



## **KANSAS STATE VETERANS' CEMETERY ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION**

Veterans who desire burial in a Kansas Veterans' Cemetery may request that eligibility for themselves and their eligible dependents be established in advance. While this will not reserve a specific gravesite, it will lessen the burden on surviving family members at the time of the veteran's/dependent's death and allow immediate scheduling of burial by the cemetery staff. In situations where no pre-certification has been made, burial will not be scheduled until eligibility has been confirmed.

### **Service Verification**

Veterans requesting a pre-determination of eligibility for themselves and their dependents should provide a copy of their DD214 or Military Discharge showing character of discharge and dates of active service.

### **Marriage Documentation**

Veterans who desire their spouse to be buried with them must provide a copy of their Marriage Certificate.

### **Birth Documentation**

In some cases, the veteran's children may be eligible for burial with the veteran. Please contact a Cemetery Representative for more information about a dependent child's eligibility.

### **No Residency Requirement**

Forward all documentation along with a completed Pre-Certification Application to the Kansas State Veterans' Cemetery where burial is desired. The addresses and phone numbers for the cemeteries are on the Pre-Certification Application form.

Upon verification of burial eligibility, the veteran will be provided with a letter stating that his or her eligibility has been confirmed. The letter should be kept with important papers or provided to the veteran's funeral director if a funeral plan has been established. The Veterans' Cemetery Program will maintain a file copy of the letter and other pertinent documents so that interment can be scheduled immediately upon notification of death.