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 The National Cemetery Administration (NCA)'s mission is to honor the military service of our nation's veterans. The NCA manages National Cemeteries throughout the United States, provides grave markers world-wide, administers the State Cemetery Grants program, and provides Presidential Memorial Certificates (PMCs) to next of kin of deceased veterans. It also governs the request and burial of eligible Veterans in national cemeteries operated by the VA. Burial in a national cemetery is open to all members of the armed forces and Veterans who have met minimum active duty service requirements and were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable. Their spouse, widow or widower, minor children, and, under certain conditions, unmarried adult children with disabilities, may also be eligible for burial. This process model illustrates how Veterans, or their beneficiaries, apply for the burial of eligible decedents within the VA's National Cemetery system.

