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Veterans Benefits Administration
Washington, D.C. 20420

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Director (00/21)
All VA Regional Offices and Centers

In Reply Refer To: 212D
Fast Letter 11-32

SUBJ: December 1, 2011, Compensation and DIC Cost-of-Living Adjustment

Enclosed with this letter are charts showing the 2011 cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for compensation and dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) recipients. Charts showing the increased clothing allowance and Medal of Honor pension are also enclosed. Additionally, charts showing historical and current burial, plot, and headstone/marker benefits, spina bifida benefits, and benefits for children of women Vietnam Veterans with certain birth defects are enclosed.

1. The COLA for compensation and DIC is effective December 1, 2011.
2. For BDN awards, an attempt on November 18, 2011, to authorize an award GAPed prior to this date will result in a displayed message advising the authorizer that the award must be reGAPed to add the December 1, 2011, line. Authorize as many awards as possible by close of business on November 17, 2011.
3. "Not adjusted" writeouts generated as a result of the legislative adjustment should be worked under End Product (EP) 692.
4. VETSNET awards that were generated but not authorized/concurred by close of business on November 18, 2011, will not be adjusted. A work-item (850A-Legislative Adjustment Required) will be produced for cases that were not automatically updated and that require manual adjustment. After establishing the EP 692 or EP 150, the 850 work item should be cleared using the PCLR reason "Message Received, Worked Under Proper EP" in Share.
5. Chapter 18 cost-of-living adjustment rates for 2011 will require manual award actions for all recipients by the Denver Veterans Service Center (VSC). On Monday, November 28, 2011, the new rates will be available in the system. Starting on November 28, the Denver VSC will process award actions for all Chapter 18 beneficiaries to apply the increased

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2011 COLA rates. Any Chapter 18 cases that were generated but not authorized/concurred before November 28 must be returned and regenerated to apply the increased rates.

/S/

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Enclosures (10)

DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION
Surviving Spouse and Child Apportionment Schedule
VETERAN DIED PRIOR TO 1/1/93

Entitlement Codes 07, 17, 27, 37,
47, 57, 67, 69, 77, 87, 97, & 99

PL-112-53
Effective 12/1/11 (3.6%)

Total Dep Code	Share Each Child	E-1 f	40/41	E-2 f	42	E-3 a,f	34/43	E-4 f	44	E-5 f	45	E-6 f	46	E-7 g	47	E-8 g	48
		Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse
10		1195		1195		1195		1195		1195		1195		1236		1305	
11	296	1491	1195	1491	1195	1491	1195	1491	1195	1491	1195	1491	1195	1532	1236	1601	1305
12	296	1787	1195	1787	1195	1787	1195	1787	1195	1787	1195	1787	1195	1828	1236	1897	1305
13	296	2083	1195	2083	1195	2083	1195	2083	1195	2083	1195	2083	1195	2124	1236	2193	1305
14	296	2379	1195	2379	1195	2379	1195	2379	1195	2379	1195	2379	1195	2420	1236	2489	1305
Total Dep Code	Share Each Child	E-9 g	49	E-9b	29	W-1 g	30	W-2 g	31	W-3 g	32	W-4 g	33	O-1 g	10/20	O-2 g	11/21
		Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse
10		1361		1470		1262		1312		1351		1429		1262		1305	
11	296	1657	1361	1766	1470	1558	1262	1608	1312	1647	1351	1725	1429	1558	1262	1601	1305
12	296	1953	1361	2062	1470	1854	1262	1904	1312	1943	1351	2021	1429	1854	1262	1897	1305
13	296	2249	1361	2358	1470	2150	1262	2200	1312	2239	1351	2317	1429	2150	1262	2193	1305
14	296	2545	1361	2654	1470	2446	1262	2496	1312	2535	1351	2613	1429	2446	1262	2489	1305
Total Dep Code	Share Each Child	O-3 g	12/22	O-4	13	O-5	14	O-6	15	O-7	16	O-8	17	O-9	18	O-10	19
		Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse
10		1395		1478		1627		1834		1980		2175		2326		2551	
11	296	1691	1395	1774	1478	1923	1627	2130	1834	2276	1980	2471	2175	2622	2326	2847	2551
12	296	1987	1395	2070	1478	2219	1627	2426	1834	2572	1980	2767	2175	2918	2326	3143	2551
13	296	2283	1395	2366	1478	2515	1627	2722	1834	2868	1980	3063	2175	3214	2326	3439	2551
14	296	2579	1395	2662	1478	2811	1627	3018	1834	3164	1980	3359	2175	3510	2326	3735	2551
Total Dep Code	Share Each Child	O-10c	25	Notes:													
		Total Amt	Apptd Surv Spouse	a. Surviving spouse of Aviation Cadet or other service not covered by this table is paid the DIC rate for enlisted E-3 under 34. b. Veteran who served as Sgt Major of the Army or Marine Corps, Senior Enlisted Advisor of the Navy, Chief Master Sgt of the Air Force, or Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard. c. Veteran who served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the Army or Air Force, Chief of Naval Operations, or Commandant of the Marine Corps. d. If surviving spouse entitled to A/A, add \$296; if entitled to HB, add \$139. e. Add \$296 for each child under 18. f. Add \$254.if veteran rated totally disabled 8 continuous years prior to death and surviving spouse was married to veteran those same 8 years. g. Base rate is \$1,449 if vet rated totally disabled 8 continuous years prior to death and surviving spouse was married to vet those same 8 years.													
10		2738															
11	296	3034	2738														
12	296	3330	2738														
13	296	3626	2738														
14	296	3922	2738														

DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION

Children's Rates

Entitlement Codes 07, 17, 27 37
47, 57 67, 69, 77, 87, 97, 99

PL 112-53
Effective 12/1/11

Surviving Spouse Entitled

Total Dependency Code	Additional Separate Award For Each Child Over 18	Rate
81	School Child	\$ 251
81	Helpless Child	\$ 505

No Surviving Spouse

Number of Children	Total Dep. Code	Total Payable	Each Child Share*
1	81	\$505	\$505.00
2	82	\$726	\$363.12
3	83	\$947	\$315.98
4	84	\$1,128	\$282.05
5	85	\$1,308	\$261.69
6	86	\$1,488	\$248.12
7	87	\$1,668	\$238.43
8	88	\$1,849	\$231.15
9	89	\$2,029	\$225.50

*For each helpless child over 18 add

\$296

For each additional child add

\$180

DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION

SURVIVING SPOUSE

Veteran's Death Was On or After January 1, 1993

Entitlement Codes 07, 17, 27 37
47, 57 67, 69, 77, 87, 97, 99

PL 112-53
Effective 12/1/11

Basic Monthly Rate = \$1,195

(38 U.S.C. 1311(a)(1))

Additional Allowances:

- a. **Add \$254** if at the time of the veteran's death, the veteran was in receipt of or entitled to receive compensation for a service-connected disability rated totally disabling (including a rating based on individual unemployability) for a continuous period of at least 8 years immediately preceding death AND the surviving spouse was married to the veteran for those same 8 years.

(38 U.S.C. 1311(a)(2))

- b. **Add** the following allowance for each dependent child under age 18: *

Effective 10/1/93	\$150 per child
Effective 10/1/94	\$200 per child
Effective 12/1/95	\$205 per child
Effective 12/1/96	\$211 per child
Effective 12/1/97	\$215 per child
Effective 12/1/98	\$217 per child
Effective 12/1/99	\$222 per child
Effective 12/1/00	\$229 per child
Effective 12/1/01	\$234 per child
Effective 12/1/02	\$237 per child
Effective 12/1/03	\$241 per child
Effective 12/1/04	\$247 per child
Effective 12/1/05	\$257 per child
Effective 12/1/06	\$265 per child
Effective 12/1/07	\$271 per child
Effective 12/1/08	\$286 per child
Effective 12/1/11	\$296 per child

(38 U.S.C. 1311(b))

- c. If the surviving spouse is entitled to A&A, **add \$296.** **(38 U.S.C. 1311(c))**
- d. If the surviving spouse is entitled to Housebound, **add \$139** **(38 U.S.C. 1311(d))**
- e. If the surviving spouse has one or more children under the age 18 on the award, add the transitional benefit of **\$259.** **(38 U.S.C. 1311(f))**

*DIC apportionment rates approved by the Under Secretary for Benefits under 38 CFR 3.461(b) will be the additional allowance received for each child.

DISABILITY COMPENSATION - BASIC RATES

**Entitlement Codes 01, 11, 21, 31, 41,
51, 61, 71, and 91**

PL 112-53
Effective 12/1/11 (3.6%)

Dep Code	Dep Status	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%	Dep Status	Dep Code
00	Veteran	127	251	389	560	797	1009	1272	1478	1661	2769	Veteran	00
10	V-S			436	622	875	1102	1380	1602	1801	2924	V-S	10
11	V-S-1C			469	667	931	1169	1459	1692	1903	3037	V-S-1C	11
12	V-S-2C			491	698	969	1215	1512	1754	1972	3114	V-S-2C	12
13	V-S-3C			513	729	1007	1261	1565	1816	2041	3191	V-S-3C	13
14	V-S-4C			535	760	1045	1307	1618	1878	2110	3268	V-S-4C	14
Each additional child				22	31	38	46	53	62	69	77	Each additional child	
Each additional schoolchild (see footnote a)				74	99	124	149	174	198	223	248	Each schoolchild	
81	V-1C			420	601	849	1071	1344	1561	1754	2873	V-1C	81
82	V-2C			442	632	887	1117	1397	1623	1823	2950	V-2C	82
83	V-3C			464	663	925	1163	1450	1685	1892	3027	V-3C	83
84	V-4C			486	694	963	1209	1503	1747	1961	3104	V-4C	84
20/30	V-S-1P			473	672	937	1176	1467	1701	1913	3048	V-S-1P	20/30
21/31	V-S-1P-1C			506	717	993	1243	1546	1791	2015	3161	V-S-1P-1C	21/31
22/32	V-S-1P-2C			528	748	1031	1289	1599	1853	2084	3238	V-S-1P-2C	22/32
23/33	V-S-1P-3C			550	779	1069	1335	1652	1915	2153	3315	V-S-1P-3C	23/33
24/34	V-S-1P-4C			572	810	1107	1381	1705	1977	2222	3392	V-S-1P-4C	24/34
40	V-S-2P			510	722	999	1250	1554	1800	2025	3172	V-S-2P	40
41	V-S-2P-1C			543	767	1055	1317	1633	1890	2127	3285	V-S-2P-1C	41
42	V-S-2P-2C			565	798	1093	1363	1686	1952	2196	3362	V-S-2P-2C	42
43	V-S-2P-3C			587	829	1131	1409	1739	2014	2265	3439	V-S-2P-3C	43
44	V-S-2P-4C			609	860	1169	1455	1792	2076	2334	3516	V-S-2P-4C	44
50/60	V-1P			426	610	859	1083	1359	1577	1773	2893	V-1P	50/60
51/61	V-1P-1C			457	651	911	1145	1431	1660	1866	2997	V-1P-1C	51/61
52/62	V-1P-2C			479	682	949	1191	1484	1722	1935	3074	V-1P-2C	52/62
53/63	V-1P-3C			501	713	987	1237	1537	1784	2004	3151	V-1P-3C	53/63
54/64	V-1P-4C			523	744	1025	1283	1590	1846	2073	3228	V-1P-4C	54/64
70	V-2P			463	660	921	1157	1446	1676	1885	3017	V-2P	70
71	V-2P-1C			494	701	973	1219	1518	1759	1978	3121	V-2P-1C	71
72	V-2P-2C			516	732	1011	1265	1513	1821	2047	3198	V-2P-2C	72
73	V-2P-3C			538	763	1049	1311	1624	1883	2116	3275	V-2P-3C	73
74	V-2P-4C			560	794	1087	1357	1677	1945	2185	3352	V-2P-4C	74
Additional for A/A spouse (see footnote b)				41	55	70	83	98	111	126	140	See footnote b.	

FOOTNOTES:

a. Rates for each school child are shown separately. They are not included with any other compensation rates. All other entries on this chart reflecting a rate for children show the rate payable for children under 18 or helpless. To find the amount payable to a 70% disabled veteran with a spouse and four children, one of whom is over 18 and attending school, take the 70% rate for a veteran with a spouse and 3 children, \$ 1565, and add the rate for one school child, \$174. The total amount payable is \$1739.

b. Where the veteran has a spouse who is determined to require A/A, add the figure shown as "additional for A/A spouse" to the amount shown for the proper dependency code. For example, veteran has A/A spouse and 2 minor children and is 70% disabled. Add \$98, additional for A/A spouse, to the rate for a 70% veteran with dependency code 12, \$1512. The total amount payable is \$ 1610.

DISABILITY COMPENSATION - SMC RATES

Entitlement Codes 01, 11, 21, 31, 41,
51, 61, 71, and 91

PL 112-53
Effective 12/1/11 (3.6%)

Dep Code	Dep Status	03 L	18 L½	07/19 M	20 M½	11/21 N	22 N½	37 O/P	51-55 R.1	56-60 R.2	48 S	Dep Status	Dep Code
00	Veteran	3446	3624	3803	4064	4326	4580	4835	6909	7925	3100	Veteran	00
10	V-S	3601	3779	3958	4219	4481	4735	4990	7064	8080	3255	V-S	10
11	V-S-1C	3714	3892	4071	4332	4594	4848	5103	7177	8193	3368	V-S-1C	11
12	V-S-2C	3791	3969	4148	4409	4671	4925	5180	7254	8270	3445	V-S-2C	12
13	V-S-3C	3868	4046	4225	4486	4748	5002	5257	7331	8347	3522	V-S-3C	13
14	V-S-4C	3945	4123	4302	4563	4825	5079	5334	7408	8424	3599	V-S-4C	14
Each additional child		77	77	77	77	77	77	77	77	77	77	Each additional child	
Each schoolchild (a)		248	248	248	248	248	248	248	248	248	248	Each schoolchild (a)	

81	V-1C	3550	3728	3907	4168	4430	4684	4939	7013	8029	3204	V-1C	81
82	V-2C	3627	3805	3984	4245	4507	4761	5016	7090	8106	3281	V-2C	82
83	V-3C	3704	3882	4061	4322	4584	4838	5093	7167	8183	3358	V-3C	83
84	V-4C	3781	3959	4138	4399	4661	4915	5170	7244	8260	3435	V-4C	84

20/30	V-S-1P	3725	3903	4082	4343	4605	4859	5114	7188	8204	3379	V-S-1P	20/30
21/31	V-S-1P-1C	3838	4016	4195	4456	4718	4972	5227	7301	8317	3492	V-S-1P-1C	21/31
22/32	V-S-1P-2C	3915	4093	4272	4533	4795	5049	5304	7378	8394	3569	V-S-1P-2C	22/32
23/33	V-S-1P-3C	3992	4170	4349	4610	4872	5126	5381	7455	8471	3646	V-S-1P-3C	23/33
24/34	V-S-1P-4C	4069	4247	4426	4687	4949	5203	5458	7532	8548	3723	V-S-1P-4C	24/34

40	V-S-2P	3849	4027	4206	4467	4729	4983	5238	7312	8328	3503	V-S-2P	40
41	V-S-2P-1C	3962	4140	4319	4580	4842	5096	5351	7425	8441	3616	V-S-2P-1C	41
42	V-S-2P-2C	4039	4217	4396	4657	4919	5173	5428	7502	8518	3693	V-S-2P-2C	42
43	V-S-2P-3C	4116	4294	4473	4734	4996	5250	5505	7579	8595	3770	V-S-2P-3C	43
44	V-S-2P-4C	4193	4371	4550	4811	5073	5327	5582	7656	8672	3847	V-S-2P-4C	44

50/60	V-1P	3570	3748	3927	4188	4450	4704	4959	7033	8049	3224	V-1P	50/60
51/61	V-1P-1C	3674	3852	4031	4292	4554	4808	5063	7137	8153	3328	V-1P-1C	51/61
52/62	V-1P-2C	3751	3929	4108	4369	4631	4885	5140	7214	8230	3405	V-1P-2C	52/62
53/63	V-1P-3C	3828	4006	4185	4446	4708	4962	5217	7291	8307	3482	V-1P-3C	53/63
54/64	V-1P-4C	3905	4083	4262	4523	4785	5039	5294	7368	8384	3559	V-1P-4C	54/64

70	V-2P	3694	3872	4051	4312	4574	4828	5083	7157	8173	3348	V-2P	70
71	V-2P-1C	3798	3976	4155	4416	4678	4932	5187	7261	8277	3452	V-2P-1C	71
72	V-2P-2C	3875	4053	4232	4493	4755	5009	5264	7338	8354	3529	V-2P-2C	72
73	V-2P-3C	3952	4130	4309	4570	4832	5086	5341	7415	8431	3606	V-2P-3C	73
74	V-2P-4C	4029	4207	4386	4647	4909	5163	5418	7492	8508	3683	V-2P-4C	74

Addn'l A/A spouse (b)	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	See footnote b.	
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FOOTNOTES:

a. See footnote a on the DISABILITY COMPENSATION - BASIC RATES chart for an example of how to add a schoolchild.

b. See footnote b on the DISABILITY COMPENSATION - BASIC RATES chart for an example of how to determine the rate where a spouse is entitled to A/A.

SPECIAL MONTHLY COMPENSATION CODES AND RATES

Entitlement Codes 01, 11, 21, 31,
41, 51, 61, 71, and 91

PL 112-53
Effective 12/1/11

SMC Code	Award Abbreviation	Basic Rate	Hospital Rate
01	K	99	N/C
02	2K	198	N/C
03	L	3446	3100 a
04	L+K	3546	3200a
05	L+2K	3645	3299a
06	L+3K	3745	3399 a,
07	M	3803	3446c
08	M+K	3902	3546c
09	M+2K	4002	3645 c
10	M+3K	4101	3745 c
11	N	4326	N/C
12	N+K	4425	N/C
13	N+2K	4525	N/C
14	3K	298	N/C
15	N+3K	4624	N/C
18	L½	3624	3100 a
19	M	3803	3100 d
20	M½	4064	3100 d
			3624 c
21	N	4326	3803 e
22	N½	4580	4064 e
24	L½+K	3724	3200 a
25	M+K	3902	3200 d
26	M½+K	4163	3200 d
			3724c
27	N+K	4425	3902e
28	N½+K	4679	4163 e
29	L½+2K	3823	3299a
30	M+2K	4002	3299 d
31	M½+2K	4263	3299d
			3823c

SMC Code	Award Abbreviation	Basic Rate	Hospital Rate
32	N+2K	4525	4002 e
33	L½+3K	3923	3399 a,b
34	M+3K	4101	3399b,d
35	M½+3K	4362	3399 b,d
			3923 c
36	STAT - Q	67	N/C
37	O	4835	N/C
38	N½+2K	4779	4263 e
39	S+3K	3399	N/C
43	N½+K+R(1)A&A	6753	4679
44	N½+K+R(2)A&A	7770	4679
45		h	N/C
46		h	N/C
47		h	N/C
48	S	3100	N/C
49	S+K	3200	N/C
50	S+2K	3299	N/C
51	R(L+R(1)A&A)	6909	3803g
52	R(L½+R(1)A&A)	6909	4064 g
53	R(M+R(1)A&A)	6909	4326 g
54	R(M½+R(1)A&A)	6909	4580 g
55	R(N+R(1)A&A),(N½+R(1)A&A), (O+R(1)A&A)	6909	4835
56	R(L+R(2)A&A)	7925	3803 g
57	R(L½+R(2)A&A)	7925	4064 g
58	R(M+R(2)A&A)	7925	4326g
59	R(M½+R(2)A&A)	7925	4580 g
60	R(N+R(2)A&A)(N½+R(2)A&A), (O+R(2)A&A)	7925	4835

Refer to M21-1, Appendix B, page XII(12/1991)-2 for footnote explanations.

SPECIAL BENEFIT ALLOWANCES

Historical and Current

AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE

PL 79-663 8/8/46	PL 91-666 1/11/71	PL 93-538 2/1/75	PL 95-476 10/18/78	PL 97-66 10/1/81	PL 98-543 1/1/85	PL 100-322 4/1/88
\$1,600	\$2,800	\$3,300	\$3,800	\$4,400	\$5,000	\$5,500
PL 105-178 10/1/98	PL 107-103 12/27/01	PL 108-183 12/16/03	PL 111-275 10/01/11			
\$8,000	\$9,000	\$11,000	\$18,900			

CLOTHING ALLOWANCE*

PL 92-328 10/1/72	PL 94-71 10/1/75	PL 94-433 10/1/76	PL 95-117 10/1/77	PL 95-479 10/1/78	PL 96-128 10/1/79	PL 96-385 10/1/80
\$150	\$175	\$190	\$203	\$218	\$240	\$274
PL 97-66 10/1/81	PL 97-306 10/1/82	PL 98-223 4/1/84	PL 98-543 12/1/84	PL 99-238 12/1/85	PL 99-576 12/1/86	PL 100-227 12/1/87
\$305	\$327	\$338	\$349	\$360	\$365	\$380
PL 100-687 12/1/88	PL 101-237 12/1/89	PL 102-3 1/1/91	PL 102-152 12/1/91	PL 102-510 12/1/92	PL 103-140 12/1/93	PL 103-418 12/1/94
\$395	\$414	\$436	\$452	\$466	\$478	\$491
PL 104-57 12/1/95	PL 104-263 12/1/96	PL 105-98 12/1/97	PL 105-368 12/1/98	PL 106-118 12/1/99	PL 106-413 12/1/00	PL 107-94 12/1/01
\$503	\$518	\$528	\$534	\$546	\$565	\$580
PL 107-247 12/1/02	PL 108-147 12/1/03	PL 108-363 12/1/04	PL 109-111 12/1/05	PL 109-361 12/1/06	PL 110-111 12/1/07	PL 110-324 12/1/08
\$588	\$600	\$616	\$641	\$662	\$677	\$716
PL 112-53 12/1/11						
\$742						

MEDAL OF HONOR PENSION

PL 64-56 4/27/16	PL 87-138 9/16/61	PL 95-479 1/1/79	PL 103-161 12/1/93	PL 105-368 12/1/98	PL 107-330 9/1/03	2.7% COLA 12/1/04
\$10	\$100	\$200	\$400	\$600	\$1,000	\$1,027
4.1% COLA 12/1/05	3.3% COLA 12/1/06	2.3% COLA 12/1/07	5.8% COLA 12/1/08	3.6% COLA 12/1/11		
\$1,069	\$1,104	\$1,129	\$1,194	\$1,237		

*The clothing allowance increase, while effective the date of the law, is not payable until the following August 1st. (Example: PL 97-306 effective October 1, 1982, increased the clothing allowance to \$327. This rate was payable August 1, 1983.)

BURIAL, PLOT AND HEADSTONE/MARKER BENEFITS

Historical and Current

	10/1/80	10/1/81	10/1/82	10/1/83	10/1/84	10/1/85	10/1/86	10/1/87	10/1/88	10/1/89	10/1/90	10/1/91
Headstone/Marker												
PL 95-476	\$59	\$63	\$67	\$68	\$70	\$71	\$71	\$76	\$80	\$85	\$85	\$97

	10/1/92	10/1/93	10/1/94	10/1/95	10/1/96	10/1/97	10/1/98	10/1/99	10/1/00	10/1/01	10/1/02	10/1/03
Headstone/Marker												
PL 95-476	\$96	\$98	\$100	\$101	\$96	\$109	\$96	\$90	\$94	\$109	\$101	\$112

	10/1/04	10/01/05	10/01/06	10/01/07	10/01/08							
Headstone/Marker												
PL 95-476	\$113	\$128	\$132	\$136	\$137							

	PL 68-242	PL 73-2	PL 79-796	PL 79-529	PL 85-674	PL 93-43	PL 95-479	PL 100-322	PL 107-103
	6/7/24	3/31/33	10/5/40	7/24/46	8/18/58	6/18/73	10/1/78	4/1/88	12/1/01
SC BURIAL	\$100	\$75	\$100	\$150	\$250	\$800	\$1,100	\$1,500	*\$2,000
NSC BURIAL	\$100	\$75	\$100	\$150	\$250	\$250	\$300	\$300	\$300
PLOT ALLOWANCE						\$150	\$150	\$150	\$300
STATE CEMETERY						\$150	\$150	\$150	\$300

	PL111-275
	10/1/2011
SC BURIAL	*\$2,000
NSC BURIAL (Veteran dies while hospitalized by VA)	*\$700
NSC BURIAL (Indigent or Veterans not hospitalized by VA)	*\$300
STATE CEMETERY	*\$700
PLOT ALLOWANCE	*\$700

Note 1: The P.L. 107-103 service-connected burial rate applies in cases where death occurred on or after 9/11/01.

Note 2: The headstone/marker allowance is payable only if the Veteran died between 10/18/78 and 11/1/90. The rate payable is determined by when the headstone/marker was purchased. For example, the rate payable would be \$98 if the Veteran died on 7/1/85 and the headstone/marker was purchased on 9/29/94.

Note 3: The PL 111-275 allows increase from \$300 to \$700 for Veterans who die while properly hospitalized by VA. For nonservice-connected burial for indigent or Veterans not properly hospitalized by VA, the burial reimbursement remains \$300. The increases from \$300 to \$700 will apply to deaths occurring on or after October 1, 2011. The first opportunity for an annual increase (i.e., cost-of-living adjustment) is October 1, 2012.

SPINA BIFIDA BENEFITS
(38 U.S.C. Chapter 18)

Effective Date	Level I Monthly Rate	Level II Monthly Rate	Level III Monthly Rate
10/01/97	\$200	\$700	\$1,200
12/01/97	\$205	\$715	\$1,226
12/01/98	\$208	\$725	\$1,242
12/01/99	\$213	\$743	\$1,272
12/01/00	\$221	\$770	\$1,317
12/01/01	\$228	\$792	\$1,354
12/01/02	\$232	\$804	\$1,373
12/01/03	\$237	\$821	\$1,402
12/01/04	\$244	\$844	\$1,440
12/01/05	\$254	\$879	\$1,500
12/01/06	\$263	\$909	\$1,550
12/01/07	\$270	\$930	\$1,586
12/01/08	\$286	\$984	\$1,678
12/01/11	\$297	\$1,020	\$1,739

**Children of Women Vietnam Veterans Born With Certain Birth Defects
(Sec. 401 of Public Law 106-419)**

Effective Date	Level I Monthly Rate	Level II Monthly Rate	Level III Monthly Rate	Level IV Monthly Rate
12/01/01	\$100	\$228	\$792	\$1,354
12/01/02	\$105	\$232	\$804	\$1,373
12/01/03	\$108	\$237	\$821	\$1,402
12/01/04	\$111	\$244	\$844	\$1,440
12/01/05	\$116	\$254	\$879	\$1,500
12/01/06	\$120	\$263	\$909	\$1,550
12/01/07	\$123	\$270	\$930	\$1,586
12/01/08	\$131	\$286	\$984	\$1,678
12/01/11	\$136	\$297	\$1,020	\$1,739