

Honor Guards Encouraged to Attend "10th Annual Military Honors Burial Conference"



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Honor Guards Encouraged to Attend the Tenth Annual Military Honors Burial Training and Conference Thursday, August 23 (8:30am) Albuquerque/New Mexico Veterans Memorial 1100 Louisiana Blvd. SE

(ALBUQUERQUE, NM)--Honor Guards from throughout the state are encouraged to attend the Tenth Annual Military Honors Burial Training and Conference on August 23 at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial, located at 1100 Louisiana Boulevard NE. Registration begins at 8:30am, and the conference begins at 9am.

Honor Guards are all-volunteer units which perform the flag-fold ceremony, 21-Rifle Volley, and a bugle rendition of *Taps* at the funerals of fallen veterans or active-duty military personnel—providing a proper “Final Salute” befitting honorably-discharged men and women who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

The day-long conference is presented by the New Mexico Department of Veterans Services (DVS), the New Mexico National Guard, and the New Mexico Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP New Mexico) as a learning and training opportunity for Honor Guards from throughout the state.

Individuals or groups interested in forming an all-volunteer Honor Guard are also encouraged to attend to obtain information and to register with DVS.

At the conference, the Honor Guards will receive instruction and training/coaching from U.S. Army, Navy, and Air Force Honor Guards.

The highlight of the conference will be an annual performance competition between the Honor Guard teams. A free catered lunch will be provided courtesy of the AARP. For more information, contact Deanna Anaya at Deanna.anaya@state.nm.us or (505) 827-6356.

Respectfully,

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