

To assist you with applying for benefits, the following agencies should be notified:

1. Veterans Affairs: 253-798-7847, [Joe Jimenez](#) or 253-798-7856, [Mel West](#) **(If the VA determines you eligible for VA benefits, please call my office to discuss further benefits.)**
2. Defense Finance and Accounting Services, DFAS, 800-321-1080 or 253-966-5884 for any retirement pay survivor benefits. Or online at [askDFAS](#) **a.** Select Report a Death **b.** Starting SBP Annuity Pay
3. DEERS ID card office to update Tricare and DEERS
<https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/locator>

Please gather the following documents to apply for benefits:

- ✓ DD214 (to request a copy visit [Veterans' Service Records | National Archives](#))
- ✓ Death Certificate
- ✓ Marriage License
- ✓ Copy of paid invoice from the funeral home.
- ✓ Banking information routing number, account number and name of financial institution.
- ✓ Social Security Numbers for Veteran and Spouse
- ✓ Driver's license and/or Washington State ID

Please let me know if I can be of any assistance.

Warm Regards,

Nikki Macias

Survivor Outreach Services, Financial Counselor

Armed Forces Community Service (AFCS)

Family and Morale, Welfare & Recreation (MWR)

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