



Headstone Inscription Request

Nebraska Veterans Cemetery at Alliance
2610 County Road 57
Alliance, NE 69301

Phone: (308) 763-2958
Toll Free: 877-420-7990
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Email: james.goodwin@nebraska.gov

INSTRUCTION SHEET

Nebraska Veterans Cemetery at Alliance uses the government issued upright marble headstone on casket and cremation graves. It is 24-26 inches tall above ground, 13 inches wide, 4 inches thick and weighs approximately 230 pounds. Variations may occur in stone color and the marble may contain light to moderate veining. This is the same style of headstone that is used at Arlington National Cemetery.

A MAXIMUM of 11 lines are available for inscription. Lines 1-4 have a MAXIMUM length of 13 characters; lines 5-11 have a MAXIMUM length of 15 characters. When completing the request, do not write outside of the boxes.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE FORM:

Please provide the following information in order: **(Items In Bold Are Mandatory)**

- **Emblem of Belief**
Enter the corresponding 2-digit number on Emblem of Belief line (*see "Authorized Emblems of Belief" page*)
- **Legal Name** (First Name, Middle Name or Initial, Last Name)
Nicknames are not permitted on these lines. Maiden names are allowed if space is available.
- **Rank** (*Do NOT use pay grade*)
Use the rank as listed on the DD Form 214 or Discharge papers (i.e. CPL, A1C, SSGT, etc.).
- **Branch** (i.e. US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, etc.)
- **War Period**
Allowed if the veteran was active duty during the war period. The war can be listed even if the individual never served in combat.
- **Date of Birth**
- **Date of Death**
- **Medals** (*Documentation must be provided*)
See Awards Page for medals that are allowed to be inscribed on the headstone.
- **Term of Endearment**
You may use one of the examples listed on our "Terms of Endearment" page; you may also request words or phrases that have special meaning to your family or the decedent. This is the place to include a nickname or list a unit, ship, or specific designation if desired.

PLEASE SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGE FOR EXAMPLES OF COMPLETED FORMS

A cemetery representative will gladly provide assistance with questions you have about this form, eligibility, or cemetery services.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit this form and appropriate documentation by mail, in person to the Veterans Cemetery Administration Building, or by email to james.goodwin@nebraska.gov



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VETERAN HEADSTONE

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY!!

ILLEGIBLE PRINTING COULD RESULT IN AN INCORRECT INSCRIPTION ON THE HEADSTONE.

Emblem of Belief:

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SPOUSE/DEPENDENT HEADSTONE

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Section & Site:

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Authorized Emblems of Belief

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01 Christian Cross		02 Buddhist (Wheel of Righteousness)		03 Judaism (Star of David)	
04 Presbyterian Cross		05 Russian Orthodox Cross		06 Lutheran Cross	
07 Episcopal Cross		08 Unitarian Church/Unitarian Universalist Association		09 United Methodist Church	
10 Aaronic Church		11 Mormon (Angel Moroni)		12 Native American Church of North America	
13 Serbian Orthodox		14 Greek Cross		15 Bahai (9 Pointed Star)	
16 Atheist		17 Muslim (Crescent and Star)		18 Hindu	
19 Konko-Kyo Faith		20 Community of Christ		21 Sufism Reoriented	
22 Tenrikyo Church		23 Seicho-No-IE		24 Church of World Messianity (Izunome)	
25 United Church of Religious Science		26 Christian Reformed Church		27 United Moravian Church	

Authorized Emblems of Belief (cont'd)

28 Eckankar		29 Christian Church		30 Christian & Missionary Alliance	
31 United Church of Christ		32 Humanist (American Humanist Association)		33 Presbyterian Church (USA)	
34 Izumo Taishakyo Mission of Hawaii		35 Soka Gakkai International – USA		36 Sikh (Khanda)	
37 Wicca (Pentacle)		38 Lutheran Church Missouri Synod		39 New Apostolic Church	
40 Seventh Day Adventist Church		41 Celtic Cross		42 American Cross	
43 Farohar		44 Messianic Jewish		45 Kohen Hands	
46 Catholic Celtic Cross		47 The First Church of Christ, Scientist (Cross and Crown)		48 Medicine Wheel	
49 Infinity		51 Luther Rose		52 Landing Eagle	
53 Four Directions		54 Church of Nazarene		98 Muslim (Islamic 5 Pointed Star)	Not shown due to copyright



Awards Authorized for Inscription

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All awards, citations, and military accomplishments are recognized as significant. It is our honor to bring credit to all veterans at any opportunity. Due to space limitations, only the following medals are approved for inscription on the headstones at this time.

AWARD	SHORT DESCRIPTION	AWARD	SHORT DESCRIPTION
2 Medals of Honor	2 Medals of Honor	Purple Heart & 4 Oak Leaf Clusters.....	PH & 4 OLC
Medal of Honor	Medal of Honor	Purple Heart & 4 Gold Stars	PH & 4 GS
Distinguished Service Cross & Oak Leaf Cluster.....	DSC & OLC	Purple Heart & 3 Oak Leaf Clusters.....	PH & 3 OLC
Distinguished Service Cross & Gold Star	DSC & GS	Purple Heart & 3 Gold Stars	PH & 3 GS
Distinguished Service Cross	DSC	Purple Heart & 2 Oak Leaf Clusters.....	PH & 2 OLC
Navy Cross & Gold Star	NC & GS	Purple Heart & 2 Gold Stars	PH & 2 GS
Navy Cross.....	NC	Purple Heart & Oak Leaf Cluster	PH & OLC
Air Force Cross & Oak Leaf Cluster	AFC & OLC	Purple Heart & Gold Star.....	PH & GS
Air Force Cross	AFC	Purple Heart	PH
Defense Distinguished Service Medal.....	DDSM	Merchant Marine Mariner's Medal	MMMM
Distinguished Service Medal.....	DSM	Defense Meritorious Service Medal.....	DMSM
Merchant Marine Distinguished Service Medal.....	MMDSM	Specially Meritorious Medal	SMM
Brevet Medal.....	BM	Meritorious Service Medal.....	MSM
Silver Star & 3 Oak Leaf Clusters.....	Silver Star & 3 OLC	Merchant Marine Meritorious Service Medal.....	MMMSM
Silver Star & 3 Gold Stars	Silver Star & 3 GS	Air Medal.....	AM
Silver Star & 2 Oak Leaf Clusters.....	Silver Star & 2 OLC	Joint Service Commendation Medal	JSCM
Silver Star & 2 Gold Stars	Silver Star & 2 GS	Army Commendation Medal.....	ARCOM
Silver Star & Gold Star.....	Silver Star & GS	Navy Commendation Medal	NCM
Silver Star & Oak Leaf Cluster	Silver Star & OLC	Air Force Commendation Medal	AFCM
Silver Star	Silver Star	Coast Guard Commendation Medal	CGCM
Defense Superior Service Medal.....	DSSM	Commendation Ribbon	CR
Legion of Merit.....	LM	Army Achievement Medal	AAM
Distinguished Flying Cross.....	DFC	Navy Achievement Medal	NAM
Soldiers Medal	SM	Air Force Achievement Medal.....	AFAM
Navy & Marine Corps Medal.....	N&MCM	Coast Guard Achievement Medal	CGAM
Airman's Medal	AMNM	Prisoner of War Medal	POWM
Coast Guard Medal	CGM	Prisoner of War	POW
Bronze Star Medal.....	BSM	Ex-Prisoner of War	EX-POW
Purple Heart & 5 Oak Leaf Clusters.....	PH & 5 OLC	Killed in Action.....	KIA
Purple Heart & 5 Gold Stars	PH & 5 GS	Missing in Action	MIA



Terms of Endearment Examples

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A Free Spirit
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Always With Us
American Hero
Among Friends
An Inspiration To All
At Peace
At Peace With God
At Rest
At Rest In God
Cherished Soul
Devoted Couple/Father Mother
Eternally Loved
Faithful To God & Country
Forever/Always Loved
Forever In Our Hearts
Forever Missed
Fought For Freedom
Gone But Not Forgotten
Gone Home
Heaven Bound
He Gave So Much
He Loved Life
Honored Here Forever
It Is Well With My Soul
Loving/Beloved (relationship)
Loving Couple/Parents
Love Never Dies
Memories Never End
Memories Never Fade

Missed/Loved By All Who Knew Him
My Best Friend
Never Forgotten
Now He Soars With Eagles
Only A Dream Away
Our Guardian Angel
Our Hero
Our Joy Is Jesus
Our Sun In The Sky
Out Of Harms Way
Peace At Last
Praise The Lord
Proud American
Proud Soldier
Proudly Served
Remembered By All
Rest In Peace
Sadly Missed
Safe In The Arms Of God
Sleeping With The Angels
Sleep Peacefully
Soldier Friend
The Lord Is My Shepherd
Together Forever
Touched The Lives Of Many
Until We Meet Again
We Love You
We Miss You
We Will Miss You Both
You Will Always Be Remembered