New memorial pays tribute to Corpsmen’s sacrifices in service alongside Marines
By LtCol Jenny Hawkes USMCR (Ret)

JACKSONVILLE, N.C. – A statue memorializing U.S. Navy hospital corpsmen was unveiled at the Lejeune Memorial Gardens, 109 Montford Landing Rd., here, on Oct. 12, 2022. The event was attended by hundreds of military and civilian officials, military veterans and family members, and community supporters. Former SECNAV Retiree Council member Senior Chief Hospital Corpsman (AW) Raymond L. Applewhite was instrumental in making it happen.

“The Memorial is a long overdue recognition of the service and sacrifice that Navy corpsmen have paid and continue to pay as they serve alongside their Marine Corps brothers and sisters,” Applewhite said. “The Fleet Marine Force corpsmen are diamonds in the rough. They have a long, storied history of brave and heroic duty in combat with the Marines.”

Per Navy.mil, Navy hospital corpsmen are the most highly decorated rate in the U.S. Navy. As of 2022, Corpsmen account for 22 Medals of Honor, 199 Navy Crosses and 984 Silver Stars. Per the Corpsmen Memorial Foundation website, about 2,000 corpsmen have been killed in action while serving with the Marine Corps: 1,170 in World War II, 109 in Korea, 639 in the Vietnam War, 15 in the Marine Barracks in Beirut and over 55 in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Corpsmen Memorial is in good company. Other memorials at the Gardens commemorate the 10 million men and women who served in the U.S. military during the Vietnam War, including three million who served in theater; the 20,000 Black Americans recruited into the Marine Corps and trained at Montford Point Camp (now known as Camp Johnson) at Camp Lejeune between 1942 and 1949; and the 273 Marines killed in the terrorist attack their barracks in Beirut, Lebanon, on Oct. 23, 1983. An additional memorial features a beam taken from the rubble of the Twin Towers after the terrorist attacks of 9/11. The Gardens is also the future home of the Carolina Museum of the Marine.

“No need to say, some corpsmen made the ultimate sacrifice,” said Applewhite. “The training they receive make them eligible for duty whenever and wherever the Marines deploy.” Applewhite’s name is on file as potentially being the first African American Navy Instructor at Field Medical Service School at Camp Johnson during his assignment there from 1974-1977.

It’s fitting, then, that the Corpsmen Memorial found a home in the Lejeune Memorial Gardens, very near Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. Corpsmen such as Applewhite have trained in the area for duty with the Marines since 1950. Said Applewhite, “This memorial means that the Fleet Marine Force corpsmen now have a memorial in place at the Gardens that will forever represent the corpsmen’s mutual respect, admiration and total commitment to ‘take care’ of their Marines!”

Applewhite is a supporter of the Corpsmen Memorial Foundation. The Foundation officially formed in January 2008 and has advocated and raised funds for the Corpsmen Memorial ever since. Prospective supporters can learn more at https://fmfcmf.org/. The statue for the Corpsmen Memorial was designed by Abbe’ Godwin, who also sculpted the Gardens’ Beirut Memorial statue.

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The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is available to anyone at 988 and then press 1.
“Airborne hazard” refers to any sort of contaminant or potentially toxic substance that we are exposed to through the air we breathe. While on active duty, military service members may have been exposed to a variety of airborne hazards including:

- The smoke and fumes from open burn pits
- Sand, dust, and particulate matter
- General air pollution common in certain countries
- Fuel, aircraft exhaust, and other mechanical fumes
- Smoke from oil well fires

VA understands that many Veterans are especially concerned about exposure to the smoke and fumes generated by open burn pits.

In Iraq, Afghanistan, and other areas of the Southwest Asia theater of military operations, open-air combustion of trash and other waste in burn pits was a common practice. The Department of Defense has now closed out most burn pits and is planning to close the remainder.

Depending on a variety of factors, you may experience health effects related to this exposure. Factors that may indicate you have a greater or lesser risk of short or long-term health effects include:

- Types of waste burned
- Proximity, amount of time, and frequency of exposure
- Wind direction and other weather-related factors
- Presence of other airborne or environmental hazards in the area

Researchers, including experts at VA, are actively studying airborne hazards like burn pits and other military environmental exposures. Ongoing research will help us better understand potential long-term health effects and provide you with better care and services. Many health conditions related to these hazards are temporary and should disappear after the exposure ends. Other longer-term health issues may be caused by a combination of hazardous exposures, injuries, or illnesses you may have experienced during your military service including blast or noise injuries.
Presumptive Conditions for Airborne Hazards and Burn Pit Exposures

The following are presumptive conditions:

- Brain cancer
- Gastrointestinal cancer of any type
- Glioblastoma
- Head cancer of any type
- Kidney cancer
- Lymphatic cancer of any type
- Lymphoma of any type
- Melanoma
- Neck cancer
- Pancreatic cancer
- Reproductive cancer of any type
- Squamous cell carcinoma of the larynx
- Squamous cell carcinoma of the trachea
- Adenocarcinoma of the trachea
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the trachea
- Adenosquamous carcinoma of the lung
- Large cell carcinoma of the lung
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the lung
- Sarcomatoid carcinoma of the lung
- Typical and atypical carcinoid of the lung
- Respiratory (breathing-related) cancer of any type
- Asthma that was diagnosed after service
- Chronic bronchitis
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Chronic rhinitis
- Chronic sinusitis
- Constrictive bronchiolitis or obliterative bronchiolitis
- Emphysema
- Granulomatous disease
- Interstitial lung disease (ILD)
- Pleuritis
- Pulmonary fibrosis
- Sarcoidosis

Join the Registry

We encourage all Veterans who are eligible to participate in VA’s Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry (AHOBPR). By joining the registry, you can provide information that can help us better understand the long-term effects of burn pit exposures. Even if you have not experienced any symptoms or illnesses you believe are related to burn pit exposure, your participation could help VA provide better care to all Veterans.

- Participation in the registry does not mean you are applying for VA disability benefits or health care. To apply for VA disability compensation, please go to compensation. To apply for VA health care treatment, please go to health care.
- You can save and submit your registry questionnaire and notes from the optional health evaluation support your claim.
- You do not have to participate in the registry to be enrolled in VA health care or file a VA claim.
- You can participate even if you do not recall any exposure to airborne hazards during your military service at an eligible location.
- Visit the registry page to learn more about eligibility and how to get started.

Open Burn Pits – What Was Burned

Waste products commonly disposed of in open burn pits include:

- Chemicals, paint, medical and human waste
- Metal and aluminum cans
- Petroleum and lubricant products
- Plastics, rubber, wood, and food waste
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Exposure to smoke created by burning these materials may cause irritation and burning of eyes or throat, coughing, breathing difficulties, skin itching or rashes. Many of these conditions are temporary and resolve on their own when the exposure ends. However, if you were closer to burn pit smoke or were exposed for longer periods of time, you may be at greater risk for longer-term health conditions.
FALLS CHURCH, Va. – A new TRICARE contract that facilitates beneficiary health care in the civilian sector, known as T-5, is expected to start in 2024. The changes will improve the delivery, quality, and cost of health care services for services for service members, retirees, and their families.

There will continue to be two regional contractors. On December 22, 2022, the Defense Health Agency (DHA) announced that Humana Government Business and TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corporation will be the regional contractors, also known as managed care support contractors. If you live in the TRICARE East Region, Humana Government Business (Humana Military) will administer your health plan and provide TRICARE coverage. If you live in the TRICARE West Region, TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corporation will administer your health plan and provide TRICARE coverage.

“I am pleased that our new T-5 TRICARE contracts will continue to focus on enhancing the experience of care and great health care outcomes for our service members, retirees, and their families,” said Lt Gen Ronald Place, Director, Defense Health Agency.

Six states move to West Region
The biggest change is the shift six East Region states will make to the West Region. This will affect approximately 1.5 million beneficiaries. The states moving from the East Region to the West Region are:

- Arkansas
- Illinois
- Louisiana
- Oklahoma
- Texas
- Wisconsin

Moving these six states into the West Region will create a more even balance to the TRICARE population each regional contractor manages. The move will also streamline processes and standards for both regions.

What does this mean for you? The DHA has targeted January 2024 for the changes to take place. Throughout 2023, the same regional contractor will continue to manage your TRICARE health plan:

- East Region—Humana Military
- West Region—Health Net Federal Services, LLC

You don’t need to take any action right now. How you get your health care won’t change during the transition period through 2023. If you live in one of the states that’s going from the East Region to the West Region, the DHA and TRICARE regional contractors have a variety of communications planned throughout the year. You’ll learn how the transition will occur—and any action you need to take—so your TRICARE benefits can continue seamlessly.

Be sure to check the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) to confirm all your information is current. This will help make sure you won’t miss important communications regarding your TRICARE benefit.
**New contract focuses on care**

Built into the new contract is an ongoing commitment to improving access to and quality of health care services. The regional contractors will do this in a variety of ways, including:

- Supporting innovation and health care industry best practices
- Creating efficient ways to reduce health care costs
- Providing a foundation for future health care demonstrations and pilots
- Improving how military hospitals and clinics and civilian care can work together to enhance patients’ health care experience

Some of the changes to the TRICARE health plan will happen behind the scenes, but every change will help support you by providing:

- More efficient referral transfers between the two regions
- Greater provider network flexibility
- Improved beneficiary choice
- Enhanced telehealth appointments

“The DHA wants to improve your health care experience and provide a seamless and timely transition for you and your family,” added Place.

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Quarterly newsletters provide information about your TRICARE benefit. Get future issues of Health Matters Newsletters, plus more benefit updates and news, by https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USMHSTMA/subscriber/new for email updates from TRICARE.

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<td>(940) 631-7233</td>
<td><a href="mailto:postalm16@hotmail.com">postalm16@hotmail.com</a></td>
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<td>(540) 850-4213 (617) 840-0267</td>
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<td>13-20 August 2023</td>
<td>(760) 763-3268</td>
<td><a href="mailto:June.oldbreed@fmda.us">June.oldbreed@fmda.us</a></td>
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<td>(512) 825-4730</td>
<td><a href="http://Www.26Marines.com">Www.26Marines.com</a>, <a href="mailto:sonnyusmc@gmail.com">sonnyusmc@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>7-9 September 2023</td>
<td>225-281-6838</td>
<td><a href="mailto:raybroussardjr@gmail.com">raybroussardjr@gmail.com</a>, <a href="mailto:morganjos607@gmail.com">morganjos607@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>(831) 229-6773</td>
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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 service.

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Experience camaraderie and esprit de corps at a Retiree Appreciation Day. To view these events and others visit: https://www.hostmtb.org/RADs_and_Other_Retiree-Veterans_Events.html#USA.
The Marine Corps wishes to extend heartfelt sympathy to the loved ones and friends of our fallen comrades. Because of the Privacy Act, we cannot release addresses of the next of kin. The following list includes the Marine's name, last grade held that was reported to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, month and year of retirement, and month and year of death.

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**SERGEANT MAJOR**

DUDLEY, RICHARD E.  
GREENE, MALcolm A.  

**MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT**

BARKER, WILLIAM L.  
BEARD, JAMES E. JR  
CHRISTENSON, ALAN C. JR  
CRKVENAC, JOHN III  
DAILEY, CHARLES W.  
DOWER, WILLIAM L.  
EMERSON, ROBERT D.  
ESQUIBEL, GILBERT L.  
LINVILLE, FRANKIE L.  
MENDIOLA, JESSE A.  
MONTGOMERY, ROBERT L.  
RADIKE, ROBERT W.  
STREED, DAVID P.  
WEBSTER, PAUL C. JR.  
ZITO, ANTHONY R.  

**FIRST SERGEANT**

ADKINS, JOHN T.  
BEATTY, MARK T.  
EVANS, JAMES E.  
FOLK, JOHN M.  
HEBB, GARY E.  
HEINZ, JOHN W. JR  
HENNINGER, A. V.  
JOHNSON, RONALD E.  
LAWSON, JAMES E.  
MOORE, GEORGE F.  
RANDALL, ALLEN R.  
ROBISON, STEVEN M.  
SCHUMACHER, HAROLD E.  
SHANNON, MICHAEL D.  
SMITH, RANDALL D.  
WILLIAMSON, DONALD R.  

**GUNNERY SERGEANT**

AYERS, DAVID R.  
BLOSSER, CLAUDE W. II  
CHRISTIANSON, BUFDORD M.  
CLINE, RUSSLE L.  
COUSLER, WILLIAM A.  
DOYAL, LARRY D.  
FALK, RICHARD M.  
FLEMING, MICHAEL D.  

(Gunnery Sergeants continue on page 13)
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Managing Your Retired Pay Allotments
By DFAS Cleveland

You can have some of your retired pay go to another institution through an allotment (often known as a payroll deduction). This allows you to pay bills, insurance premiums, mortgages, etc. directly out of your retired pay.

How Many Allotments Can You Have?

You can have a maximum of six discretionary allotments. The following allotments are considered non-discretionary, and they do not count toward your maximum of six:

- Delinquent tax payments (federal, state, or local)
- Repayment of debts owed to the government
- Charity payments for Army Emergency Relief (AER), Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS), or affiliates of Air Force Assistance Fund
- Loan Payments for AER, NMCRS, Air Force Aid Society, or American Red Cross

Managing Your Allotments Using myPay

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) allotments to financial institutions can be started, stopped, or changed in myPay: [https://mypay.dfas.mil](https://mypay.dfas.mil)

Non Electronic Funds Transfer allotments for mortgage payments can be changed or stopped in myPay. Certain insurance and certain charitable contributions can also be stopped or changed in myPay. To manage a Home Loan, Navy Mutual Aid Service, Charity, or Insurance allotment please see the charity or institution for more information on how to make your request.

Once you have entered allotment information into myPay, please allow time for the transaction to post. Entering the allotment more than once could cause the system to set up two allotments instead of one, causing overpayments to your allotments.

Managing Your Allotments Using the DD Form 2558

You can now submit your allotment start, change, and stop request to DFAS using our askDFAS online upload tool on DFAS.mil.

Recently, DFAS created a new, more convenient option for submitting allotment requests. To send an allotment request via askDFAS, you will first need to complete and sign the DD Form 2558, Authorization to Start, Stop, or Change an Allotment. The DD Form 2558 is available on the DFAS Forms webpage: [https://www.dfas.mil/raforms](https://www.dfas.mil/raforms).

Save your completed and signed DD Form 2558 as a PDF and submit it via our askDFAS online upload tool on DFAS.mil. Find out more: [https://www.dfas.mil/askdfas](https://www.dfas.mil/askdfas).

Remember, all allotment requests must include your name, Social Security Number, signature, date, amount of allotment (current and requested), and allotment start, stop or change date.

Once you submit your request, it will take up to three business days to be available in the DFAS system. DFAS can process a typical request in 30 days if we have all of the required information. Allotments take time to show up in myPay. You may not see your request until you receive your next Retiree Account Statement.

Before setting up an allotment, please make sure you have enough disposable pay after taxes and other deductions to cover it. Otherwise, you may not receive your pay or your allotment might be underpaid.
SBP premium costs that would have been paid if the member had enrolled at retirement (or enrolled at another earlier date, depending on the member’s family circumstances).

For retirees receiving pay, enrollment does require paying the premiums plus interest for the time period since the date they were first eligible to enroll, as well as the monthly premiums moving forward.

The SBP Open Season also allows eligible members receiving retired pay, eligible members, or former members awaiting retired pay who are currently NOT enrolled in SBP or RCSBP (Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan) to enroll. For a member who enrolls during the SBP Open Season, the law generally requires that the member will be responsible to pay retroactive benefits and former members who are currently enrolled in either SBP or RCSBP to permanently discontinue their SBP coverage. The law generally requires the covered beneficiaries to concur in writing with the election to discontinue. Previously paid premiums will not be refunded.

DFAS is working to prepare the forms, policies, and processes required to facilitate this SBP Open Season. We will be not be able to answer specific questions until we obtain official DoD guidance on the new law, policy, and processes.

Please check our special focus webpage for news and information - https://www.dfas.mil/sbpopenseason23
In the meantime, we created a special focus webpage to post information and instructions as they become available.

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SEEKING EMPLOYMENT WITH A FOREIGN COUNTRY/ENTITY?

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The Emoluments Clause to the Constitution prohibits receipt of compensation for work performed, or foreign gifts without Congressional consent, and applies to all Federal personnel. As a retired Marine, this applies to you! The Justice Department construes the Clause to include not only gifts of travel and food, but also payments such as proportionate profit-sharing. To avoid an Emoluments Clause problem resulting in suspension of retired pay, retired Marines should seek advance consent through HQMC consistent with 37 U.S.C. § 908. Interested Marines should contact the Retired Services & Pay Section (MMSR-6) at (703) 784-9311/9312, or through our organizational mailbox: smb.manpower.mmsr6@usmc.mil.
2023 PARADE SEASON - 8TH and I 
"The Oldest Post of the Corps!"

Friday Evening Parade Schedule
To reserve tickets for the Friday Evening Parade, go to https://www.barracks.marines.mil/Parades/Friday-Evening-Parade-Schedule-Reservation/, and select from desired dates below. Reservations are not required to attend the Sunset Parades.

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May 13, 2022 - Marine Barracks Washington
Marines with the Silent Drill Platoon execute their “long line” sequence during a Friday Evening Parade at Marine Barracks Washington, D.C. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Mark Morales)

Sunset Parade Dates
- June 6, 2023
- June 13, 2023
- June 20, 2023
- June 27, 2023
- July 11, 2023
- July 18, 2023
- July 25, 2023
- August 1, 2023
# United States Navy Blue Angels

## 2023 Air Show Schedule

For information about individual air shows, please go to each air show's official website. For more information about the Blue Angels, including the 2023 air show schedule, visit [http://www.blueangels.navy.mil](http://www.blueangels.navy.mil).


For more photos and video from Navy Blue Angels, visit [www.DVIDSHUB.net/NFDS](http://www.DVIDSHUB.net/NFDS).

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USMC Retired Services Offices

MCAS Yuma Arizona
https://yuma.usmc-mccs.org/marine-family-support/transition-readiness
geraldine.tirado@usmc.mil
(928) 269-3159

MCAGCC Twentynine Palms California
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(760) 830-6344

MCAS Miramar California
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smbmiramarmccs.iandr@usmc.mil
(858) 307-1428

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ernesto.bulli-cruz@usmc-mccs.org
(760) 725-5704
(760) 277-4643

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http://sandiego.usmc-mccs.org/marine-family-support/retired-affairs
Perlita.rodriguez@usmc.mil
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(703) 784-2659

MCB Camp SD Butler Okinawa Japan
https://www.okinawa.usmc-mccs.org/marine-family-support/retired-affairs
rao@okinawa.usmc-mccs.org

MCB Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii
https://hawaii.usmc-mccs.org/marine-family-support/transition-readiness
MCBH.TR.P.INQUIRY.SMB@usmc.mil
(808) 257-7790

Semper Fidelis Newsletter for Retired Marines
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 prevent possible financial hardship for the surviving family members or executors, who will be required to return any unearned payments of the decedent’s annuity pay if payment is erroneously received.

***While the VA does not provide burial benefits for annuitants, the annuitant may be eligible for burial in a military cemetery.

Follow these steps to report the death of an annuitant:

1. 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](http://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.vagov](http://www.vagov)

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 corrections 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 (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

(Hours: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, EST)
1. REPORT THE DEATH TO DFAS at (888) 332-7411 to stop retirement pay and 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.

Additional information from DFAS is available at www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/survivors/Retiree-death/.

For families located overseas, the commercial number is (216) 522-5955, select option 3 to be directed to the appropriate representative.

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 under the TAPS column.

2. Within 7-10 business days after reporting the death to DFAS, you should receive a letter containing the following documents:
   a. SF1174 Claim for Unpaid Compensation of Deceased Member of the Uniformed Service
   b. Annuity account forms and instructions (if the decedent was enrolled in the Survivor Benefit Plan or the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan)
   c. W-4P Withholding Certificate for Pension or Annuity Payments
   d. Direct Deposit form

Complete the forms you received with your letter and return them with a copy of the retiree’s death certificate that includes cause of death to:

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

If you need assistance completing your claim forms, please call (800) 321-1080.

3. 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 whether an election was made, call DFAS at (800) 321-1080.

4. 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 https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco or call HQMC (MMSR-6) at (800) 336-4649 or (703) 784-9310 to obtain the sites closest to you.

5. NOTIFY THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION at (800) SSA-1213 (www.ssa.gov) to apply for the $255 death benefit, if applicable.

6. CONTACT THE VA at (800) 827-1000 FOR BURIAL AND OTHER VA BENEFITS, such as VA disability payments. A copy of the sponsor’s DD 214 is required. Visit www.va.gov for more information.

7. CONTACT THE U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT at (888)-767-6738 if the sponsor was receiving civil service pay.
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.hqmc.marines.mil/Agencies/Casualty-MFPC/Funeral-Honors/

MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS FOR BURIALS AT ANC

A family member will need to contact ANC directly. 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.

Agencies Providing Aid and Assistance To Surviving Spouses

Arlington National Cemetery: (703) 607-8000


Military Funeral Honors: (866) 826-3628 or (703) 432-9524

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: (703) 696-4904, www.nmcrs.org


Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors: (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)
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AMC PASSENGER TERMINAL
http://www.amc.af.mil/Home/AMC-Travel-Site/

ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY
(877) 907-8585
www.arlingtoncemetery.mil

ARMED FORCES RECREATION CENTERS
www.armymwr.com/travel/armed-forces-hotels-resorts

• Edelweiss Lodge and Resort (Germany)
  (011-49) 8821-9440
• Hale Koa Hotel (Hawaii): (800) 955-0555

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOMES
(GULFPORT)
Gulfport, MS: (228) 897-4418
https://www.afdh.gov/gulfport

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOMES
(WASHINGTON)
Washington, DC: (202) 541-7501
https://www.urh.gov/washington-residents

AWARDS:
Marines who have been discharged, separated or retired on or before 1 January 2001 should submit their inquiry to:
National Personnel Record Center
Military Personnel Records
1 Archives Dr., St. Louis, MO 63138
Phone: (314) 801-0800

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BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
701 S. Courthouse Rd., Bldg. 12, Suite 1001
Arlington, VA 22204-2490
(703) 604-6884/6885; Fax: (703) 604-3434
https://www.seconav.navy.mil/mra/bcnr/Pages/default.aspx

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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: (888) 276-9472 or (502) 613-9510
https://www.hrc.army.mil
Search “Cold War Certificate”

COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL COMPENSATION
SECNAV CRSC Board
720 Kennon St. SE, Ste. 309; Washington Navy Yard,
DC 20374-5023
(877) 366-2772, Fax: (202) 685-6610
usn.ncr.asstsecnavmarc.mbx.crsc@usn.mil

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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
https://nrds.gov/resource/detail/8432677/The+U.S.+National+Archives+%26+Records+Administration:
www.archives.gov/st-louis

Marines discharged/retired/separated on or after
1 January 1999:
Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMRP)-10
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134-5030
(800) 268-3710; smb.manpower.mmrp-10@usmc.mil

DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE
(888) 332-7411, www.dfas.mil
U.S. and OCONUS: (216) 522-5955, Fax: (800) 469-6559

DFAS Special Compensation for the Severely Disabled
P.O. Box 998011; Cleveland, OH 44199-8011
(216) 522-6170

E

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)
(800) LTC-FEDS ((800) 582-3337)
https://www.ltcfeds.com

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MARINE CORPS ASSOCIATION
715 Broadway St., Quantico, VA 22134
(866) 622-1775, ext. 100, Fax: (703) 630-0162
mca@mca-marines.org

• Leatherneck Magazine
  (888) 237-7683; Fax: (703) 640-0823
  leatherneck@mca-marines.org

• Marine Corps Gazette
  (800) 336-0291, ext. 144; Fax: (703) 630-9147
  gazette@mca-marines.org

MARINE BARRACKS WASHINGTON
8th and I, Washington, DC; www.barracks.marines.mil

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Directory Assistance Pages

MARINE CORPS HERITAGE FOUNDATION
1775 Semper Fidelis Way, Triangle, VA 22172
(703) 640-7965 OR (800) 397-7585; info@marineheritage.org
https://www.marineheritage.org/

MARINE CORPS HISTORY DIVISION
Marine Corps University
2044 Broadway Street, Quantico, VA 22134-5001
(703) 432-4874; https://www.history.division@usmcu.edu

MARINE CORPS JUNIOR ROTC TECOM (C46JR)
1019 Elliot Rd, 2034 Barnett Ave, Room 200, Quantico, VA
22134-5001 (703) 784-3706; https://www.mcjrotc.org

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE NATIONAL HQ
3619 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Suite 115
Stafford, VA 22554, (703) 207-9588; JFoster@MCLeague.org
(Membership Manager)

MARINE CORPS RECORDS CORRESPONDENCE (MMRP-12)
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134-5030
(800) 268-3710, (703) 784-3930/4646/5616

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

MCCS COMMUNITY SERVICES: www.usmc-mccs.org

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

VA Records Management Center
P.O. Box 5020; St. Louis, MO 63115-8950
(888) 533-4558; Fax: (314) 538-4571

MEDICARE: (800) 633-2482; https://www.medicare.gov

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS
1775 Semper Fidelis Way, Triangle, VA 22172
(877) 653-1775; https://www.usmcmuseum.com

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

NAVY LODGE WORLDWIDE RESERVATIONS CENTER
(800) 628-9466; https://www.navy-lodge.com

NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY
875 N. Randolph Road Street, Suite 225, Arlington, VA 22203
(800) 654-8364; http://www.nmcrs.org/a/homepage

QUANTICO NATIONAL CEMETERY
(703) 221-2183; https://www.cem.va.gov/cms/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/army-echoes
• Coast Guard Evening Colors: https://www.dems.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Human-Resources-CG-1/Pay-and-Personnel-Center-PPC/
• Navy Shift Colors: https://www.mynavyhr.navy.mil/Staff/Media-Center/Publications/Shift-Colors/

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
(800) 772-1213; https://www.ssa.gov

SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN
https://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/provide/sbp

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THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN: (877) 968-3778; Fax: (216) 367-3605; TSP mailbox: thrifline@tsp.gov
International callers: (404) 233-4400
https://www.tsp.gov/index.html

TRICARE: https://tricare.mil/
• East: (800) 444-5445; https://www.humanamilitary.com/east/
• West: (844) 866-9378; https://www.tricare-west.com
• Overseas: (888) 777-8343; https://www.tricare-overseas.com
• Health Beneficiary Counseling Assistance Coordinator: https://www.tricare.mil/bcacdao

TRICARE for LIFE: (866) 773-0404; https://www.tricare4u.com

TRICARE Network Pharmacy Program

TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery: (877) 363-1296; https://tricare.mil/homedelivery

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UNIFORM SUPPORT CENTER: (800) 368-4088;
Fax your DD 214 to (800) 551-6289 before placing order.

V
VA: (800) 827-1000; https://www.va.gov
VA EDUCATION: (888) 442-4551; https://www.gibill.va.gov
VA LIFE INSURANCE PROGRAMS:
(800) 369-3177; https://www.insurance.va.gov
VA SGLI/VGLI: (800) 551-2346
VA STATUS OF HEADSTONES AND MARKERS:
(800) 679-6947
WHO TO CONTACT:

MMSR-2: (703) 784-9322/23 Enlisted
(703) 784-9324/25 Officer

Active Duty Separations and Retirements
• Officer  
  smb.manpower.mmsr2o@usmc.mil
• Enlisted  
  smb.manpower.mmsr2e@usmc.mil

MMSR-4: (703) 784-9308/09/21
Disability Separations and Retirements  
  smb.manpower.mmsr4@usmc.mil

MMSR-5: (703) 784-9306/07
Fax: (703) 784-9834
Inactive Reserve Separations and Retirements  
  smb.manpower.mmsr5@usmc.mil

MMSR-6: (703) 784-9311/10; 1-800-336-4649
Fax: (703) 784-9834
Retired Services and Pay
• Address Changes (Note: Annuitants must call DFAS)
• Identification Cards
• Semper Fidelis
• Survivor Benefit Plan
  smb.manpower.mmsr6@usmc.mil