

SERVICE INFORMATION

WITH VETERAN HONORS

- **Prior to service:**

1. Monument choices - We need this by the date of the burial to order the monument.

Please email your choices to slvc@la.gov

- Emblem of belief (see attached sheet)
- Optional inscriptions (see attached sheet but you don't have to go with one of those, you can use one of your own as long as it fits and is in good taste)
 - It will take about 60+ days to install the upright monuments and 30+ days to install the niche covers.

- **What to Expect on the Day of Service: IMPORTANT NOTE - THERE ARE NO FUNERAL SERVICES AT THE CEMETERY**

1. **Arrival Instructions:**

- Park in the designated spaces next to the 7 service flags before the Administration Building.
- The vehicle bringing the veteran should park directly in front of the Administration Building.
- Only one person should bring the cremains and the flag into the office.

2. **Procession to Committal Shelter:**

- The cemetery director will prepare the committal shelter, ensure the military is ready, and start the music (which will be heard throughout the cemetery).
- The procession will drive together to the committal shelter for military honors and a prayer by your pastor (if you have one, this is not a requirement).
- **Important:** The vehicle carrying the veteran should be the first to arrive at the committal shelter to ensure the veteran receives a proper salute.
- **Reminder:** This is not a funeral service, so there should be no eulogies, hymns, or other funeral elements.

3. **Seating Instructions:** Follow the directions for seating when you arrive at the committal shelter.

4. **Service Duration:** The entire service lasts about 20 minutes. The funeral or cemetery director will announce when it is time to return to your vehicles to drive home.

5. **Payment for Non-Veteran Spouse Burial:** If this burial includes a non-veteran spouse, payment must be made with certified funds (cashier's check, money order, etc.) to LDVA in the amount provided by the cemetery staff. If the funeral home is bringing the casket or cremains, the payment will come from the funeral home.