

Ready to Apply?

Once you have gathered all needed documents and information please call 803.283.2469 to set up an appointment with an accredited representative in either the Lancaster or Indian Land Office.

Hours of Operation:

Lancaster Location:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 9am to 4pm

Indian Land Location:

Thursdays Only and by Appointment Only from 9am to 4pm.
Closed for lunch from 1pm-2pm.

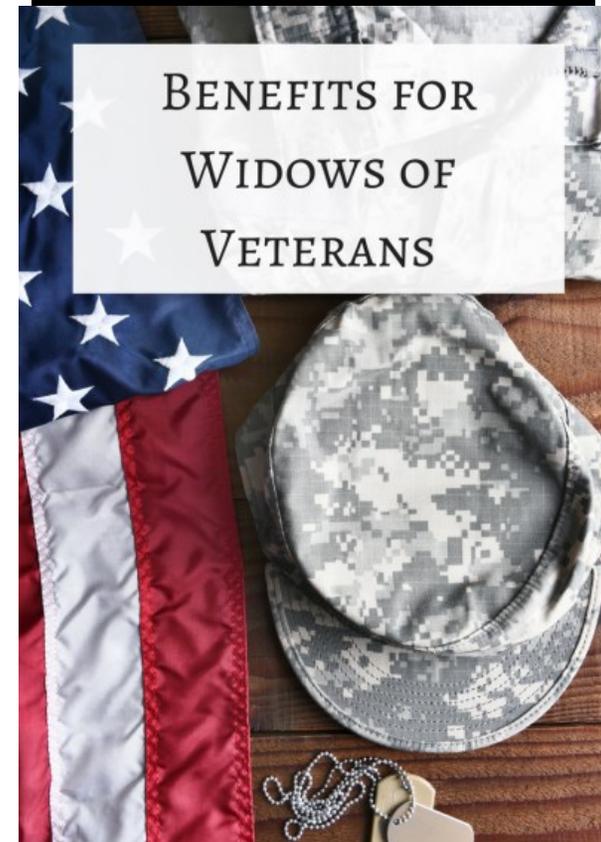


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BENEFITS FOR WIDOWS OF VETERANS



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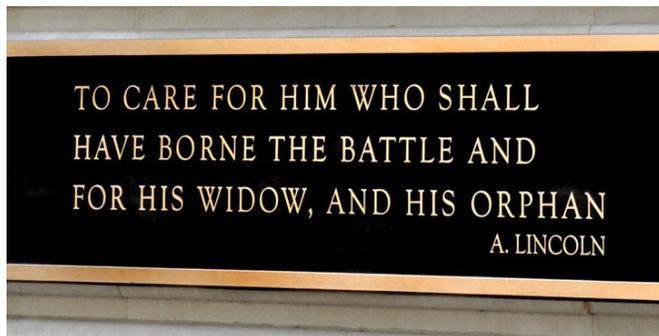
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VA Survivor Pension

VA Survivors Pension may also be referred to as Death Pension, is a tax-free monetary benefit payable to low-income, un-remarried surviving spouse and/or unmarried child or children of a deceased Veterans with wartime service.

Aid and Attendance is a special monthly benefit added to the VA Pension benefit.



Eligibility Requirements

The deceased Veteran must have met the following service requirements:

- For service on or before September 7, 1980, the Veteran must have served at least 90 days of active military service, with at least one day during a war time period.
- If he or she entered active duty after September 7, 1980, generally he or she must have served at least 24 months or the full period for which called or ordered to active duty with at least one day during a war time period.
- Was discharged from service under other than dishonorable conditions.

While an un-remarried spouse is eligible at any age, a child of a deceased wartime Veteran must be:

- * Under 18, OR
- * Under age 23 if attending a VA-approved school, OR
- * Permanently incapable of self-support due to a disability before age 18

Your yearly family income must be less than the amount set by Congress to qualify for the Survivors Pension benefit.

Income Guidelines

(Effective 12/1/2018)

- Single Surviving Spouse \$9,078.00
- With One Dependent \$11,881.00
- Each Additional Dependent \$2,313.00
- Single & Housebound \$11,095.00
- One Dependent Housebound \$13,893.00

- A&A without dependents \$14,509.00
- A&A One Dependent \$17,309.00

What Do I need to Apply?

- ◆ DD 214 (Report of Separation)
- ◆ Copy of Marriage License (if more than one marriage, certified copy of divorce or death certificate for each)
- ◆ Certified Copy of Veteran's Death Certificate
- ◆ Certified Copy of Birth Certificate for dependent children & Social Security Numbers
- ◆ Social Security Award Letter of all persons in household
- ◆ Earnings statements for all persons in Household (Gross Amount)
- ◆ Other Annuity or Retirement Income (Gross Amount)
- ◆ Dividends and Interest
- ◆ Direct Deposit information
- ◆ Current Bank Statement
- ◆ Size of Lot of primary residence
- ◆ Name of Hospital or Drug Insurance Company & Amount of Monthly Premium
- ◆ SSI amount (if in receipt)
- ◆ In the case of survivor who requires the daily personal health care service of a skilled provider without which they would require Assisted living or nursing home care; VA Form 21-2680 has to be completed by physician.
- ◆ Veteran living in an Assisted Living or Nursing home facility; VA Form 21-0779 completed by facility.

War Time Dates

World War II — December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946
Vietnam — August 5, 1964 to May 7, 1975

Korea — June 27, 1950 to January 31, 1955
Gulf/Iraq/Afghanistan — August 1, 1990 to present