

HERO'S HANDBOOK

Cobb County Civic Center- August 4-5, 2023



WHO ARE WE?

United Military Care, established in 2012, is a nonprofit that serves Georgia Veterans.

In 2022, United Military Care created a two-day event bringing all available benefits and programs for veterans to one location. The goal was to provide a convenient atmosphere for Veterans of any age or situation to receive the help they needed. Over 3,000+ Veterans received one-on-one professional care with VA benefits, enrollment, claims, mental and physical health needs, legal assistance, and financial wellness. Due to the event's success and positive comments from the Veterans and their families who participated, United Military Care has scheduled three Fairs in 2023.

The ***We CARE Veterans Fair*** is a collaboration of multiple nonprofit and government agencies currently serving veterans and their families. Veterans of all ages, backgrounds, military histories, and branches of service are welcome at our events.



In addition to the professionals on-site helping Veterans at the Fairs, we wanted to give you a helpful booklet to refer to services you may need in the future.

The Hero's Handbook includes those organizations serving Veterans in your local area.

While we hope this answers many of your questions, should you need additional information, please get in touch with us at United Military Care; Veterans are our mission.

On behalf of the entire team at United Military Care, thank you for your military service.

United Military Care
(770) 973-0014

email info@unitedmilitarycare.org
online www.unitedmilitarycare.org



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**Veterans
Crisis Line**



**DIAL 988 then
PRESS 1**

1st Care Management

- Mobile Internal & Geriatric Family Practice
- Transitional & Chronic Care
- Home Visits

1stcaremanagement.com 833-633-4778



AARP of Georgia

AARP is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that empowers people to choose how they live as they age.

states.aarp.org/georgia 866-295-7281



Affordable Medicare Solutions

- Medical and VA Health Benefits
- Resource Connector

affordablemedicaresolutions.com 770-945-5261



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- Better Hearing Health
- Phones Caption Voice on Screen
- Contact Storage for easier Dialing

captioncall.com 678-476-5682



Cobb Senior Services

- Community Service Centers
- Meals on Wheels & Food Assistance
- Assistive Technology

cobbcounty.org/seniorservices 770-528-5355



VETERANS AROUND TOWN EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Cobb Senior Services Veteran Outreach Monthly Meetings

Veteran Connections are monthly meeting for all veterans at the following locations:

Days	Time	Location
2nd Tuesdays	10:00 AM	Freeman Poole Senior Center 4025 S. Hurt Rd Smyrna 30082
2nd Wednesdays	10:00 AM	Senior Wellness Center 1150 Powder Springs St Marietta 30064
3rd Wednesdays	10:00 AM	Tim D. Lee Senior Center 3332 Sandy Plains Rd Marietta, 30066
3rd Tuesdays	10:00 AM	West Cobb Regional Library 1750 Dennis Kemp Lane Kennesaw, 30152
4th Wednesdays	6:00 PM	WOMEN ONLY Switzer Library 266 Roswell St Marietta 30060
4th Thursdays	10:00 AM	North Cobb Senior Center 3900 S Main St Acworth 30101

For more information, contact Mike Nichols: 770-528-1448 or mike.nichols@cobbcounty.org

Georgia Funeral Care

- Affordable, ethical funeral options
- Military Funerals & Cremations
- Veterans Burial Benefits

georgiafuneralcare.com 678-574-3016



Georgia War Veterans Home-Pruitt Health

- Veteran Requirement Education
- High Quality, Safe environment
- Memory Support Unit

veterans.georgia.gov/state-war-veterans-homes
478-445-6000



Griswold Home Care

- Assist with VA qualified home services
- Qualify & assist with VA & Aid and Attendance
- Paid service through VA Community Care Network

griswoldhomecare.com 877-268-3277



VETERANS AROUND TOWN EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

The Aviation History and Technology Center adjacent to Dobbins ARB & Lockheed is looking for a few good men and women volunteers!



ahtc360.org/get-involved/volunteer/

Homewatch Caregivers of East Cobb

- In-home visits and assistance with chores and services
- Post-surgical, dementia, and Parkinson's care
- VA reimbursement assistance

homewatchcaregivers.com/east-cobb 404-812-5527



JenCare Senior Medical Center

- VIP healthcare for seniors and veterans
- Transportation, Pharmacy, & Special Events
- Assist with state and federal benefits

jencaremed.com 855-845-9333



JenCare Senior
Medical Center
A CHENMED COMPANY

Senior Medicare Patrol

- Protect yourself from Medicare fraud
- Detect fraud and abuse
- Reporting

stopmedicarefraud.org 877-272-8720



Skylark Senior Care

- Adult veteran day health program
- Activity Centers
- Transportation

skylarkseniorcare.com 404-738-9535



Tapestry Hospice

- We honor "End of Life" Program
- Veteran to Veteran Volunteers
- Compassionate & Professional Care

tapestryhospice.com 706-383-8812



Atlanta Electrical Contractors Association

- Education & Training with job placement
- Apprenticeships
- Connection to trade industry partners

atlantaelectrical.org 770-454-6400



American Legion Dept. of Georgia

- Employment workshops
- GI Bill information
- Scholarships

Contact Sam Perry samuel.l.perry@icloud.com



Atlanta Center for Self Sufficiency

- Employment assistance and Job certifications
- Case management
- Clothing Closet & Food Pantry

atlantacss.org 404-874-8001



Chattahoochee Technical College - VECTR

- College admissions and registration
- GA Dept. Veteran Services on Campus
- Community resources for food, housing

chattahoocheetech.edu/veteran-services 770-528-3492



Work Source Cobb|Cobb Works

- Employment training
- Workshops
- Accountability Court Assistance

worksourcecobb.org 770-738-7923

cobbworks.org



ESGR-Employer Support of the Guard & Reserve

- Support Guard & Reserve Employees and Employers
- Promote supportive work environments for Guard & Reserve
- Conflict resolution with Employers of Guard & Reserve

esgr.mil/About-ESGR/Contact/Local-State-Pages/Georgia

1-800-336-4590 Option 1



Georgia State University

- Upward Bound Program - Free Training
- Registration Assistance for Veterans
- GI Bill Assistance

military.gsu.edu 4044131712



Goodwill of North Georgia

- Enroll community resources (SNAP, WIC, TANF, Medicaid)
- Employment and Soft Skills training and placement
- Digital Literacy

goodwilling.org/ 770-538-4209



Hire Heroes

- Free personalized employment assistance

hireheroesusa.org/ 844-634-1520



Home Depot

- Path to Pro for Veterans
- Build Work Portfolio
- Train Under Industry Experts

careers@homedepot.com



Lincoln Tech

- Training and Education
- Auto, Health Science, IT, HVAC, Welding & Electrical
- GI Bill Assistance

lincolntech.edu 844-398-6137



SK Battery

- Specialized Veteran Employee Groups
- Veteran Resource and Service Officers
- Dedicated HR Representative

eng.sk.com/companies/sk-on 706-362-6782



Worksource Georgia

- Employment Cobb & Cherokee Counties
- Resume writing
- Disabled Veteran Outreach Program

tcsg.edu/worksource/worksource-georgia-services/
770-590-6626



ASFIP Foundation – CFA Society

- Saving, Investing
- Credit Worthiness & Scoring
- Avoid Fraud & Identity Theft

_cfaatlanta.org/AboutFoundation



Dream Home Georgia Community Affairs

- Assist first-time home buyers with down payment
- Assist with closing costs
- Second home purchase (Select Counties)

dca.ga.gov/safe-affordable-housing/homeownership/georgia-dream
404- 679-4840



First Command

- Budgeting/Saving strategy
- Investing strategy
- Insurance strategy

firstcommand.com/ 678-783-8577



Mortgage Assistance GA Community Affairs

- Mortgage assistance due to financial hardship

dca.ga.gov/safe-affordable-housing/homeownership/georgia-mortgage-assistance-program
404- 679-4840



LGE Community Credit Union

- Join LGE Community
- Open checking, savings, and investment account
- Learn how to save and invest

lgeccu.org/ 770-424-0060



Vetted VA – VA Home Loans

- Free credit review and analysis
- Free review of home loan documents
- Free home loan tool kit

vettedva.com/georgia-loan-officer-realtors/#Loan-Officer
903-364-8580



Cobb Senior Services - Meals on Wheels

Through the Meals on Wheels program, Cobb County provides a nutritionally balanced meal delivered to qualifying home-bound older adults within the county.

cobbcounty.org/senior-services/resources/meals-on-wheels
770- 528-5364



MEALS  N WHEELS

SNAP Enrollment - Goodwill of N. Georgia

- SNAP Enrollment

snapworks@ging.org 844-344-9675



Sweetwater Mission

- Enroll weekly/monthly food program
- Social Workers for additional help

sweetwatermission.org 770-819-0662



VETERANS AROUND TOWN EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



September 23, 2023
sweetwatermission.org/golf



November 4, 2023
walkforthebrave.com



Give Thanks For Those Who Served
info@unitedmilitarycare.org
November 4, 2023



Casino Night
August 29, 2023

vetsandplayers.org/mvp-events/casino-night-23



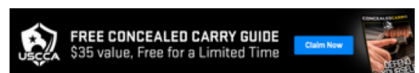
Post 29 - Big Chicken

27th Annual Horace Orr
Post 29 Charity Golf
Tournament
September 18, 2023
post29marietta.org



americantrailhead.com

Stay Tuned!
New Store &
Warehouse
Open this Fall!!



Genesis Joy House

- Temporary Housing for Female Veterans
- Improve Quality of Life
- Teach Self-Sufficiency Skills

genesisjoyhouse.com 478-236-2207



HOPE Atlanta

- Fighting veteran homelessness with SSVF
- VA coordination of benefits
- Funding to assist with move in costs

hopeatlanta.org/ 404-817-7070



Mighty Hero Homes

- Create permanent, affordable housing for homeless veterans
- Wrap around case management
- Community support and involvement

mightyherohomes.org/ 770-842-1483



MUST Ministries

- Hope House Shelter
- Permanent Supportive Housing Program

mustministries.org 770-427-9862



The Veterinary Clinic - The Bear Project

- Promote responsible pet ownership
- Help humans build life long relationships with their pets
- Food & Medical assistance to those financially struggling

theveterinaryclinic.net/pet-rescue 770-428-3381



United Military Care, Inc.

- Developer & Producer of We CARE Veteran Fairs
- Homeless Veteran backpacks for First Responders
- Community Organization and Collaboration

unitedmilitarycare.org 770-973-0014



Kindred Barber & Beauty Academy

- Supervised Student Services
- Call for an appointment

loisreece.org/ 678-977-8180



STUDENT SERVICES

All services are performed by students under an Instructor's supervision. Pricing menu:

CUT

- Men's Basic Haircut: 10
- Kids Basic Haircut: 7
- Women's Shampoo, Haircut & Style: 25
- Beard or Mustache Trim/line (with trimmers): 5
- Razor Trim/line: 7

STYLE

- Shampoo & Thermal Style: 25
- Shampoo & Wetset: 25
- Shampoo, Blowdry & Cornrows: 30
- Shampoo, Style & Updo: 30
- Detangle: 10
- Deep Conditioning Treatment: 10

TEXTURE

- Virgin Relaxer: 40
- Relaxer: 30
- Permanent Wave: 30
- Reformation Curl: 45

FACIALS

- Deluxe Facial: 15
- Basic Facial: 10

COLOR

- Color: 30
- Full Foil: 45
- Partial Foil: 35
- Up to 20 Foils
- Full Lightening & Toner: 45
- Hair is lightened and toned with color of choice
- Full Bleach/Decoloring: 30
- Rinse: 10
- Add 2nd Highlight Color: 5
- Individual Highlights: 5
- Up to 5 Foils

CORE Community Organized Relief

- Sign up SNAP|WIC|Tanf|Medicaid
- COVID & Flu Vaccinations
- Narcan Kits

coreresponse.org



VETERANS AROUND TOWN EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



VetBuds Johns Creek
"Veterans Supporting Veterans"
3rd Wed @ Month 0730
Uptown Cafe, Nesbit Ferry Rd.



Fallen Heroes
Bike Run
September 23, 2023
Southern Devil
Harley Davidson

Event Page



Veteran Voices
Online Exhibition



Free Lifetime Park Passes



Free Pie Tuesday
Warrior Wednesday
Poker Night Wednesday
Ooh Rah Rah Comedy



Ride to Support Veterans
September 16, 2023
Wade Green Village
KSU @ 11:00 AM
Public Welcome

Cobb County District Attorney

- Alternative Case Resolution
- Child Support Enforcement
- Family Advocacy Center

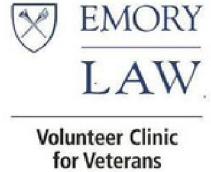
cobbcounty.org/courts/district-attorney 770- 528-3080



Emory School of Law Veteran Volunteer Project

- Free basic estate planning
- Wills, Powers of Attorney
- Advanced Healthcare Directive

law.emory.edu/academics/clinics/student-led-clinics/volunteer-clinic-for-veterans.html 404-727-1044



Georgia Justice Project

- Early Probation Termination Options
- Charge Expungement Options
- Resources & Rights of Individuals with Criminal Record

gjp.org [404-827-0027](tel:404-827-0027)



The Warrior Alliance

- Legal assistance through Veterans Legal Services Network
- Total Care Service Network
- Activities and engagement for local veteran community

thewarrioralliance.org 404- 210-1776



VETERANS AROUND TOWN EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



Veterans Day Parade
November 11, 2023
marietta.gov



Veterans 5K
Saturday, November 11
Marietta Square
post29marietta.org



Q3 Summit
Women Veterans
vetlanta.org



Post 5408
Bingo Nights
Thurs., Sat & Sun

Local Groups & Organizations

American Legion Post 29

- Veteran Resources (Food, Clothing, Shelter)
- Fellowship with other Veterans
- Veterans Serving Veterans

post29marietta.org/ 770-427-5900



American Trailhead

- Get into the great outdoors
- Firearm safety, education and storage
- Firearm shooting sports and resources

americantrailhead.com 866-443-5531



You belong here.

Atlanta History Center

- Free information on Atlanta History Center
- Free information on Veterans History Project
- Learn about exhibits, offerings, and free admission

atlantahistorycenter.com 404-814-4000



Aviation History & Technology Center

- Experience a panoramic view of local aviation history
- Awareness and support of STEM and ROTC programs
- Develop and increase appreciation of military and veterans

ahtc360.org 770-919-5700



AVVBA

- Vietnam Veterans assisting other Veterans

avvba.org 678-685-1475



The AVVBA was founded in 1981 to promote patriotism and sponsor activities of a patriotic nature among the business community; to recognize those who served and honor those who gave their lives in the Vietnam War; to promote the positive image of the Vietnam veteran, their dependents and the widows and orphans of deceased Vietnam veterans. AVVBA members look forward to monthly meetings for fellowship and service to the veteran community.

Local Groups & Organizations

Catalyst Sports

- Veteran sports and opportunities
- Indoor & Outdoor Climbs
- Camping and Road Cycling

catalystsports.org 404-856-0513



Cobb Senior Services-Vet Connect

- Monthly meetings at 5 locations
- Special Guests/Speakers
- Events/Trips

cobbcounty.org/senior-services/veteran-connection 770-528-1448



Cobb Library System

- Books/CDs/Games at all Library Locations for Check Out
- Special events/speakers
- Genealogy & Online Resources

cobbcounty.org/library 770- 528-2320



Cobb Veterans Memorial

- Resources you are entitled to
- Recognition you deserve
- Respect you earned

cobbveteransmemorial.com 404-285-3357



Connecting Cobb Veterans-Cobb Collaborative



- Connect veterans with Cobb community resources
- Provide personalized assistance to Veterans seeking help
- Promote our contact information to the public at large

cobbcollaborative.org/connecting-cobb-veterans 470-479-1551

Disabled American Veterans - DAV

- Free professional assistance to obtain benefits
- Extending hope in communities
- Opportunities for Veterans to serve

dav.org/find-your-local-office/



Never give up.

Local Groups & Organizations

Georgia Library Service For the Blind and Print Disabled

- Free talking books
- Free equipment

georgialibraries.org/gls-toolkit/ 404-235-7200



Georgia Military Women

- Social networking for female veterans
- Conferences, meetups and retreats
- Referrals to veteran resources and benefits

facebook.com/georgiamilitarywomen/



Georgia Vietnam Veterans Alliance-GVVA

- Cobb Veteran Court Mentors
- Ride Share for Veterans
- Veterans events and commraderie

gvva1.org



Hero Ag

- Helps reintegrating Veterans through agriculture
- Support for agriculture opportunities for Veterans

heroag.com 706-459-1911



We CARE about you!

Local Groups & Organizations

Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield-National Parks

- Free life-time passes for veterans
- Hiking & History
- Improve physical and mental well being

nps.gov/kemo/index.htm 770-427-4686



MVP Merging Vets and Players

- Connecting combat veterans with former professional athletes
- Promote personal development
- You are never alone!

vetsandplayers.org/locations/atlanta



Military Order of the Purple Heart

- Scholarships-Spouses, Children & Grandchildren
- Purple Heart Smiles Orthodontic Assistance
- Fraternity & Fellowship

purpleheart.org



Patriot Guard Riders

- Standing for those who stood for us
- Riding with Respect
- HOTH- Help on the Homefront

patriotguard.org/ga-state-page/



Preservation Legacy Chronicles

- One-on-one interviews, telling veterans' stories
- Preservation of American History

scaolo.com 718-213-6400



Preservation
Legacy
Chronicles
a Non-Profit 501c3

Rosie the Riveter Association

- Recognize and preserve the history of working women and volunteers
- Promote cooperation and fellowship
- Advance patriotism and loyalty to the USA

rosietheriveter.net 888-557-6743



You matter!

Local Groups & Organizations

Superior Pets for Patriotic Vets

- Free pet adoption for veterans
- Alleviate emotional scars with support animal
- Companion animals



facebook.com/SuperiorPetsForPatrioticVets/

Travis Manion Foundation

- Empower active duty troops, veterans and families
- Bring military community together
- Mentorship and Service



travismanion.org 215-348-9080

VFW-Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5408

- Camaraderie with other Veterans
- Connections to assist Veteran Challenges
- Voice on Capital Hill



vfw5408.org/ 770-974-0958

6888 Battalion

Motto: "No Mail, Low Morale" Nickname: "The Six-Triple Eight"

The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, nicknamed the "Six Triple Eight", was a predominantly black battalion of the Women's Army Corps. The 6888th had 855 women, amongst whom were three Latinas, both enlisted and officers, and was led by Major Charity Adams.

womenofthe6888th.org



Thank you for your service.

Camp Southern Ground

- Warrior week programs for Veterans
- Veteran family camp and summer camp
- Warrior PATHH Veterans & First Responders



**CAMP
SOUTHERN
GROUND**

campsouthernground.org 678- 561-9600

"There is hope, even when your brain tells you there isn't." — John Green

Cobb Salutes



- Mental health awareness
- Free Assessments
- First Responders, Military, Veterans, Front Line Medical

cobbsalutes.org 678-895-1159

Elizabeth Dole Foundation

Strengthen, empower, and support America's military and veteran caregivers and their families by raising public awareness, driving research, championing policy, and leading collaborations that make a significant impact on their lives.



elizabethdolefoundation.org

Emory Health Care Veterans Program

- 2 Week intensive outpatient PTSD program
- Telehealth & In-person stress management
- Medication Management



emoryhealthcare.org/veterans 888-407-2307 or 888-514-5345

The Extension

- Residential in-patient treatment of homeless Cobb veterans
- Psychotherapy, education, and counseling
- Free Addiction treatment



theextension.org 770-590-9075



Highland Rivers

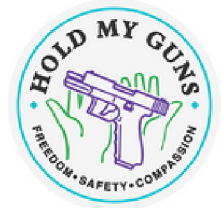
- Veteran's Mental Health Options & Treatment
- Substance Abuse
- Suicide Prevention

highlandrivers.org +1-800-729-5700

Hold My Guns

- Voluntary firearms storage
- Crisis awareness training
- Mental Health Advocacy

holdmyguns.org



McKenna Farms Therapy Services

- Horses Helping Heroes
- Ten free Therapeutic Sessions
- Volunteer Opportunities

mckennafarms.org 770-443-9672



Marietta Vet Center

- Confidential Counseling
- Support for Military, Veterans and Families
- Community Support

va.gov/marietta-vet-center/ 404-327-4954



SHARE Military Initiative

- Individual treatment for veterans with traumatic brain injuries
- Care for U.S. Service Members and First Responders with Brain Injury and Related Physical and Psychological Health Concerns

shepherd.org/patient-programs/share-military-initiative
404-603-4314



Dr. Vogel, John.

- PTSD Treatment Options
- Non-opiate Pain Management
- Retired Army Physician

drjohnvogel.com 404-445-8175



John Vogel D.O.
Innovative Pain Care, LLC

Cobb|Douglas Public Health

- Health Education and Testing
- Vital Statistics, including Home Bound
- HIV Testing, Treatment and Support

cobbanddouglaspublichealth.org 770-514-2300



Center for Movement Challenges

- Strength, Mobility & Cardio training free for Veterans
- Venue promoting social connections
- Learn A New Skill

centerformovementchallenges.org 404- 548-5521



Eclectic Pathway Tai Chi

- Meditative State of Mind
- Balance Improvement, Fall Prevention
- Health Rehabilitation

404-271-2353



Lions Lighthouse Foundation-Vision Assistance

- Vision Screening
- Eye surgery financial support
- Resources for free exams and low cost glasses

lionslighthouse.org 404-325-3630



Parkinson's Foundation

- Support for Veterans with Parkinson's
- Resources for Parkinson's
- Free Hospital Safety Kit

parkinson.org 800-473-4636



VSP Eyes of Hope



EYES OF HOPE™

VSP Vision Eyes of Hope addresses barriers of income, distance, and disaster to provide equitable access to eye care and eyewear where it's needed most.

vspvision.com/eyes-of-hope.html

Remember:
You are not forgotten.
Your service mattered.
You are loved.
We CARE!
It is never too late.
You are not alone.
Caregivers need love too.
Call Us With Questions.
770-973-0014



Cobb County Board of Elections

- Voter Registration
- Education Materials
- Poll Worker Opportunities

cobbcounty.org/elections 770-528-2581



Cobb Emergency Management Agency-CERT

- Provide Disaster Preparedness Training
- Emergency Readiness Information
- Volunteer Opportunities

cobbcounty.org/emergency-management/training 770-499-4568



Georgia Department of Driver Services

- Enroll in SECURE ID
- Veteran Drivers License
- Veteran ID Card

dds.georgia.gov



Georgia Department Veteran Services

- Receive assistance on PACT Act, VA Claims & Appeals
- Connect with Community Resources via Unite GA
- Suicide Prevention, Cemeteries, War Veteran Homes

veterans.georgia.gov 404-656-2300



Social Security Administration

- Replace Social Security Cards
- Assistance with Retirement, Disability, SSI
- Benefit Verification Letters

ssa.gov



VA - Health Issues

- Educate & Enroll VA Health Care
- Prescription & Specialist Information
- Educate and Promote Healthy Living

va.gov/atlanta-health-care/

VA



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

VA- Benefits & Claims

- PACT Act
- Claims Status, Processing, and Filing
- Veteran Benefits

benefits.va.gov/Atlanta/

VA



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

Did You Know?

The Veterans Administration (VA) is divided into 3 Main Branches:

Veterans Health Administration: Anything related directly to your physical or mental health, disability treatment (not payment), illness, and/or recovery by medical personnel.

Veterans Benefits Administration: Includes claims for disability (not actual medical treatment), applications for programs offered by the VA such as Aid & Attendance, Vehicle Modification due to disability, Education, and Training. Benefits do not involve a physical examination or doctors' appointments.

National Cemetery Administration: Concerning burial or cremation in a military cemetery, benefits and/or payments towards costs.

Things to keep in mind when trying to navigate any or all of the VA's main branches listed above:

1. Each branch has its own budget and structure.
2. The branches don't necessarily update each other. For example, Changing your address with one doesn't mean each branch will show the update.
3. Think of the three branches like three different military services, Army, Air Force and Marine Corps. Each work independently but towards the same goal in protecting America.
4. Have your act together when you call or email. Think of the questions you wish to ask, have your calendar at hand along with any other important papers or records.

Did You Know? - Helpful Links For More Information

Hearing Aids: https://www.prosthetics.va.gov/psas/Hearing_Aids.asp

Vision Care: <https://www.va.gov/health-care/about-va-health-benefits/vision-care/>

Dental Care: <https://www.va.gov/health-care/about-va-health-benefits/dental-care/>

GI Bill: <https://www.va.gov/education/about-gi-bill-benefits/>

Veteran Readiness: <https://www.va.gov/careers-employment/vocational-rehabilitation/>

VA Pension: <https://www.va.gov/pension/>

Avoid Scams: <https://www.fcc.gov/veterans-targeted-benefits-scams>

Report Veteran Fraud: <https://www.fcc.gov/veterans-targeted-benefits-scams>

Welcome Home!

Did You Know? - Request DD214, Military Records

You can request your military records four ways:

1. **Online** through <https://milconnect.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/>. If you still need to be signed up with milconnect, see New User registration in the top right corner.
2. **Mail or Fax Form** Request Pertaining to Military Records (Standard Form SF 180) to the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC). Download Form 180 here <https://www.va.gov/find-forms/about-form-sf180/>
3. **Write a letter** to the NPRC, 1 Archives Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63138
4. **Contact Georgia Department Veterans Service** by calling (404) 656-5940 or visiting your local office. See a map of all GDVS locations at <https://veterans.georgia.gov/locations/veterans-field-service-office-near-you>

**If you are not the Veteran and would like to request records, visit <https://www.va.gov/records/get-military-service-records/#youll-need-to-sign-in-to-milco> and scroll down for options.*

Did You Know? - Plan a Burial or Cremation for Veteran at Federal or State Cemetery

Call our **National Cemetery** Scheduling Office at 800-535-1117. We can help you get the Veteran's DD214 or other discharge documents you may need.

Get more information about planning a burial <https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/schedule-a-burial/>

If you have a pre-need decision letter that confirms eligibility To start, you or the funeral director can call the National Cemetery Scheduling Office at 800-535-1117 (TTY: 711) to request a burial. We're here Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. ET, and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ET.

Keep in mind that the pre-need decision letter doesn't identify a specific cemetery or gravesite, since it's not possible to reserve these in advance. In some cases, we may review your eligibility again at your time of death, as laws and circumstances may have changed since your pre-need application.

The **GDVS maintains two veterans' memorial cemeteries**. These two locations provide final resting places for Georgia's veterans and serve as shrines to their memory and their service to our nation. Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Glennville and the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Milledgeville. Visit <https://veterans.georgia.gov/services/memorial-cemeteries/requirements-burial> for more information or call (404) 656-5940

Did You Know? - Request a Digital Veteran ID Card (Not Medical Related)

A Veteran ID Card (VIC) is a digital form of photo ID you can use to get discounts offered to Veterans at many restaurants, hotels, stores, and other businesses. To find out if you're eligible for a Veteran ID Card—and how to apply, go to <https://www.va.gov/records/get-veteran-id-cards/vic/>

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Did You Know? - Replace Military Medals and Ribbons

For the **Veteran**: in general, the military services will work replacement medal requests for the veteran at no cost. This includes family members with the signed authorization of the veteran.

For the **Next-of-Kin**: the process (and cost) for replacement medals requests differs among the service branches and is dependent upon who is requesting the medal, particularly if the request involves an archival record.

For the **General Public**: if the service member separated from military service 62 (or more) years ago, the public may purchase a copy of the veteran's Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) to determine the awards due and obtain the medals from a commercial source. If the service member separated less than 62 years ago, the public may request such information from the OMPF via the Freedom of Information Act (see Access to OMPFs by the General Public).

Visit <https://www.archives.gov/veterans/replace-medals> for more information and forms.

Did You Know? - VA Home Loans

The VA offers VA home loan programs to help you buy, build, or improve a home or refinance your current home loan—including a VA direct loan and 3 VA-backed loans. Learn more about the different programs, and find out if you can get a Certificate of Eligibility for a loan that meets your needs. Visit <https://www.va.gov/housing-assistance/home-loans/loan-types/> To request a COE/Certificate of Eligibility visit <https://www.va.gov/housing-assistance/home-loans/how-to-request-coe/>

Did You Know? - Modify Home for Disability

If you need to change or upgrade your home due to a disability, visit <https://www.va.gov/housing-assistance/disability-housing-grants/how-to-apply/> to learn about grants to help pay for the construction and modification.

Did You Know? - VA Offers Life Insurance

VA life insurance can offer financial security for Veterans, service members, and their spouses and dependent children. Explore your options, manage your policy, and file claims to get the insurance benefits you've earned. Visit <https://www.va.gov/life-insurance/> to learn more and apply.

Did You Know? - Automobile Allowance Disabled Veterans

Do you have a disability related to your military service that prevents you from driving? If you do, you may be able to get disability compensation or benefits. Visit <https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility/special-claims/automobile-allowance-adaptive-equipment/> to learn more.

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