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**Twenty-Two Veterans to be Laid to Rest Tomorrow at the
2021 Forgotten Heroes Funeral
Thursday, Sep. 23 (11am)
Santa Fe National Cemetery
501 North Guadalupe St.**

(SANTA FE, NM)— The unclaimed cremated remains of twenty-two military veterans will be laid to rest tomorrow (Thursday, Sept. 23) at an 11am 2021 *Forgotten Heroes Funeral* at the Santa Fe National Cemetery.

The cemetery is in the city's north side at 501 North Guadalupe Street.

Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham will deliver the eulogy before the cremains are interred with military honors in accordance with the state's *Forgotten Heroes Burial Program*. This program was established by the New Mexico Department of Veterans Services (DVS), Bernalillo County, and Daniels Family Funeral Services, to ensure that no veteran will be alone at the end, and will not be denied a military burial available to all honorably discharged veterans.

The public is invited to attend and serve as "family" to provide a final salute for these 22 fallen veterans who have served our country. Safety face masks will be required to be worn by all attendees and staff.

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The New Mexico Department of Veterans Services

The New Mexico Department of Veterans Services (DVS) provides support and services to New Mexico's 151,000 veterans and their families. DVS treats every veteran, regardless of their rank achieved during military service, with the respect and

gratitude befitting someone who has honorably served our country. We strive every day to live up to our agency's official motto: *Serving Those Who Served.*

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