



Preparation Checklist

- DD214 (Discharge Paperwork)
- VA Benefits Summary Letter (if applicable)
- Copy of Marriage Certificate (along with marriage and divorce certificates from previous marriages if applicable).
- Any insurance policies
- National Cemetery pre-approval letter (not necessary to have, but useful to family members in a difficult time).
- SBP (Survivors Benefit Plan) information if applicable
- For retirees – phone number to notify DFAS
- A place for the death certificate