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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Directive-Type Memorandum (DTM) 10-008 – Travel and Transportation for Survivors of Deceased Members of the Uniformed Services to Attend Memorial Ceremonies

References: (a) Section 631 of Public Law 111-84, “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010,” October 28, 2009
(b) DoD Directive 5124.02, “Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)),” June 23, 2008
(c) Section 411f of title 37, United States Code

Purpose. In accordance with Reference (a) and the authority in Reference (b), this DTM establishes DoD policy, responsibilities, and procedures for providing Government-funded travel and transportation allowances for eligible family members to attend a memorial service for a deceased active duty member that occurs at a location other than the location of the burial ceremony for which travel and transportation allowances are provided in accordance with section 411f(a)(1) of Reference (c). This DTM is effective immediately; it shall be incorporated into a new DoD Instruction on mortuary affairs policy and shall expire effective November 11, ~~2011~~ 2012.

Applicability. This DTM applies to OSD, the Military Departments, the Office of the Chairman of the Joints Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the Combatant Commands, the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, the DoD Field Activities, and all other organizational entities within the Department of Defense.

Definitions. Unless otherwise noted, these terms and their definitions are for the purpose of this DTM.

- eligible relatives. Defined in section 411f(c) of Reference (c).
- location other than the location of the burial ceremony. The location of the installation or unit memorial service.

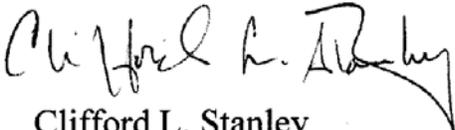
Policy. It is DoD policy that:

- The decision to conduct an installation or unit memorial service shall be at the discretion of the individual Military Department concerned.
- Only one memorial service shall be eligible for Government-funded transportation and allowances unless the original service for the deceased member was limited to a memorial service because no remains had been recovered.
- Travel and transportation allowances include travel to and from the memorial service location plus 2 days of per diem at the memorial site.
- All eligible relatives are authorized travel and transportation allowances for one round-trip to the installation or unit memorial service. This round-trip is in addition to the burial ceremony. Reimbursable expenses are limited to authorized travel allowances.
- Funded memorial service travel is limited to a 2-year period following the loss of the Service member; this limitation may be waived by the Secretary of the Military Department concerned.
- Memorial service locations are limited to the continental United States, Alaska and Hawaii, U.S. territories, and the last permanent duty station or home port of the member.
- Family members are not authorized transportation to memorial services conducted in a theater of combat operations.

Responsibilities. The Secretaries of the Military Departments shall:

- Publish implementing guidance within 180 days of the date of this DTM.
- Ensure that all eligible family members are invited to installation or unit memorial services, if conducted.

Releasability. This DTM is approved for public release and is available on the Internet from the DoD Issuances Website at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives>.


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