



The Defense Department, service members and veterans provide military funeral honors to the family of any deceased veteran – at no cost. All costs have been paid in full – through their service.

It is our nation's way of saying to the family of the departed – their loved one is not forgotten – we will take them home.

Funeral providers: We are here to serve – and to help you serve – the family of any eligible veteran.

Resources

The following links will help you find the information you need to render military funeral honors:

Military Funeral Honors Directory:

<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/funeral-honors-directory>

Military Funeral Honors – The Essentials:

<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/funeral-honors-essentials>

U.S. Department of Defense:

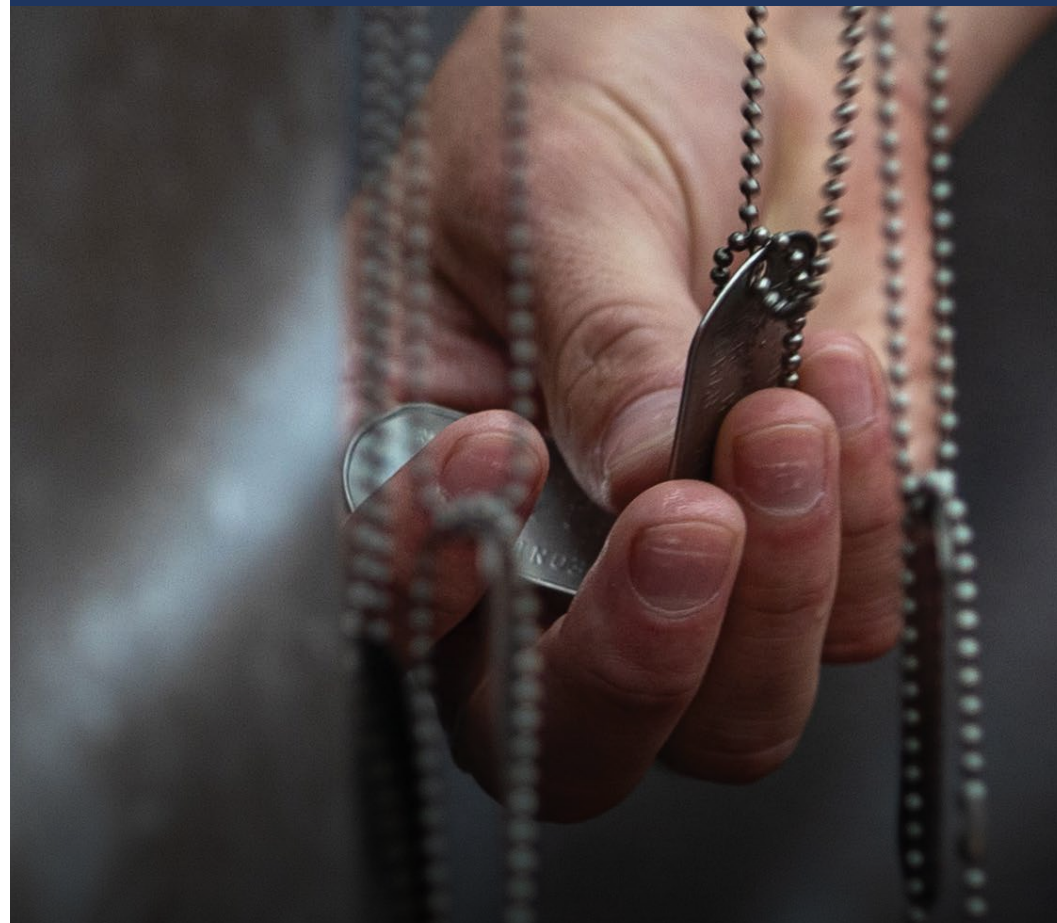
<https://www.defense.gov/Help-Center/Article/Article/2746201/arranging-military-funeral-honors-for-a-veteran>

Veterans Administration:

https://www.cem.va.gov/military_funeral_honors.asp

National Archives for veterans service records:

<https://www.archives.gov/veterans>



Military Funeral Honors – A Hero's Tribute

Gone, but never forgotten.



A Hero's Grace

There are those, among our best,
who answered the nation's call.

Who left home and love and feathered nests
to preserve freedom for us all.

They would balk at the label "hero"
and deny the laurel crest.

But as time follows them
as it tails us all - to lay us to our rest -
we have but one last chance
to stay the cold,
to raise the bugle bold.

To cast honor over all their days
and give tribute, in tradition's mold.

That we may reflect on this hero's grace
and glories left untold.

