

Printing a Deceased Vietnam Veteran's Surviving Spouse Certificate

The Deceased Vietnam Veteran's Surviving Spouse certificate and lapel pin are produced for the surviving spouse, at time of death, of a veteran who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time during the period from November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of location of service.

Prior to printing the certificate, organizers should verify the spelling of the recipient's name and the veteran's service information. Commemorative Partners are not required to provide this information to the Commemoration. For best results, the Commemoration recommends printing certificates on 8 ½" x 11", cream or white, 80 lbs. card stock/paper.

To print certificates:

1. Download the black and white OR color certificate.
2. In the first shaded box, type in the NAME of the certificate recipient, up to 36 characters; there is no option for a second line. Font type and size cannot be changed. For best results, use traditional capitalization and lower case format for names.
3. In the second shaded box, type the DAY of the presentation in numeric format.
4. In the third shaded box, type the MONTH and YEAR, spelling out the month and four-digit year.

Note: To change the name or date on the certificate, highlight the text in the box that requires a change and delete.



Certificates should be presented with the Deceased Vietnam Veteran's Surviving Spouse lapel pin, which can be ordered on the Commemorative Events Request (DD Form 2956) in the Event Support tab. Partners may also consider presenting both Presidential Proclamations in addition to the certificate and lapel pin. These may also be ordered on the DD Form 2956.