
Burial in a Services Cemetery

To be buried in a Services Cemetery you must have served as a member of His Majesty's Forces on certain deployments, or be the spouse or partner of someone who has.

Eligibility to be buried in a Services Cemetery needs to be approved by your local authority.

Who can get this

You may be able to be buried in a Services Cemetery if you:

- have Operational Service under the Burial and Cremation Act, or
- your spouse or partner has Operational Service under the Burial and Cremation Act.

Operational Service under the Burial and Cremation Act (<https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/a-z/burial-in-a-service-cemetery/list-of-operational-service/>)

Spouse or partner burial

Some local authorities may only allow burial of a spouse or partner after the member of His Majesty's Forces burial.

Find out more

Local authorities are responsible for the management of Services Cemeteries and approving who may be buried in them. Visit our 'Find a Services Cemetery' page to check which local authority looks after your nearest Services Cemetery.

Find a Services Cemeteries page (<https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/remembrance/service-cemeteries-and-memorials/find-a-service-cemetery/>)

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[List of Operational Service under the Burial and Cremation Act 1964](https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/a-z/burial-in-a-service-cemete) (<https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/a-z/burial-in-a-service-cemete>)
