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How to Request Information about a Veteran's Burial Site in a National Cemetery, Civil War and Later

National Cemetery Administration Website

Begin your research by going directly to

- The National Cemetery Administration website <http://www.cem.va.gov> and see their "Nationwide Gravesite Locator."
- You can access the page directly at: http://gravelocator.cem.va.gov/j2ee/servlet/NGL_v1

The site covers most of the 120 Department of Veterans Affairs' national cemeteries that may be searched for burial locations. There are six cemeteries that have not completed their records. They include: Long Island; Los Angeles; Ft. Rosecrans; Golden Gate; San Francisco; and the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. Some interments, therefore, will not be listed.

Arlington National Cemetery records are also available for interments that occurred after 1999. As more records are added to the database, more burial information will become available. Some state veterans cemeteries can also be searched.

Writing to the Department of Veterans Affairs

If you don't find what you are looking for, you should write directly to the National Cemetery Administration (402B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. The VA has alphabetically arranged index cards identifying practically all soldiers buried in national cemeteries and other cemeteries under Federal jurisdiction from 1861 to the present.

- You do not need a form to request this information and there is no fee.
- Most requests take approximately three weeks for a reply.
- Be sure to include your return mailing address, phone number or Internet e-mail address with your request.
- When requesting a burial location search, please provide the following information on each individual: full name, including any alternate spellings; date and place of birth; date and place of death; State from which the individual entered active duty; and military service branch.

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