

## UNITED STATES VETERANS MARKER

The Veteran's Administration will furnish a headstone to identify a veteran's grave at no charge to you. If the grave is already marked, or you plan to mark the grave with another marker, the government will still provide a marker (*a new regulation since 2002*). The cemetery may charge for a foundation fee which will be your responsibility.

If you would like us to order the marker for you, all we need is a copy of the honorable discharge and your response to the following questions (*there is no additional charge by the funeral home for this service*):

**TYPE OF MARKER:**     flat bronze     flat granite     flat marble  
 upright granite     upright marble     bronze niche

**NAME ON MARKER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE OF BIRTH:** (*just year, or month, day, & year*) \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE OF DEATH:** (*just year, or month, day, & year*) \_\_\_\_\_

**BRANCH OF SERVICE:**     Army     Navy     Air Force  
 Marine     Coast Guard     Army Air Corps

**OPTIONS:** (you may choose only the options you desire, if any)

**RANK -** \_\_\_\_\_

**AWARDS-**     Medal of honor     Dst Svc Cross     Navy Cross  
 Air Force Cross     Silver Star     Purple Heart     Other \_\_\_\_\_

**WAR SERVICE-**     WWI     WWII     Korea  
 Vietnam     Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**RELIGIOUS EMBLEM-**     Cross     Star of David  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

***Where would you like the marker delivered?***

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

***Who will pay the foundation fee?*** \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>EATON-TUBBS</b> <i>Fayetteville Chapel</i> 637-3214	<b>NEWELL-FAY</b> <i>Manlius Chapel</i> 682-5300	<b>R.H. SCHEPP &amp; SON</b> <i>Minoa Chapel</i> 656-3132

## VETERANS BENEFITS

The federal governments' Veterans Administration makes available certain benefits to the survivors of deceased veterans. We at the funeral home can assist you with the applications and processing.

In order to file for any benefits through the Onondaga County Veterans Service Agency, an "honorable discharge" must be available. If you never had one or it has been lost, there are a few other options. Possibly the veteran himself filed the discharge at the county clerks office as they are encouraged to do at the time of actual discharge. If this hasn't been done, the final choice is to request a copy from the main archive of the Veteran Administration. This can be timely, but if this is the only option, let us know and we can supply the proper application form.

With an honorable discharge, every veteran is entitled to a flag, and a marker supplied by the government for the gravesite. The government will provide the marker, engrave it, and ship it to any point you desire. The foundation and installation fee must be paid for by the family to the cemetery; the government does not cover this expense. With a special request, another line may be left on the granite or marble markers for the veterans' spouse name.

A veteran who is in receipt of VA compensation, VA pension, or dies in a VA hospital is entitled to a \$300 "plot allowance" toward the purchase of a grave or the opening charge, and a \$300 "burial benefit". The Veterans Administration will also provide "transportation allowances". In addition to the \$300 plot allowance and the \$300 burial benefit, the government will cover all charges for transporting the body to its final interment. Usually this entails the funeral homes charges for the transfer of remains from the place of death and the use of the hearse on the day of the funeral.

It takes three to nine months for the government to process the claims. The flag can be presented to you as soon as we have an honorable discharge (we need the actual discharge, not a copy; the original should be returned to you by the Service Agency). The marker takes the longest to process and ship. The monetary benefits will be sent in the form of a check to the claimant listed on the applications (the funeral home if we file the applications for you in which case we will forward the check on to you). At each step of the process the VA will send updates to all concerned parties

This is a brief summary of the various veterans benefits. You may take care of the applications yourself by contacting the Onondaga County Veterans Service Agency on the 13th floor of the John Mulroy Civic Center, 421 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, New York 13201 (phone 315-435-3223), or let us know, and we can take care of everything for you; all you need do is supply us with the discharge.

**FLAT MARKER**  
BRONZE



This grave marker is 24 inches long, 12 inches wide, with 3/4 inch rise. Weight is approximately 18 pounds. Anchor bolts, nuts, and washers for fastening to a base are furnished with the marker. The base is not furnished by the Government.

**UPRIGHT HEADSTONE**  
GRAY GRANITE



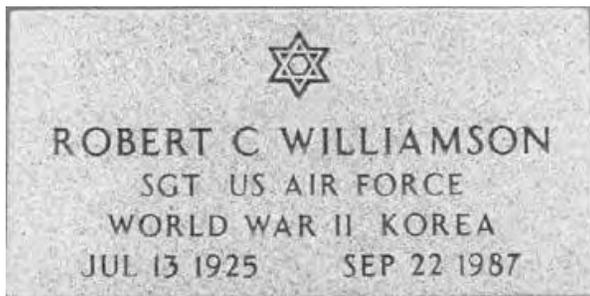
This headstone is 42 inches long, 13 inches wide, and 4 inches thick. Weight is approximately 230 pounds. Variations may occur in stone color.

**BRONZE NICHE**



This niche marker is 8-1/2 inches long, 5-1/2 inches wide, with 7/16 inches rise. Weight is approximately 3 pounds; mounting bolts and washers are furnished with the marker. For use if entombment is in a columbarium or mausoleum, but not to supplement a private monument.

**FLAT MARKER**  
LIGHT GRAY GRANITE  
OR WHITE MARBLE



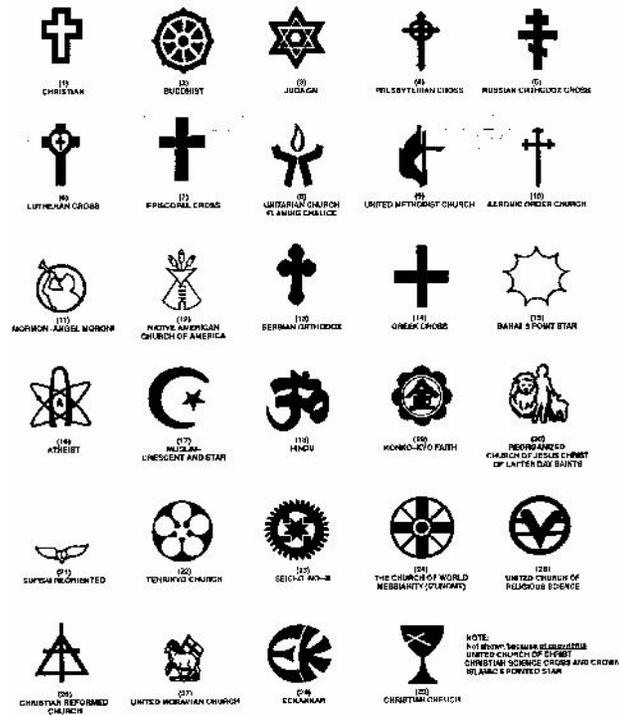
This grave marker is 24 inches long, 12 inches wide, and 4 inches thick. Weight is approximately 130 pounds. Variations may occur in stone color; the marble may contain light to moderate veining.

**UPRIGHT HEADSTONE**  
WHITE MARBLE



This headstone is 42 inches long, 13 inches wide, and 4 inches thick. Weight is approximately 230 pounds. Variations may occur in stone color, and the marble may contain light to moderate veining.

**EMBLEMS**



**INSCRIPTION INFORMATION**

**MANDATORY ITEMS** of inscription at Government expense are: Name, Branch of Service, Year of Birth, and Year of Death. Branches of Service are: U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Coast Guard, and by exception, U.S. Army Air Corps, and other parent organizations authorized for certain period of time. Different examples of inscription formats are illustrated above; *deviations in data sequence are not permitted.* More than one branch of service is permitted, subject to space availability.

**OPTIONAL ITEMS** which may be inscribed at Government expense, are: military grade, rate, or rank, war service, month and day of the dates of birth and death, an authorized emblem reflective of one's belief, and the valor awards and the Purple Heart. If any of these items are desired the information must be clearly documented and accompany the application.

**RESERVED SPACE** for future inscription at private expense, such as spousal or dependent data may be authorized below the standard inscription if requested. Only two lines of space may be reserved on flat markers due to space limitations. Reserved space is unnecessary on upright marble or granite headstones as the reverse side is available for future inscriptions.

**MEMORIAL HEADSTONES AND MARKERS** (remains are not buried). The words "In Memory of" are mandatory and precede the authorized inscription data. The words "In Memory of" are not inscribed when remains are buried.

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS** may be inscribed, at Government expense, *subject to VA approval*, below the standard inscription and subject to space limitations. Some additional inscription items may, of necessity, be placed on the rear of the headstone. Such items may be terms of endearment, nicknames (not unseemly in nature) in expressions such as OUR BELOVED POPPY, LOVINGLY CALLED DUTCH, representations of military and civilian participation or accomplishment, and titles such as DOCTOR, REVEREND, etc. Except for the Medal of Honor and authorized emblems of belief, no graphics, emblems or pictures are permitted on government monuments.