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# **Funerals - Military Honors**

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Please note: If you are working with a funeral home, they may assist you in completing the necessary burial flag paperwork to submit to the VA.

### Military Funeral Honors - Maryland National Guard Honor Guard

Email: <a href="mailto:honorguard.secretary@maryland.gov">honorguard.secretary@maryland.gov</a>
<a href="mailto:honorguard.secretary@maryland.gov">https://military.maryland.gov/mdng/Documents/hgbrochure.pdf</a>

410-576-6133 (Army/Air Force) 703-432-9524 / 1-866-826-3628 (Marine Corps) 301-677-0476 / 202-433-4589 (Navy) 757-686-4116 / 202-372-4013 (Coast Guard)

The Maryland National Guard (MDNG) Honor Guard offers Military Funeral Honors to veterans who served in the Armed Forces of the United States and were separated with a discharge other than Dishonorable. The MDNGHG operates out of four locations throughout the state providing professional and dignified services to departed Maryland veterans. **Honors are not performed automatically; they must be requested.** Families of eligible veterans must request Funeral Honors through their funeral director. The funeral director will contact the MDNG Honor Guard to arrange for the Military Funeral Honors detail.

### Military Funeral Honors - U.S. Department of Defense

### www.cem.va.gov/military funeral honors.asp

The Department of Defense (DOD) is responsible for providing military funeral honors. "Honoring Those Who Served" is the title of the DOD program for providing dignified military funeral honors to Veterans who have defended our nation.

Upon the family's request, Public Law 106-65 requires that every eligible Veteran receive a military funeral honors ceremony, to include folding and presenting the United States burial flag and the playing of "Taps." The law defines a military funeral honors detail as consisting of two or more uniformed military persons, with at least one being a member of the Veteran's parent service of the armed forces.

The DOD program calls for funeral home directors to request military funeral honors on behalf of the Veteran's family. However, the Department of Veterans Affairs National Cemetery Administration cemetery staff can also assist with arranging military funeral honors at VA national cemeteries. Veterans organizations may also assist in providing military funeral honors.