

Service Organizations

Located in the Federal Building at 210 Walnut Street- 5th Floor

Iowa Dept of Veterans Affairs Vietnam Veterans of America
Room 565 (515) 362-7350 Room 559 (515) 323-7549

Veterans of Foreign Wars Disabled American Veterans
Room 557 (515) 323-7546 Room 566 (515) 323-7539

Paralyzed Veterans of America American Legion
Room 563 (515) 323-7544 Room 561 (515) 323-7532

Iowa Veterans Cemetery

34024 Veterans Memorial Drive Adel, IA 50003 (515) 996-9048

The Iowa Veterans Cemetery operates under United States Department of Veterans Affairs (USDVA) operational standards. Eligibility for burial is the same as those for burial at national cemeteries. Basically, that means any veteran separated from the service other than dishonorably, the veteran's spouse, and eligible dependent children may be interred at the cemetery. There is NO requirement to be a resident of Iowa. If you are unsure of your eligibility, please contact the cemetery for a determination.

Eligibility Defined by Military Service: Eligibility determinations shall be made in accordance with federal regulations (38 CFR 38.620) and state administrative rules currently under development. In general, the military service requirements for burial in the Iowa Veterans Cemetery are:

- *Discharged from "active duty" under conditions other than dishonorable, or Died while on "active duty", or
- *Served at least 20 years in the National Guard or Reserves and qualified for military retirement pay (or would have qualified except death occurred before age 60), or
- *Reserve component personnel qualify if they otherwise served in a Presidential call-up during their Reserve Component military service. Active duty for training of Reserve Component personnel does not qualify as active service.

VA Pension Wartime Periods

- *World War I (April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918)
- *World War II (December 7, 1941, to December 31, 1946)
- *Korean conflict (June 27, 1950, to January 31, 1955)
- *Vietnam War era (February 28, 1961, to May 7, 1975, for Veterans who served in the Republic of Vietnam during that period. August 5, 1964, to May 7, 1975, for Veterans who served outside the Republic of Vietnam.)
- *Gulf War (August 2, 1990, through a future date to be set by law or presidential proclamation)



Iowas Veterans Trust Fund Manager
(515) 252-4698

Benefits Available to veterans and spouses:

- *Emergency Housing Repairs – Up to \$10,000 lifetime maximum.
- *Emergency Vehicle Repairs – Up to \$10,000 lifetime maximum not exceeding the value of the vehicle.
- *Dental – Up to \$10,000 lifetime maximum.
- *Audiology – Up to \$1,500.00 per ear in a twelve month period.
- *Travel – For wounded veterans directly related to follow-up medical care. Per diem \$50/day maximum \$1000.
- *Unemployment Assistance – Due to prolonged physical, mental condition or disability causing their unemployment. \$3,000 in a twelve month period, with a lifetime maximum of \$6,000.
- *Job Training or Education Assistance – Lifetime maximum of \$3,000.
- *Individual or Family Counseling – Up to \$5,000 in a twelve month period.
- *Emergency Vehicle Purchase – Up to \$5,000 ONE TIME use.
- *Emergency Room – Lifetime maximum of \$10,000.
- *Durable Medical Equipment – Lifetime maximum of \$10,000.

Additional Contacts

Nat'l Suicide Lifeline	(800) 273-8255
CHAMPVA/TRICARE	(800) 733-8387
DEERS Eligibility	(800) 538-9552
VA Life Insurance	(800) 669-8477
VA Inspector General	(800) 488-8244
Direct Deposit	(866) 687-7382
VA Benefits	(800) 827-1000
Military ID Cards	(515) 252-4728



Iowa Cares About Veterans

Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs

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Camp Dodge Bldg. 3465,
Johnston, IA 50131
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<https://va.iowa.gov/>

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IowaDepartmentofVeteransAffairs/](https://www.facebook.com/IowaDepartmentofVeteransAffairs/)

Terminology

Department of Veterans Affairs definition only.

***Active Duty:** Full-time duty in the active service of a Uniformed Service, including full time training duty, annual training duty, and attendance while in the active service at a school designated as a

Military Service school by law or by the Secretary concerned.

***Armed Forces of the United States** includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines Corps, Space Force, and Coast Guard, and all Components thereof.

***Beneficiary:** The recipient of certain benefits due as a result of relationship to or designation by a member.

***Compensation:** A monthly payment made by the Department of Veterans Affairs to a veteran because of service-connected disability or to a surviving spouse, child, or parent of a veteran

because of the service-connected death of the veteran occurring before January 1, 1957

***Non-Service-Connected:** With respect to disability or death, such disability was not incurred or aggravated, or the death did not result from a disability incurred or aggravated, in line of duty in the active military, naval, or air service.

***Overpayment:** An amount paid to a retiree, annuitant, or legal fiduciary which is more than that to which entitlement exists.

***Pension:** A monthly payment made by the Department of Veterans Affairs to a veteran because of service, age, or non-service-connected disability, or to a surviving spouse, or child of a veteran because of the non-service-connected death of the veteran.

***Service-Connected:** With respect to disability or death, such disability was incurred or aggravated, or the death resulted from a disability incurred or aggravated in line of duty in the active military, naval, or air service.

***Surviving Spouse:** A person who was the spouse of a veteran at the time of the veteran's death, who lived with the veteran continuously from the date of marriage to the date of the veteran's death (except when there was a separation due to the misconduct of, or procured by, the veteran without the fault of the spouse). In addition, the person who was not remarried or has not lived with another person and held him/herself out openly to the public to be the spouse of such other person since the death of the veteran and after September 19, 1962.

***VA:** Department of Veterans Affairs

***Veteran:** A person who served in the active military, naval, or air service and who was discharged or released under honorable conditions.

VA Medical Centers

VA Central IA Health Care
3600 30th Street
Des Moines, IA 50310
(515) 699-5999

Iowa City VA Health Care
601 US-6 W
Iowa City, IA 52246
(319) 338-0581

VA Medical Center Sioux Falls
2501 W 22nd St
Sioux Falls, SD 57105
(605) 336-3230

Omaha VA Medical Center
4101 Woolworth Ave Ste 4199
Omaha, NE 68105
(800) 451-5796

Counseling

Des Moines Vet Center
1821 22nd Street
West Des Moines, IA 50266
(515) 284-4929

Sioux City Vet Center
4280 Sergeant Rd #104
Sioux City, IA 51106
(712) 255-3808

Omaha Vet Center
3047 S. 72nd Street
Omaha, NE 68124
(402) 346-6735

Cedar Rapids Vet Center
4250 River Center Ct NE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402
(319) 378-0016

Department of Veterans Affairs (Federal)

Neal Smith Federal Building 9th Floor
210 Walnut Street
Des Moines, IA 50309
(800) 827-1000

The Department's mission is to serve America's veterans and their families with dignity and compassion and to be their principal advocate in ensuring that they receive the care, support, and recognition earned in service to this Nation.

Iowa Veterans Home

1301 Summit Street
Marshalltown, IA 50158
(641) 752 1501
<https://ivh.iowa.gov/>

The Iowa Veterans Home was founded in 1887. We are located in Marshalltown's north west corner. Originally the Iowa Soldiers Home, the facility serves approximately 500 Iowa Veterans. We are fifth in the nation for size of State Veterans Homes. Our campus spans over 150 acres.

The present-day focus of the Iowa Veterans Home--to provide professionally managed healthcare for aging veterans--began to emerge in 1890's with construction of the first infirmary. Six years later, a larger infirmary was built to satisfy the Home's increasing resident/patient population. Throughout the years, the Veterans Home continued to update the physical plan and provide the necessary clinical expertise to meet the ever-increasing healthcare needs for individuals admitted for care.

County Veterans Affairs Offices

<https://va.iowa.gov/counties>

All 99 counties in the State of Iowa have a Veteran Affairs office. The county Veterans Affairs staff are county employees and the department is funded by the county with an annual \$10,000 stipend from the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs.

Your local county Veterans Affairs office may be able to assist with many of the following:

- *Payment of rent and utilities
- *Food and pantry assistance & referrals
- *Application for the Iowa Veterans Trust Fund
- *Referrals to Service Organizations