



## About the Cemetery

The cemetery opened in June of 2014 and has quickly become the fastest growing state veteran cemetery in Louisiana. As initial burial sites are occupied, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' National Cemetery Administration provides grants to add additional burial space to meet the goal of keeping all burial options available.

When you visit the cemetery, you will see our Carillon Bell Tower which was donated by AMVETS when the cemetery first opened. The bell tower is located in Memorial Circle where we have a wall to honor the groups who donate their time and attention to our cemetery. There is also a brick walkway through a garden with names engraved through donations received by Hero's Farewell. In addition, we have a very peaceful fountain located near the committal shelter donated by the Knights of Columbus. We are very blessed to have some of the best veteran organizations to partner with us to make this cemetery an honorable final resting place for our local heroes.

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OFFICE HOURS  
Monday-Friday  
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The cemetery is open for visiting during  
daylight hours seven days per week.

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## SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA VETERANS CEMETERY

*a final resting place of honor*





# A Place of Honor

Louisiana's five state-run veterans cemeteries offer burial sites for in-ground casketed and cremated remains and above-ground cremated remains. Each burial site is double occupancy, and the final resting place for both the veteran and non-veteran eligible dependent. VA granite markers are provided at no cost for the eligible veteran and for a nominal fee for the eligible dependent. Veterans and eligible dependents will share the provided marker.



*In-ground casketed and cremated remains*



*Columbarium wall for cremated remains*



*Committal shelter*

## Our Services

Each veteran and eligible dependent is entitled to a committal service. This is not a funeral.

All services are held at the committal shelter, an open-air covered pavilion with seating. No one goes to the gravesite on the day of the committal.

The committal service lasts between 15 and 30 minutes and consists of a vehicle procession, a committal prayer and military honors if the deceased is a veteran.

Interments are scheduled Monday through Friday. Contact the cemetery directly for availability. The cemetery is open for visiting during daylight hours including weekends and holidays.

Due to time constraints for the committal service, we do suggest holding a funeral, memorial or celebration of life for your loved one either before or after the committal service.

## Eligibility

Pre-eligibility requests are encouraged, but are not required. This does not reserve or guarantee a burial space in the future.

There are certain requirements to be buried in a veterans cemetery:

- The veteran must have served on active duty, not in a training status, for at least one day prior to 1980, or two consecutive years after 1980.
- For Reserve or National Guard service, the veteran must be retired, have died while in training, received a service-connected disability from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or have been activated under Title 10 for a specific national operation.
- The veteran must have been discharged under honorable conditions.
- Eligible dependents may be interred with the veteran.



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