

Active Duty Information

vRED & SGLI

The Record of Emergency Data (vRED) and Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) forms are the two of the most critical documents. It is a service members responsible for maintaining it throughout a military career. The vRED is used to contact the next-of-kin in the case of a debilitating injury or death. It is also used to designate a beneficiary to receive certain military benefits, as well as identifying the person authorized to make decisions regarding funeral arrangements and the final resting place of the servicemember upon their death.

The SGLI form is the only document recognized to identify the legal beneficiary for the member's Servicemembers Group Life Insurance payment should a death occur.

To make changes to you vRED go to <https://mypers.af.mil>, Select vMPF, Verify your e-mail and phone number, select Self-Service Actions, Personal Data, Update the Record of Emergency Data. For questions contact, Eglin Casualty Assistance Office: 850-882-3924/4028

What is Death Gratuity?

If you die, the Air Force is required to pay someone in your family a \$100, 000.00 death gratuity.

What is Beneficiary for Unpaid Pay and Allowances?

This is from the first of the month to the day of your passing, designating the person or persons you want to receive any unpaid monies that are owed to you at the time of your death.

What is Person Authorized To Direct Disposition (PADD)

The individual designated by the deceased member on DD Form 93, Record of Emergency Data, the person you wish to make the decisions for your funeral.

Leaving money to the children under the age of 18:

Leaving your Death Gratuity, Unpaid Pay/Allowances and SGLI to your "child or children" in a value of over \$ 10, 000.00, the guardian of your child has to go to court and become "the Guardian of the child's estate". The cost to become the child estate guardian, is around \$ 3,000-4,000 thousand or more per child. Time frame to go through the courts is months. If the guardian does not become the guardian of your child estate, the money sits with that agency and at 18 your child can request their Death Gratuity, Unpaid Pay/Allowances (does not collect interest) and SGLI (collects interest) in which you left them. For questions contact, Eglin Casualty Assistance Office: 850-882-3924/4028

Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP):

As part of pre-retirement counseling, each retiring member must receive a mandatory one-on-one briefing on the Survivor Benefit plan (SBP) from an Air Force SBP counselor. It is very important that you realize that when you die, your retirement pay will stop. Only through participation in the SBP can a monthly annuity from the Air Force be paid to your survivors. If you are married, it is very important that your spouse attend this briefing with you. For questions and appointment contact, Eglin Casualty Assistance Office: 850-882-3924/4028

Family Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (FSGLI):

Spouses can be insured up to \$100,000 or the amount of the service member's SGLI coverage, whichever is less.

Dependent children are automatically covered for \$10,000 at no cost to Airmen provided the service member has SGLI coverage. Coverage for your child is provided at no cost until the child is 18, unless the child is a full-time student or becomes permanently and totally disabled and incapable of self-support prior to age 18.

In the event of a still birth, the stillborn's weight if known, must be 350 grams or more. If the weight is unknown, the duration in utero must be 20 or more completed weeks of gestation.

Upon learning of the death of a dependent, the unit is responsible for notifying the Casualty Assistance Representative (CAR) during duty hours at 882-3924/4028.

Key Phone Numbers

Eglin Casualty Assistance Office (for help with Benefits) 850-882-3924/4028

Mortuary Affairs (for help with funeral and military honors) 882-2588

Hurlburt's Casualty Assistance Office phone number is (850) 884-2686

AF Times Obituaries Fax Number 1-703-750-8601

Arlington National Cemetery 1-703-695-3250/3255

Barrancas National Cemetery (Pensacola) 1-850-452-3357

Defense Finance & Accounting Service 1-800-321-1080

Eglin Retiree Activities Office 882-5916

Eglin Hospital (Health Benefits) 882-8246

Legal Office (Eglin AFB) 882-4611 (ext 101)

Social Security 1-800-772-1213

VA Regional 1-800-827-1000

VA Eglin Clinic 1-866-520-7359

Army Casualty Assistance 1-334-255-9124

Navy Casualty Assistance 1-850-452-5990