for help with legal affairs of the deceased
- Notify joint account agencies (e.g., credit cards, banks, auto registration home/auto insurance)
- Review survivor's own legal documents for possible revision
- Obtain multiple certified death certificates (6-12 copies)

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society

No doubt your financial requirements and responsibilities are very different from when you were on active duty. The Society provides retirees a useful guide: Strategic Money and Asset Retirement Tips.

Download your free **GET S.M.A.R.T.** guide at :
www.myimpactwithnmcrrs.org/getsmart



MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS FOR BURIALS OUTSIDE ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY (ANC)

The funeral director (preferred) or a family member can contact the HQMC Military Funeral Honors Section at (866) 826-3628 or (703) 432-9524 to request Military Funeral Honors for a veteran. The funeral director (or family member) must be able to provide the Marine's complete name, SSN, rank, status (retired or veteran), date of birth, date of death, and place of death/interment. In addition, a copy of the Marine's DD-214 needs to be provided for verification of "honorable service". If a DD-214 is not readily available, it can be requested through the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, MO. The following link provides additional details:

https://www.manpower.usmc.mil/webcenter/portal/MF_MPS_CA/MilitaryFuneralHonors?_afLoop=1698068779136830#!%40%40%3F_afLoop%3D1698068779136830%26_adf.ctrl-state%3D1bpb10pnxz_137

MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS FOR BURIALS AT ANC

A family member will need to contact ANC directly as we do not schedule funerals or military funeral honors at ANC. The following link provides information on eligibility, required documents, and additional resources for scheduling and attending funerals at ANC. Marine Barracks Washington provides Military Funeral Honors for Marine burials at ANC.

<http://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Funerals/Scheduling-a-Funeral>

Inns of the Corps

MCAS Yuma: Dos Rios Inn
(928) 269-2262, Fax: (928) 269-6639

MCLB Barstow: Oasis Lodge
(760) 577-6418, Fax: (760) 577-6542

MCB Camp Pendleton:
Ward Lodging
(760) 725-2134/2313
Fax: (760) 725-5609

MCB Camp Pendleton:
South Mesa Lodge
(760) 763-7805/7806/7807
Fax: (760) 237-3559

MCAS Miramar: Miramar Inn
(858) 271-7111, Fax: (858) 628-9466
Reservations: 1-800-628-9466

MCAGCC Twenty-nine Palms:
Sleepy Tortoise Inn
(760) 830-6583, Fax: (760) 830-1647

MCB Hawaii: Lodge at Kaneohe Bay
(808) 254-2806, Fax: (808) 356-4506

MCAS Iwakuni: Monzen and Nishiki Lodges
011-81-611-753-3221

MCB Camp S.D. Butler: WestPac Lodge
011-81-611-745-2455

MCB Camp Lejeune: Hospitality Inn
(910) 451-3041, Fax: (910) 451-0360

MCRD Parris Island: The Osprey Inn
(843) 228-2744 (primarily for personnel on TAD)

MCRD San Diego: Devil Dog Inn
(619) 524-4401, www.mcrdsd-billeting.org

MCAS Beaufort: De Treville House
(843) 522-1663, Fax: (843) 522-1663

MCB Quantico: Crossroads Inn
(703) 630-4444, Fax: (703) 630-4499
Reservations: 1-800-965-9511



Read more about it at: innsofthecorps.com/



Directory Assistance Pages

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AMC PASSENGER TERMINAL:

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

ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY: (703) 607-8000

www.arlingtoncemetery.mil

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOMES (GULFPORT):

Gulfport, MS: (228) 897-4418

<https://www.afrh.gov/gulfport-residents>

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