						respondent	Burden. 15 William	
M Dep	partment of V	eterans Affairs						
	APPLICAT	ION FOR AMO	UNTS ON	DEPOSIT F	OR DECEA	SED VETERA	۸N	
1. VETERAN'S NAME (First, Middle, Last - Print or type)					2. VA FILE NUMBER XC/XSS -			
3. CLAIMANT'S	S NAME (First, Middl	le, Last - Print or type)	4. CLAIM	4. CLAIMANT'S ADDRESS (No., Street, City, Rural Route, State and ZIP Code)				
5. CLAIMANT'S	S DATE OF BIRTH 6	i. APPLYING <i>(Check)</i> AS CLAIMANT CLAIM	I — SURV	ONSHIP OF CLAIMAN' /IVING JSE CHILD	T TO VETERAN (Chec	SIRI E FOR	PERSON RESPON- EXPENSES OF SS OR BURIAL	
	<u>'</u>	PART I - TO BE CO	OMPLETED BY	Y OR ON BEHALF	OF ALL CLAIMA	INTS		
		he veteran in the order of parties is in that class. If any of the					he claimant. Write	
8. RELATION- SHIP TO VETERAN		NAME	AΓ	DDRESS	DATE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRE HAVING CUSTODY (
A. SURVIVING SPOUSE								
B. MINOR								
AND ADULT CHILDREN (If adopted, stepchild or illegitimate, state this								
fact below the name of the child)								
C. FATHER (State if Natural, Adoptive or Foster)								
D. MOTHER (State if Natural, Adoptive or Foster)								
	- TO BE COMPL	ETED BY SURVIVIN	G SPOUSE OF	R ON BEHALF OF	DECEASED VE	TERAN'S CHILD OR	CHILDREN	
9. STATE NUM COMPLETE		ERAN HAS BEEN MARRIEI	D, THEN	10. STATE NUMBER COMPLETE ITEM		NG SPOUSE HAS BEEN M	IARRIED, THEN	
	M.	ARRIED		-1	MARRI	HOW ENDED		
11. MARITAL DATA FOR:	DATE	PLACE (City and State)	TO WHO	M MARRIED	DATE	PLACE (City and State)	(Death, Divorce, etc.)	
A. VETERAN								
B. SURVIVING SPOUSE OR								
PARENT OF CHILDREN FOR WHOM CLAIM IS								

PART III - DEP								L, ADOPTIVE OR I SE OR CHILD	FOSTE	R PARENTS.
12. WAS VETERAN AT A					NDER YOUR PAF al control ended)	RENTAL C	ARE BEFO	ORE REACHING 21 YEA	ARS OF A	GE?
	13	NET WORT	H AT TIME	OF VETE	RAN'S DEATH	(Specific	Instruction	ns are on page 1)		
13. NET WORTH AT TIME OF VETERAN'S DEATH (Specific Instructions are on page 4) A. STOCKS, BONDS, BANK DEPOSITS, B. REAL ESTATE C. OTHER PROPERTY D. AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS E. NET WORTH							WORTH			
ETC.										
14. AVERAGE MONTHL	Y 15. INDIC	 ATE THE SC	URCE FRO	M WHIC	H YOU RECEIV	ED YOU	R MONT	HLY INCOME AND T	 HE AMO	UNT FROM EACH
INCOME OF YOUR- SELF AND SPOUSE		SOURCE OF INCOME			AMOUNT			SOURCE OF INCOME		
FROM ALL SOURCE AT TIME OF	S A.	A.				D.				
VETERAN'S DEATH	B.	В.					E.			
	C.	C.				F.				
16. AVERAGE MONTHL' EXPENSES OF	Y 17. INDIC	ATE WHAT N	ONEY WA	S PAID C			AMOUNT (Such as for housing, food, clothing, me			
YOURSELF AND SPOUSE AT TIME		ITEM			AMOUN			ITEM		AMOUNT
OF VETERAN'S DEA	TH A.						F.			
	В.				G.					
	C.						H.			
	D.	D.					I.			
	E.						J.			
18. WERE ANY PERSON YES NO (If	IS LIVING IN YO "Yes," complete		OLD DEPEND	ENT SOLE	ELY UPON YOU F	FOR SUPF	PORT AT T	IME OF VETERAN'S DE	EATH?	
	E OF DEPEND				ATE OF BIRTH			RELATIONSHIP	TO CLAI	MANT
TAZAVI	L OI DLI LIVE	ZEINT		DATE OF BIRTH			TELETIONOLIII 10 GERINIZINI			
								EXPENSES OF LA , OR DEPENDENT		
BURIAL PROVIDED VETERAN WAS NOT SURVIVED BY SPOUSE, CHILD, OR DEPENDENT PARENT 19A. PLACE OF VETERAN'S DEATH (City and State) 19B. PLACE OF BURIAL (City and State) 19C. CLAIMANT'S RELATIONSHIP TO VETERAN										
NOTE: ANSWER F	-ULLY - Each	n charge ent	ered below	v should	be supported	by a bil	l or state	ment of account fro	om the p	erson who
rendered the service expense was incur							gnature, i	the name of the dec	ceased 1	for whom the
NATURE OF EXPENSE		NAME OF PERSON OR FIRM RENDERING THIS SERVICE			MOUNT OF EACH BILL	PAID	K ONE UNPAID	IF PAID, ENTER ESTATE WHOS		
PHYSICIAN										
HOSPITAL										
NURSING										
BURIAL EXPENSES										
OTHER EXPENSES										
TOTAL EXPENSES										
20. HAVE YOU BEEN REIMBURSED FROM ANY SOURCE FOR ANY OF THE EXPENSES PAID FROM YOUR PERSONAL FUNDS? (Check One) YES NO (If "Yes," specify amount and source)										
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PART IV (Continued) - REIMBURSEMENT WAIVER							
NOTE: If any of the expenses are unpaid, this part should be signed by all un	npaid creditors.						
I CERTIFY THAT I hold the claimant responsible for payment of my portion of this benefit, and waive my right to collect from the Department of Veterans Affairs.							
SIGNATURE OF CREDITOR	SIGNATURE OF CREDITOR						
SIGNATURE OF CREDITOR	SIGNATURE OF CREDITOR						
CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATION (To be fully completed by or on behalf of all claimants)							
I CERTIFY THAT the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. If I am claiming reimbursement, I further certify that I paid or am responsible for the payment of the last sickness and burial expenses of the veteran and hereby make claim for any amounts due as reimbursement.							
SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT	DATI	SIGNED					
SIGN HERE							
REMARKS (Enter any additional information to items, identifying each by item number	er)						

PENALTY: The law provides severe penalties which include fine or imprisonment, or both, for the willful submission of any statement or evidence of a material fact, knowing it to be false, or for the fraudulent acceptance of any payment to which you are not entitled.

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READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM

LAWS GOVERNING PAYMENTS

PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION: The responses you submit are considered confidential, (38 U.S.C. 5701). They may be disclosed outside the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) only if the disclosure is authorized under the Privacy Act, including the routine uses identified in the VA system of records, 58VA21/22, Compensation, Pension, Education and Veteran Readiness and Employment Records - VA, published in the Federal Register. The requested information is considered relevant and necessary to determine maximum benefits provided under the law. Information submitted is subject to verification through computer matching programs with other agencies.

RESPONDENT BURDEN: VA may not conduct or sponsor, and respondent is not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. If you have comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, call 1-800-827-1000 for mailing information on where to send your comments.

Section 5502(d) of 38 U.S.C., as amended, provides that gratuitous benefits deposited by the Department of Veterans Affairs into the Personal Funds of Patients for a veteran during hospital treatment, institutional or domiciliary care and due the veteran at the date of his/her death will be paid in the following order of preference:

- (1) To the surviving spouse.
- (2) If the veteran left no surviving spouse or the surviving spouse is dead at the time of settlement, then to the adult or minor children in equal parts. (A "child" includes illegitimate, adopted and stepchildren.)
- (3) If no surviving spouse or child survives at the time of settlement, then to the dependent father and mother in equal parts, or all to the survivor. ("Father" and "Mother" includes persons other than natural parents who assumed the parental relationship to the veteran.)
- (4) In all other cases, only so much of the benefit may be paid as may be necessary to reimburse a person who bore the expense of last sickness and burial of the veteran.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATION: A separate claim must be filed on behalf of each minor or adult person for whom a share of the benefit is claimed.

All the information required in this application must be furnished and the questions must be answered fully. Answers must be written in a clear, legible hand, or typed. If any of the questions are not clear, and you want further information, write to VA for instructions. If you need more space to answer the questions, continue under "Remarks" or attach a sheet of paper and number the answers to correspond with the question on the application.

Existing law requires that claim for this benefit must be filed within five (5) years after the death of the veteran, or if any person so entitled is under legal disability at the time of the veteran's death, the five-year period shall run from the date of termination or removal of the legal disability.

Attach to this application certified statements and all other papers you are submitting in support of your claim. Write the veteran's name and claim number on each paper submitted. This is necessary for identification should they become separated from the application.

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

PROOF OF DEATH: Death of a veteran in a Government institution does not need to be proved by a claimant. Otherwise a certified copy of the public record of death should be furnished.

EVIDENCE ON FILE: If any of the evidence referred to has been previously filed in VA or is being filed by another claimant, it need not be filed in connection with this claim.

PROOF OF MARRIAGE: The marriage of a surviving spouse claiming benefit must be proved by furnishing a certified copy of the public or church record of marriage to the veteran and evidence of the dissolution of all prior marriages of the claimant and of the veteran, by furnishing a certified copy of the public record of death or decree of divorce from each former spouse.

PROOF OF RELATIONSHIP OF CHILD: If no surviving spouse survives, the age and relationship of each child claiming accrued pension or compensation should be proved by furnishing a copy of the public record of birth or a copy of the church record of baptism showing date of birth of each child and the names of the parents, certified over the signature of the custodian of such records.

PROOF OF RELATIONSHIP OF NATURAL OR ADOPTIVE MOTHER OR FATHER: A copy of the public record of birth or church record of baptism showing date of birth of the veteran and names of the parents and certified by the custodian of such records should be furnished. If neither of the records mentioned is obtainable, it is not necessary to establish one for the purpose of this claim. Instead you should submit the affidavit of the attending physician or midwife or the affidavits of two persons who have personal knowledge of the facts, showing the date of birth and the names of the parents and explaining the affiant's means of knowledge of the fact to which he or she testifies. If the veteran was an adopted child, a copy of the court order of adoption, certified by the custodian of the court record, should be furnished.

FOSTER MOTHER, OR FATHER OR STEPPARENTS (Person claiming to have stood in the relation of parent to the veteran): If the claimant is not the natural or adoptive parent of the veteran but was the last person who stood in the relation of parent to the veteran prior to his/her 21st birthday for a period of not less that one (1) year prior to his/her entrance into the active military or naval service, the claimant will be required to execute VA Form 21-524, Statement of Person Claiming To Have Stood in Relation of Parent, which will be furnished upon receipt of this application.

NET WORTH

Item 13A: Include market value of corporate stocks, checking accounts, bank deposits, savings accounts, cash and currency.

Item 13B: Do not include the value of the single dwelling unit or that portion of real property used solely as your principal residence. On all other real estate reduce the market value by amount of the indebtedness thereon.

Item 13C: Report the total market value of your rights and interest in all other property not included in Items 13A and 13B. Do not include value of ordinary personal effects necessary for your daily living such as clothing and furniture.

Item 13D: Report all debts except mortgage(s) on real estate.

Item 13E: Report the total of Items 13A though 13C less 13D. This should be our nest net worth

REIMBURSEMENT: If expenses of the veteran's or deceased beneficiary's last sickness and burial have not been paid, claim may be filed by the person who is responsible for the payment of these expenses, but THE REIMBURSEMENT WAIVER in Part IV of this form must be signed by all unpaid creditors. If such expenses have been paid, claim should be filed by the person or persons whose personal funds were used to pay such expenses. If the expenses were paid from funds of the deceased beneficiary's estate, claim should be filed by the executor or administrator thereof in which case there must also be submitted a copy of the letters of administration or letters testamentary certified over the signature and seal of the appointing court.

EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM: The claim must be accompanied by statements of account (preferably on the printed billheads) of all creditors whose services were rendered in connection with the expense of last sickness and burial, of the veteran or deceased beneficiary. These statements must show the name of the deceased for whom the services were rendered, the nature and cost of the services rendered, all credits, and the name of the person from whom payment in whole or in part was received.

PAYMENT OF FEES: The payment of any fee in the preparation of this application is prohibited by law.