MARYLAND NATIONAL GUARD
HONOR GUARD

“In Solemn Dignity”

Rest now, fallen comrade,
For I bear honor upon your sacred place.
Rest now, fallen comrade,
For I stand casting freedom
Upon your resting place.
Fight no more, fallen comrade,
For I am here to see we are free.
For I will stand, fallen comrade,
Having full knowledge my dress and actions reflect on those that surround me,
For I represent a nation
And the state in which I serve.
So rest now, fallen comrade,
For I will bear honor upon this sacred place you now honor.

-SGT Christopher Adams
MDNG Honor Guard

With deep humility and respect, we consider it a privilege to provide military honors to our deceased veterans

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For Army or Air Force Veteran Funeral Honors
Please contact MDNG Honor Guard offices:

(410) 576-6133

For Marine Corps Veterans
(703) 432-9524
(866) 826-3628

For Navy Veterans
Baltimore Area  (301) 677-0476
Washington Area  (202) 433-4589
Eastern Shore (757) 322-2817/3120

For Coast Guard Veterans
(757) 686-4116
(202) 372-4013

If for any reason you cannot get in contact with someone at the number for your respective service, please call the Army & Air Force number above and we will perform the honors.

HONOR GUARD MISSION:
The mission of the Maryland National Guard Honor Guard is to represent the Maryland National Guard in ceremonial functions with the highest level of dignity and pride for our community, State and the United States Army/Air Force.

Who to Call for Veterans Honors
Honors are not performed automatically; they must be requested. Families of eligible veterans must request Funeral Honors through their funeral director. The funeral director will contact the Maryland National Guard Honor Guard to arrange for the Military Funeral Honors detail.

At the minimum Military Funeral Honors consist of the folding of the flag and presentation to the next of kin and a bugler to sound Taps.

The Maryland National Guard Honor Guard provides three types of honors details:

-Three Person Detail. The Three Person Detail consists of two military personnel and a live bugler to sound Taps, if available. These honors are available to all honorably discharged veterans.

-Seven Person Detail. The Seven Person Detail consists of six military personnel and a live bugler to sound Taps, if available. These honors are available to all retired service members, National Guard or Reserve Soldiers not killed in action and Active Duty Soldiers not killed in action.

-Full Honors Detail. This detail can consist up to as many as 21 members and may include a firing party as well as casket bearers, a colors team and a chaplain. Also a bugler will sound Taps. Full Honors are reserved for those who die on Active Duty, Medal of Honor recipients, General Officers and E-9s.

The MDNGHG will provide a Live Bugler to sound Taps for funerals upon request.

Presidential Memorial Certificate
A Presidential Memorial Certificate is an engraved paper certificate, signed by the President, to honor the memory of honorably discharged deceased veterans. Information is available at:

www.cem.va.gov/pmc.asp

ELIGIBILITY
A Veteran is a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable. To demonstrate eligibility for military funeral honors, the family must provide proof of honorable military service to the funeral director. The preferred method for establishing eligibility is the Form DD 214 or Form NGB 22. Other forms generally accepted by the VA can be found at: www.cem.va.gov/cem/hmm/discharge_documents.asp

You can request military records by visiting: www.cem.va.gov/

If you have questions please call or visit our website: www.mdmildep.org/funeralprogram/