Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Pre-Registration Application

PREFERED ALABAMA STATE CEMETERY: □ Spanish Fort □ North Alabama

REQUEST TYPE: (Check all that apply)
- □ Pre-registration of Veteran
- □ Pre-registration of Spouse
- □ Pre-registration of Dependent Child

INTERMENT TYPE: (Check One)
- □ **Undecided** □ **Casket** □ **Cremation**

(Check one of below for cremations)
- □ Ground Plot
- □ Columbarium Wall
- □ Scattering Garden

Refer to the instructions on the next page.

VETERAN'S INFORMATION

Last Name _____ **First Name** _____ **Middle Name** _____
Address_____ **City**_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____
Daytime Phone (____) _____ **Cell Phone** (____) _____ **Email Address**_____
Gender □**Male** □**Female** **Date of Birth**_____ **Social Security #** _____

Marital Status □**Single** □**Married** □**Divorced** □**Widowed** □**Legally Separated** □ **Common Law** **(Prior to 1/2017)**

SERVICE RECORD (You **MUST** include a copy of each Form DD-214 or equivalent discharge document which verifies the dates and rank entered here.)

Service Branch_____ **Rank at Discharge** _____
Entry Date_____ **Separation Date**_____

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NEXT OF KIN CONTACT INFORMATION (Must be someone other than Veteran or Spouse)

Last Name _____ **First Name** _____ **Middle Name** _____
Address_____ **City**_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____
Daytime Phone (____) _____ **Cell Phone** (____) _____ **Email Address**_____
Relationship to Veteran_____
Use Contact information for □All Mailed Correspondence □Telephone Contact Only □Both

SPOUSAL/DEPENDENT INFORMATION (For Spousal application, a copy of the marriage license/certificate is required with this form. For dependent application, a copy of birth certificate and documented proof of dependency, if over the age of 18, are required with this form.)

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Authorization

I certify to the best of my knowledge, that all of the information provided on this application as well as the supporting documentation are true and correct**.**

Signature_____ **Printed Name** _____

Date_____ **If not the Veteran, relationship to Veteran**_____

Pre-Registration Application Instructions

Pre-Registration allows veterans and their eligible spouses or dependent children to establish **in advance** eligibility for interment at a Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery. There is no cost for pre-registration, and it does not obligate persons to be interred at the cemetery. Pre-registration is intended to simplify and assist the next of kin at the time of death. Please note that actual interment is subject to a final eligibility determination and availability.

Please complete the application as instructed below:

- Check the "preferred Alabama State Cemetery" box and select "Spanish Fort," OR "North Alabama."
- Check the "Pre-registration of Veteran" box and select "Interment Type." Eligible spouses and adult dependent children may also be pre-registered at the same time as the veteran, if so desired (see below).
- Complete the "Veteran's Information" and "Service Record" sections of the form. Please note that the "Service Record" information listed on this application is not in lieu of providing the Veterans Cemetery with a copy of each **Form DD-214** or equivalent discharge document that the veteran was issued. A copy of each of these documents **MUST** be included when submitting this application. Failure to provide the required service record document will delay processing of the application.
- Complete the "Spousal/Dependent Information" if the eligible spouse or dependent wishes to be interred in the Veterans Cemetery. A copy of the **marriage license or marriage certificate MUST** be included when submitting this application. Failure to provide a copy of the marriage license/certificate will delay processing the application.
- In certain circumstances, dependent children may also be eligible for interment. Complete the "Spousal/Dependent Information" if you wish to pre-register the eligible dependent child. A copy of the birth certificate and other eligibility documents must be included when submitting the application. Please contact the cemetery office for more information regarding dependent children, including the documentation required.
- The person completing the application should sign and date the form. Please indicate the relationship to the veteran. It is recognized that in certain cases the veteran my require assistance and not be the individual completing application.
- Each person who wishes to be interred must complete the attached Declaration of Citizenship or Alien Status for Interment in the Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

For questions or further information, please contact our Cemetery staff at (251) 625-1338, or via e-mail at cemetery@va.alabama.gov. Mail, fax, or email the completed application and copies of the required supporting documents to:

Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery

34904 American Patriots Way
Spanish Fort, AL 36527
Phone (251) 625-1338 Fax (251) 626-9204
cemetery@va.alabama.gov

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
DECLARATION OF CITIZENSHIP
OR ALIEN STATUS FOR INTERMENT

Alabama Act No. 2011-535, as amended by Alabama Act No. 2012-491, requires government agencies to verify the lawful presence in the United States of all applicants for a state or local public benefit before issuing any benefits. Any applicant applying for interment to any Alabama veterans cemetery, a state public benefit codified in Ala. Code §§ 31-5-3(d) (2011), must complete this form before the Alabama Department of Veterans' Affairs can issue any benefits. If an applicant is unable to complete the form, his/her family member may complete and sign this form on behalf of the applicant.

Directions: This form must be completed by ALL applicants for interment in any Alabama state veterans cemetery. All applicants must complete Sections I, II, and IV of this form. Applicants who indicate that they are not United States citizens or nationals must also complete Section III.

SECTION I – VETERAN INFORMATION

Name (Print or type):

_____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Current Address:_____

_____

County of Current Residence:_____ Date of Birth:_____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

SECTION II – CITIZENSHIP OR NATIONAL STATUS DECLARATION

Are you a citizen or national of the United States? (check one) _____ Yes _____ No

If you checked **YES**, complete Section IV (No additional documentation required.)

If you checked **NO**, complete Sections III and IV.

SECTION III – ALIEN STATUS

Are you an alien lawfully present in the United States? (check one) _____ Yes _____ No

If you checked **YES**, attach a legible copy of a document from List B on the back or other document as evidence of your status. Name of document attached:_____
Complete Section IV.

If you checked **NO**, complete Section IV.

SECTION IV – DECLARATION

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Alabama that the answers and evidence I provided are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this public benefit is granted pending verification of my lawful presence in the United States. I further understand that if at any time it is determined that I am not lawfully present in the United States, the ADVA will deny this benefit or will terminate this benefit and will seek repayment of any benefit awarded on my behalf.

_____ _____
Applicant's Signature Date

_____ _____
Family Member's Signature (only if applicant is unable to sign) Date

SECTION I – SPOUSE INFORMATION

Name (Print or type):

_____

(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Current Address:_____

_____

County of Current Residence:_____ Date of Birth:_____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

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If you checked **NO**, complete Sections III and IV.

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DOCUMENTS INDICATING QUALIFIED ALIEN STATUS

Evidence of "Qualified Alien" status includes the following:

Alien Lawfully Admitted for Permanent Residence

- Form I-551 (Alien Registration Receipt Card, commonly known as a "green card"); or
- Unexpired Temporary I-551 stamp in foreign passport or on * I Form-94

Asylee

- Form I-94 annotated with stamp showing grant of asylum under section 208 of the INA;
- Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated "274a. 12(a) (50", or
- Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated "A5";
- Grant letter from the Asylum Office of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service; or
- Order of an immigration judge granting asylum.

Refugee

- Form I-94 annotated with stamp showing admission under §207 of the INA;
- Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated "274a. 12(a) (3)"; or
- Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated "A3"

Alien Paroled Into the U.S. for at Least One Year

- Form I-94 with stamp showing admission for at least one year under section 212 (d) (5) of the INA. (Applicant cannot aggregate periods of admission for less than one year to meet the one year requirement.)

Alien Whose Deportation or Removal Was Withheld

- Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated "274a. 12(a) (10);
- Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated "A10"; or
- Order from an immigration judge showing deportation withheld under §243(h) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1997, or removal withheld under §241 (b) (3) of the INA.

Alien Granted Conditional Entry

- Form I-94 with stamp showing admission under §203(a)(7) of the INA;
- Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated "274a. 12(a) (3)"; or
- Form I-766 Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated "A3"

Cuban/Haitian Entrant

- Form I-551 (Alien Registration Receipt Card, commonly known as a "green card") with the code CU6, CU7, or CH6;
- Unexpired temporary I-551 stamp in foreign passport or on * Form I-94 with the code CU6 or CU7; or
- Form I-94 with stamp showing parole as "Cuba/Haitian Entrant "under Section 212(d) (5) of the INA.

Alien Who Has Been Declared a Battered Alien Subjected to Extreme Cruelty

- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service petition and supporting documentation