

# Calverton assists the National Scheduling Center with interment requests

The National Cemetery Scheduling Office in Texas has been experiencing difficulties processing requests for interments for the National Cemeteries located throughout the United States.

The communication complications are, in part, a result of the devastation that has affected the area since hurricane Harvey in August 2017. Texas is not the only state that has incurred lasting problems, the storm has caused a swath of destruction extending from the Gulf Coast of Texas all the way through Louisiana.

To relieve the backlog of requests for burials in our area, Calverton National Cemetery has begun processing requests for subsequent interments at their cemetery directly with funeral directors. Because the veterans' eligibility has already been codified at the time of the initial burial at a VA cemetery, the Scheduling Office is allowing Calverton to accept requests for eligible interments directly, thus avoiding a call to the Texas office.

The attached letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs explains the situation. Please be certain to complete the attached form without leaving any spaces blank to avoid a delay in utilizing the system.



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
Calverton National Cemetery  
210 Princeton Boulevard  
Calverton, NY 11933-1031

February 5, 2018

Dear Funeral Director:

Recently, the National Cemetery Scheduling Office has been experiencing delays in receiving your incoming calls for eligibility determinations and to schedule interments. To support our funeral directors, effective February 6, 2018, our staff is available to help schedule subsequent, 2<sup>nd</sup> interment, services at Calverton National Cemetery on a temporary basis,

1. Our representatives are available to schedule interment from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Monday to Friday at 631-727-5410.
2. We require the usual 48 hour notification on all subsequent interment requests in order to prepare that respective gravesite.
3. Attached is an Interment Application Worksheet to assist you in providing the required information necessary for our office to schedule the interment. Please Fax this sheet to Calverton at 631-369-4397, prior to your call.
4. Please note that this is a temporary service which will resume with the National Scheduling Office.

Our mission at Calverton National Cemetery is to honor Veterans and their families with final resting places in national shrines and with lasting tributes that commemorate their service and sacrifice to our Nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael G. Picerno".

Michael G. Picerno  
Executive Cemetery Director

## SUBSEQUENT INTERMENT APPLICATION WORKSHEET

**Decedent ID#** \_\_\_\_\_

DECEDENT INFORMATION					
1. Decedent's Name				2. SSN	
3. Date of Death	4. Date of Birth	5. Gender Male      Female	6. Relationship vet              spouse              dep child		
7. Marital Status	8. Home of Record	9. Religious Emblem:	10. Is there a Dependent Child?      Yes      No If yes, provide information in BOX 39.		
11. Did the deceased ever commit a capital crime? Annotate the response in remarks?  Yes      No      If yes, provide information in BOX 39.					
12. Has the deceased ever been convicted of a sexual offense in which he/she had a minimum sentence of life imprisonment?  Yes      No      If yes, provide information in BOX 39.					
FUNERAL HOME INFORMATION					
13. Contact		14. F.H. ID #	15. Telephone		
16. Address			17. FAX		
18. Email Address					
NEXT OF KIN INFORMATION					
19. Name			20. Relationship to Decedent		
21. SSN		22. Date of Birth		23. Telephone	
24. Address					
SCHEDULING INFORMATION					
25. Interment Date		26. Day of Week Mon      Tue      Wed      Thur      Fri			27. Time
28. Family Attending: Yes      No		29. No One in Attendance (NOA): Yes      No		30. Military Honors Yes      No	
31. Casket Burial: <b>Casket Width Required:</b> _____ GP9 (Crypt)      GL_____			32. Cremation Burial Columbarium      In-ground		
33. Private Vault: Yes      No      Type: _____ Vendor: _____					
Previous Interment					
34. Name:		35. Vet      Dep	36. Decedent ID #	37. Sec	38. Grave
39. Remarks:					
VETERAN INFORMATION					
40. Veteran's Name				41. Discharge Form #	
42. Social Security Number		43. VA Claim Number		44. Service Number	
45. Branch		46. RANK		47. Entered	48. Separation