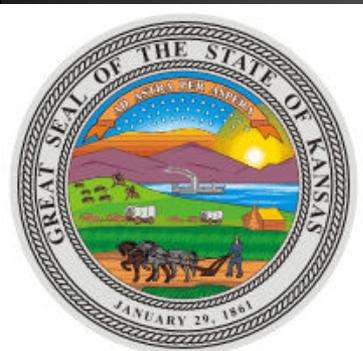


Getting Ready for Retirement



Kansas National Guard
G1
Retirement Services

SFC ETOI PURNELL
785-274-1085



Schedule for Today

- List of Presenters:

Cherlie Herlinger–Family Assistance
Coordinator

Tricare West–Glenn Suetter

Tim Gaynor–KS Commission on Veteran Affairs

Gary Jackman/Andy Olsen–American
Legion/VFW

Howard Steanson–Transition Assistance

SFC Purnell–Pay process, annuity, SBP

NGKAS VGLI–RET COL Tim Marlar

Rodney Moyer–Military Funeral Honors

Army

- Retired pay begins on your 60th birthday (or earlier if qualify for reduced retirement age); however, **you must apply for it.**
- HRCoE processes applications for Reserve retirement for the Army Reserve and Army National Guard.
 - Moved from St. Louis to Ft. Knox (Oct 2009)
- Reserve retirement eligible Soldiers are mailed an application packet during the **month prior to their 59th birthday.**
 - Changed to age 59 when moved to Ft. Knox due to lack of storage space
- Packets are mailed to your address listed in their database – usually last known address that the Kansas National Guard has unless you notified HRC of an address change.

Army

- Once you submit your packet to Ft. Knox
 - Verify service
 - Process the application
 - Publish orders placing the Soldier on the Retired List
 - Forward these orders to the Soldier and to DFAS
 - This process can take up to 9 months to complete
- Retirement packet will include
 - DD Form 108 (Application for Retired pay Benefits)
 - DD Form 2656 (Data for Payment of Retired Personnel)
 - SF 1199 (Direct Deposit)
 - NGB 23 (RPAM/RPAS statement) is required and is to be attached to the DD 108
 - Various other forms to assist HRC in verifying your service
 - 20 Year Letter
 - DD Form 2656-5 (DD1883) initial RC-SBP elections)
 - NGB Form 22 (record of service)
 - Discharge Order
 - Promotion/Reduction Orders if applying for a higher grade held

APPLICATION FOR RETIRED PAY BENEFITS

See back for Instructions and Privacy Act Statement.

1. TO HRC - FT. KNOX	2. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD) 19520914	3. DATE RETIRED PAY TO BEGIN (YYYYMMDD) 20120914
4. HIGHEST MILITARY PAYGRADE HELD MSG (DOR: 19990315)		

5. APPLICANT NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) DOE, JOHN C.	6a. SERVICE NUMBER (If applicable)	b. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 123-45-6789
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7a. PRESENT HOME ADDRESS (Street, Apt No., City, State, ZIP Code) 123 MAIN STREET TOPEKA, KS 66612	8. PRESENT ASSIGNMENT RETIRED RESERVES
b. HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER (785) 218-3467	

Enter date you desire retired pay to begin (cannot be before age 60)

SERVICE BEFORE 1 JULY 1949

9. ARMED FORCE AND COMPONENT	10. GRADE OR RATING	11. APPROXIMATE DATES OF SERVICE						12. AC								
		a. FROM			b. TO			a. FROM			b. TO					
		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	DAY	MONTH	YEAR			
N/A																

SERVICE AFTER 30 JUNE 1949

13. RETIREMENT YEAR						14. ARMED FORCE AND COMPONENT	15. GRADE OR RATING	16. ACTIVE DUTY						17. RETIREMENT POINTS EARNED
a. FROM			b. TO					a. FROM			b. TO			
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	DAY	MONTH	YEAR			DAY	MONTH	YEAR	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	
						SEE ATTACHED NGB 23C								

DATA FOR PAYMENT OF RETIRED PERSONNEL

(Please read Instructions and Privacy Act Statement before completing form.)

SECTION I - PAY IDENTIFICATION

1. NAME (LAST, First, Middle Initial) DOE, JOHN C	2. SSN 123-45-6789	3. RETIREMENT/ TRANSFER DATE (YYYYMMDD) 20120914	4. RANK/PAY GRADE/ BRANCH OF SERVICE MSG/E8/ARNG	5. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD) 19520914
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6. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS *(Ensure DFAS - Cleveland Center is advised whenever your correspondence address changes.)*

a. STREET (Include apartment number) 123 MAIN STREET	b. CITY TOPEKA	c. STATE KS	d. ZIP CODE 66612	e. TELEPHONE (Incl. area code) (785) 218-3467
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SECTION II - DIRECT DEPOSIT/ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER (DD/EFT) INFORMATION *(See Instructions)*

7. ROUTING NUMBER <i>(See Instructions)</i> 012345678	8. TYPE OF ACCOUNT <i>(Savings (S) or Checking (C))</i> C	9. ACCOUNT NUMBER <i>(See Instructions)</i>
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Must match date on DD 108 (block #3)

10. FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

a. NAME FIRST CREDIT UNION	b. STREET ADDRESS 987 ANYWHERE STREET	c. CITY TOPEKA	d. STATE KS	e. ZIP CODE 66614
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SECTION III - SEPARATION PAYMENT INFORMATION

11. Complete if you have received any one of the payment types listed in 11.a.

a. DID YOU RECEIVE SEVERANCE PAY (SE), READJUSTMENT PAY (RP), SEPARATION PAY (SP), VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE (VSI), OR SPECIAL SEPARATION BONUS (SSB)? <i>(X one. If "Yes," attach a copy of the orders which authorized the payment, and a copy of the DD Form 214.)</i>	b. TYPE OF PAYMENT	c. GROSS AMOUNT
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		

SECTION IV - MEMBER OF THE RESERVE COMPONENT

12. Complete only if a member or former member of the reserve component not on active duty retiring at age 60.

a. DO YOU RECEIVE OR WERE YOU RECEIVING ON THE DATE OF RETIREMENT ANY VA COMPENSATION FOR DISABILITY? <i>(X one)</i>	b. EFFECTIVE DATE OF PAYMENT (YYYYMMDD)	c. MONTHLY AMOUNT OF PAYMENT
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		

SECTION V - DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARIES FOR UNPAID RETIRED PAY *(See INSTRUCTIONS)*

13. Complete this section if you wish to designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive any unpaid retired pay you are due at death.
(Continue in Section X, "Remarks," if necessary.)

a. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) DOE, JANE B.	b. SSN 999-65-4322	c. ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code) 123 MAIN STREET, TOPEKA, KS 66612	d. RELATIONSHIP SPOUSE	e. SHARE 100 %

Can be anyone – even a minor.
(this is for final paycheck only)

SECTION VI - FEDERAL INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING INFORMATION

Please fill out the following form. You can save data typed into this form.

Must honor your 20 year letter selection

MEMBER NAME (LAST, First, Middle Initial) DOE, JOHN C	SSN 123-45-6789
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SECTION IX - SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN (SBP) ELECTION
(It is recommended that you see your Survivor Benefit Plan counselor before making an election.)

26. BENEFICIARY CATEGORY(IES) (X only one item) (See Instructions and Section XI.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	a. I ELECT COVERAGE FOR SPOUSE ONLY. I (X)	<input type="checkbox"/>	DO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DO NOT HAVE DEPENDENT CHILD(REN).
	b. I ELECT COVERAGE FOR SPOUSE AND CHILD(REN).				
	c. I ELECT COVERAGE FOR CHILD(REN) ONLY. I (X)	<input type="checkbox"/>	DO	<input type="checkbox"/>	DO NOT HAVE A SPOUSE.
	d. I ELECT COVERAGE FOR THE PERSON NAMED IN ITEM 28 WHO HAS AN INSURABLE INTEREST IN ME (See Instructions).				
	e. I ELECT COVERAGE FOR MY FORMER SPOUSE (See Instructions and complete DD 2656-1, "Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) Election Statement for Former Spouse Coverage").				
	f. I ELECT COVERAGE FOR MY FORMER SPOUSE AND DEPENDENT CHILD(REN) OF THAT MARRIAGE (See Instructions and complete DD 2656-1, "Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) Election Statement for Former Spouse Coverage").				
	g. I ELECT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN SBP. I (X)	<input type="checkbox"/>	DO	<input type="checkbox"/>	DO NOT HAVE ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS UNDER THE PLAN.

27. LEVEL OF COVERAGE (X one. Complete UNLESS 26.d. or 26.g. was selected above. See Instructions.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	a. I ELECT COVERAGE BASED ON FULL GROSS PAY. (If I elected the Career Status Bonus and REDUX, full gross pay is the amount of retired pay I would have received had I NOT elected the Career Status Bonus.)				
	b. I ELECT COVERAGE WITH A REDUCED BASE AMOUNT OF \$ (See Instructions).				
	c. REDUX MEMBERS ONLY: I ELECT COVERAGE BASED ON MY FULL GROSS PAY UNDER REDUX. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS REPRESENTS A REDUCED BASE AMOUNT AND REQUIRES SPOUSE CONCURRENCE. (See Instructions).				
	d. I ELECT COVERAGE BASED ON THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT IN EFFECT ON THE DATE OF RETIREMENT.				

28. INSURABLE INTEREST BENEFICIARY

a. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)	b. SSN	c. RELATIONSHIP	d. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD)	
e. STREET ADDRESS (Include apartment number)		f. CITY	g. STATE	h. ZIP CODE

This must match your previous election. If you chose Option A initially (declined RC-SBP) you can now purchase SBP.

continue an item or make additional comments. Attach separate sheets if more space is needed.

DECLARATION

For my election, I certify that the number of withholding exemptions claimed does not exceed the number to which I am entitled, and that my election is made with full knowledge of the penalties for making false statements (18 U.S. Code 287 and 1001 provide for a penalty of not more than \$10,000 fine, or 5 years in prison, or both).

Also, I have been counseled that I can terminate SBP participation, with my spouse's written concurrence, within one year after the second anniversary of commencement of retired pay. However, if I exercise my option to terminate the SBP, future participation is barred.

a. SIGNATURE	b. DATE SIGNED (YYYYMMDD)
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Army

- Where can I get these forms??

- Application Packet – Kansas Adjutant General’s website (kansastag.gov)
- NGB 23 – JFHQ – Enlisted Personnel – SFC Etoi Purnell
- Records – Military Archives – Bev Lemman
 - 785-274-1099
 - Fax: 785-274-1004 SF180 (Request pertaining to Military Records)
- eVetRecs – request copies from St. Louis – National Archives

- Schedule an appointment

- In person – fill out forms on the computer together
- Thru the mail
 - Call me – I will ask you a few questions over the phone so that I can complete most of the documents on the computer before mailing to you.

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Information

Reservists may qualify for [Early Retirement Pay](#). The implementation guidance for Reduced Retirement Age is under the Retiring Soon?? Quick Link. This applies to soldiers who deployed after January 28, 2008.

[Table of Benefits](#) for Gray Area Retirees and Recipients of Retired Pay

Pursuing your **Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits**. eBenefits portal is a one-stop shop for benefits designed for wounded warriors, veterans, service members, and their Families. [eBenefits Memo and User Guide](#) for step-by-step procedures for accessing benefits offered.

[List](#) of ID Card facilities. 2 forms of ID are required.

Retirement eStatements Begin!

Beginning November 1, 2011 every military retiree can receive a monthly electronic statement known as an eRAS using myPAY. The eRAS provides a complete summary of a military retiree's pay, deductions and benefits. Military retirees can view their eRAS by logging into [myPay](#). Retirees who choose to register their email addresses with myPay will receive an email notification every month when their eRAS is available. The myPay website is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week from anywhere in the world, and changes retirees make using myPay take effect in just three to five business days.

TRICARE Retired Reserves

For the first time, members of the Retired Reserve who are not yet age 60, the so-called "gray area" retirees, can purchase TRICARE health coverage for themselves and their eligible family

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Emergency Information

Click [here](#) for emergency preparedness information, safety awareness information and general information about severe weather and other potential emergencies that Kansans should be prepared for.

For information provided by Kansas Division of Emergency Management, click [here](#).

For information provided by Kansas Homeland Security, click [here](#).

Army

- **Reduced Retirement Age**

- The 2008 National Defense Authorization Act (NADA) changed the retirement age from 60 to a lesser age for those who have served in a recalled or mobilized status AFTER January 28, 2008.
- The change is not “grandfathered,” – does not apply to service before 29 January 2008.
- The NADA lowers the retirement age by 3 months for each aggregate of 90 days within a fiscal year of ACTIVE DUTY
 - Support of contingency operation including the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan
 - Active service authorized by the President or by the Secretary of Defense for purposes of responding to a national emergency declared by the President
 - Does not include AGR
- The eligibility age for early retirement may not be less than 50
- Supporting documentation needed:
 - DD214's
 - MOB orders
 - REFRAD orders
- Please contact JFHQ – RPAM NCO for assistance when completing these applications



We're improving to better serve you! U.S. Army Human Resources Command is currently redesigning its Web site. During the redesign process, if you find any broken links or other problems, email hrc.webtech@conus.army.mil

Calculate Retired Pay Application

The Calculate Retired Pay Application enables Army Reserve soldiers (retiring at age 60) to ESTIMATE their retirement pay. For AGR soldiers retiring with an Active Duty retirement, please visit the [Office of the Secretary of Defense Military Compensation site](#).

First Name	<input type="text"/>	*=Required Fields
Middle Initial	<input type="text"/>	How to estimate retired pay?
Last Name	<input type="text"/>	
Year Born*	1954 ▾	How is year born used?
Grade at Retirement*	SFC (E7) ▾	How are grades estimated?
Total Years of Service at Retirement*	22 - 23 years ▾	How is service estimated?
Total Points at Retirement*	3710	How are points estimated?

Estimated monthly pay in today's dollars: \$1,068.48

Anticipated monthly pay at age 60 in 2014 : \$1,167.56

[Go to a printer friendly version of the Calculate retired Pay Application-Worksheet](#)

Note: This estimate is based solely on the information you provided. If the retirement information is incorrect or changes prior to your actual retirement, the projected pay contained in this worksheet may differ from the actual amount you will receive. The estimated monthly retired pay cannot exceed seventy-five percent of the monthly base pay. Therefore, you should not base your financial decisions based solely on this document.

Grade	Over 20 Years	Over 22 Years	Over 24 Years	Over 26 Years	Over 28 Years	Over 30 Years	Over 32 Years	Over 34 Years	Over 36 Years	Over 38 Years	Over 40 Years
SFC (E7)	0.277	0.288	0.294	0.314	0.314	0.314	0.314	0.314	0.314	0.314	0.314

[Pay Scale Effective 01 January 2010](#)

Air

- Retired pay begins on your 60th birthday (or earlier if qualify for reduced retirement age); however, **you must apply for it.**
- ARPC processes applications for Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Airman.
 - Located in Denver, CO
- Approximately four months prior to your 60th birthday, HQ ARPC will notify you of your eligibility for retired pay.
 - Include general pay information
 - How to initiate the process
- Critical to maintain current address with HQ ARPC.
 - ARPC Form 69
 - Calling 800-525-0102

Air

- Due to cost saving moves, ARPC does not send out a package to the members, instead sends a letter with instructions on how to download the forms from the website.
- To apply for Reserve retired pay
 - ARPC Form 83
 - DD Form 2656
 - Both of these forms must be received by HQ ARPC to establish the retired pay account.
 - Forms should be submitted at least 30 days, but not earlier than 6 months before the retired pay effective date (normally the Airman's 60th birthday)
- Mailing address:
HQ ARPC/DPTTR
18420 E. Silver Creek Ave
Bldg 390, MS 68
Buckley AFB, CO 80011
Phone No: 800-525-0102

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- Reserve School Selection Board (RSSB) announced
- ARPC hosts Defense Council
- An exhibition of speed mentoring
- Loadmaster soars on American Idol
- SecAF and CSAF discuss changes to active, reserve mix to Congress
- TJAG visits ARPC
- Stop Loss Special Pay Extended 2
- ARPC announces major promotions
- Women's Leadership Symposium focuses on importance of women's role
- Air Force Reserve plans to change about 3,000 jobs in FY13

AFRC Headlines

- April edition of Citizen Airman available online
- Reserve leadership pledges support for ESGR
- Senior leaders discuss future of Air Force Reserve
- Air Force Reserve Pipe Band performs for president 2
- Pararescue Airmen aid avalanche victims

Top Air Force Headlines

- Air Force announces first female four-star general nominee
- AF first female maintenance officer leads way as first African-American female general

ARPC News



ARPC hosts Defense Council

The Air Reserve Personnel Center (ARPC) hosted a Defense Council meeting March 22 at Buckley Air Force Base, in Aurora, Colo. Col. Pat Blassie, ARPC Commander, welcomed more than 90 members of the council with a Serving Generations of Airmen briefing.

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Did You Know?

Eligible Airmen, veterans and their beneficiaries now have until midnight Oct. 21 to apply for retroactive stop loss special pay following an extension in the continuing resolution authorized by Public Law 112-74. To file a claim, eligible individuals may download a stop loss claim application at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/stoploss. Applicants who were serving in the Reserve or Guard at the time of stop loss may apply by visiting vPC-GR via the Air Force Personnel Services website: <https://gum-crm.csd.disa.mil/>

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HQ ARPC/DPTTR
Retirement Division
 18420 E. Silver Creek Ave., Bldg 390,
 MS68
 Buckley AFB CO 80011

1-800-525-0102
 Fax: 478-327-2215

Contact Separations

HQ ARPC/DPTTS
Separations Branch
 18420 E. Silver Creek Ave., Bldg 390,
 MS68
 Buckley AFB CO 80011

Fax
 1-800-525-0102
 DSN: 497-2215
 Commercial: 478-327-2215

APPLICATION FOR RETIRED PAY

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

AUTHORITY Title 10 U.S.C., Section 1401, Computation of Retired Pay; AFI 36-3209, Separation and Retirement Procedures for Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Members; and E.O. 9397.

PURPOSE Completed form designates Reserve member request to receive retired pay at age 60.

ROUTINE USE None. Furnishing the information is voluntary. However, if you do not disclose this information, receipt of your retired pay may be delayed.

I, _____
(Full Name, Rank, and Social Security Number) (Please Print)

do hereby apply for retired pay under the provision of Title 10 U.S.C., Section 12731, to be effective on _____, normally the 60th birthday.

I have completed and am returning the attached form along with this application.

DD Form 2656, **Data for Payment of Retired Personnel.**

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800-321-1080
 M-F, 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. ET

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LATEST NEWS

13 Payments May Affect Your Taxes
 A change in the law required DFAS to issue 13 payments in the 2011 tax year. Read more to find out how this could affect your taxes.

Tax Statements: What You Need to Know
 It's almost time to pull together your paperwork for filing. Check out this guide to 1099Rs.

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Monthly eRAS Began Nov. 1



[Read more about eRAS](#)

ABOUT R&A PAY

R&A Pay establishes, maintains and pays military retirees, their surviving spouses and other family members.

Army Echoes

- 16 Page bulletin published and mailed to retired soldiers and surviving annuitant spouses three times a year
- Its purpose is to keep Army Retired Soldiers and Family members abreast of their rights and privileges and inform them of developments and upcoming changes
- Includes directory of every possible phone number a retiree/annuitant would ever need
- <http://www.armyg1.army.mil/RSO/echoes.asp>

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THE NEWSLETTER FOR
RETIRED SOLDIERS,
SURVIVING SPOUSES & FAMILIES



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Raymond T. Odierno
General, United States Army
Chief of Staff

Greetings Retired Soldiers and Families,

I would like to thank you for your continued support to our Army. Building on your legacy of selfless service – in and out of uniform – our All-Volunteer Army remains the Nation’s

in all that we do. In the Army alone, we’ve awarded more than 14,000 medals for valor over the last ten years, including six Medals of Honor and 22 Distinguished

have to accept higher levels of risk than we have in the past. Determining where best to do so is the primary task before us. We’ll reach these decisions in conjunction with

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Army Retirement Services: <http://www.armyg1.army.mil/retire>

Address Change: See boxes on pg. 15. DON'T send to Echoes.

Armed Forces Retirement Home: 3700 N Capitol St, NW; Washington, DC 1-800-422-9988; 20011-8400; 1800 Beach Dr.; Gulfport, MS 39507 1-800-332-3527 <http://www.afrh.gov>

Army & Air Force Exchange Service: <http://www.aafes.com>

Army Career & Alumni Program: <http://www.acap.army.mil>

Army Emergency Relief: 1-866-878-6378; (703) 428-0000; <http://www.aerhq.org>

Army Homepage: <http://www.army.mil>

Army Knowledge Online: <https://www.us.army.mil>

Combat-Related Special Compensation: 1-866-281-3254; <http://www.crsc.army.mil>; FAX —877-368-9208

Concurrent Retirement & Disability Payment: 1-800-321-1080, <http://www.dfas.mil>, under "Retired Pay"

Death — Report a Retired Soldier's Death: Call local installation Casualty Assistance Office or HQDA Casualty Operations Center, 1-800-626-3317; from overseas, call 502-613-3317 collect. <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/tagd/cmaoc/cmaoc.htm>

Arlington National Cemetery: (703) 607-8585; <http://www.arlingtoncemetery.org>

DEERS: 1-800-538-9552; (831) 583-2500
ID card records update in case of death or divorce: Contact nearest ID card facility: <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl/owa/home>

Defense Commissary Agency: <http://www.commissaries.com>

Medicare <http://www.medicare.gov>; 1-800-633-4227

Reserve <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/reserve>
(requires Army Knowledge Online login)

Reserve Benefits: 1-888-276-9472 or (502) 613-8950

Application for Reserve Retired Pay: (You should receive packet at age 58.) HRC; ATTN: AHRC-PDR-RCR; 1600 Spearhead Division Ave.; Dept 420; Ft Knox, KY 40122-5402

Retiree Mobilization: https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/Reserve/soldierservices/mobilization/retireemob_vol.htm

VA <http://www.va.gov>

Regional Offices: 1-800-827-1000 (Retirees overseas should contact the American Embassy/consulate); TDD (Telecommunications Device for Deaf) 1-800-829-4833

Insurance: VA Regional Office and Insurance Center; PO Box 7208 (claims inquiries); PO Box 7327 (loans); PO Box 7787 (payments); Philadelphia, PA 19101; 1-800-669-8477

Health Care Benefits: 1-877-222-8387

Grave Information: 1-800-697-6947

GI Bill: 1-888-442-4551 or <http://www.gibill.va.gov>

TRICARE Information <http://www.tricare.mil>

TRICARE North: 1-877-TRICARE; <https://www.healthnetfederalservices.com>
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Retiree Council: Co-chairs meet with CSAF about issues affecting retired military entitlements, concerns

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFRNS) -- Retired Lt. Gen. Steven Polk and the 15th Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Rod McKinley, Air Force Retiree Council co-chairmen, met with Chief of Staff Gen Norton A. Schwartz and other members of his staff at the

and changes in benefits.

"Chief McKinley and I thank General Schwartz and all the other senior leaders who took the time to meet with us, and for their willingness to listen to what our retiree family has to say about the various issues."

The co-chairmen lead the Air

Annuity & Survivor Benefits

- On 30 September 1978, Public Law 95–397 established the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RC–SBP) which allows Reserve Component members to purchase the same protection afforded Active Army (AA) members since 21 September 1972 with the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP).
- RC–SBP allows a retirement–eligible Reserve soldier to elect to receive reduced retired pay during his/her lifetime in order to provide a continuation of a portion of his/her retired pay, to a survivor upon the retiree's death.
- Begin paying for it when you begin drawing retired pay
- SBP changes retired pay from a “single–life payout” to a “joint and survivor payout”.

Annuity & Survivor Benefits

- Receipt of 20 year letter: Soldier makes an election and returns form within 90 days.
 - Under the RC-SBP you had three options for enrollment:
 - OPTION A (No participation): The Soldier elects not to participate in the RCSBP. The Soldier reserves the right to enroll in the SBP when he/she reaches age 60 or acquires an eligible beneficiary (adding a beneficiary must be made within 1 year of the event, i.e. marriage, adoption, etc).
 - OPTION B (No Annuity until 60): The Soldier elects coverage, but desires no annuities to be paid to the beneficiaries until the Soldier would have attained age 60.
 - OPTION C (Immediate Annuity): The Soldier elects coverage requiring that annuity payments begin immediately upon the death of the Soldier.
- Failure to make an election will result in “automatic” spouse coverage, option C, full base amount, for which premiums will begin to be owed at age 60.
 - Prior to 1 January 2001, failure to make any or a proper RC-SBP election “defaulted” to no coverage.

Annuity & Survivor Benefits

- The cost of participation in the RC-SBP is borne by you when you start to receive retired pay. Upon your death, that cost is transferred to the annuitant.
- Once you make an election, you may not, by law, cancel your participation in RC-SBP.
 - The retired Soldier, with spouse concurrence, can opt to discontinue SBP participation during the one-year period between the 25th and 36th month following commencement of retired pay. No costs are refunded and no future enrollment is allowed.
- The cost of the RC-SBP is based upon your age and the age of your annuitant at the time of election, the option you select, the base amount you select to cover and your retired pay.
 - Visit www.hrc.army.mil to calculate your approximate RC-SBP costs.
- RC-SBP pays your designated annuitant 55 percent of your retired pay for the remainder of the annuitant's life.



Calculate Survivor Benefit Plan Application

Personal Information

[How to estimate SBP costs/benefits?](#)

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

Pay Grade Total Years of Service Total Points Retired Pay

SFC (E7)

20 - 21 years

3047

\$844.02

Step 1: Pay Calculate

Clear

Desired Coverage

Required Ages Your age nearest birthday at of time of election

Your spouse's or former spouse age nearest birthday at time of election

Beneficiary Election Spouse/Former Spouse/Spouse and Children

RCSBP Estimates (2-Tier Benefit System)	A: Defer Election	B: Deferred Annuity	C: Immediate Annuity
Base Retired Pay:	\$844.02	\$844.02	\$844.02
Desired Coverage:		\$844.02	\$844.02
Reservist Cost Factor:		\$2.46	\$3.34
Basic SBP Cost:		-\$31.83	-\$31.83
RCSBP Cost:		-\$20.76	-\$28.19
Total Deductions:		\$52.59	\$60.02
Net Retired Pay:	\$844.02	\$791.43	\$784.00
Annuity amount 55%:	\$0.00	\$452.79	\$448.71

Reporting of Retiree Deaths

- It is very important that you inform your beneficiary of the process required, upon your death. They must immediately contact the following office(s) that apply to their retirement status and branch of service at the time of death. Once notification is made, these office(s) will assist the survivor in processing survivor benefit claims:
 - **“Gray Area” Retiree (Prior to Age 60 and Not Receiving Retired Pay):**
Survivors of Air National Guard retirees should contact the Entitlements Branch at HQ ARPC, toll-free 1-800-525-0102 and ask for Casualty Office.

Survivors of Army National Guard retirees should contact the Transition and Separation Branch at U.S. Army Human Resources Command, toll-free 1-800-318-5298 or commercial (314) 592-0553.
 - **“Retiree” (After age 60 and Receiving Retired Pay):**
Survivors of Air/Army National Guard retirees should report deaths to the DFAS at 1800-321-1080 or by fax 1-800-469-6559.

Survivors should report deaths to the Retirement Services Office at 274-1574

RETIREE'S DEATH

- Prompt reporting of a deceased retiree's death can help avoid delay and possible financial hardship to surviving annuitant beneficiaries who will be required to return any unearned payments of the decedent's military retired pay.
- **Step 1** – Notify DFAS Casualty Care Team at 800-321-1080. Please have the decedent's Social Security Number and the date of death when you call.
 - Upon notification, DFAS will begin to close out the pay account to prevent any overpayments.
- **Step 2** – Please contact your financial institution and inform them of the death of the retiree.
- ▶ **Step 3** – Within 7-10 business days after reporting the death to DFAS, you should receive a condolence letter.

RETIREE'S DEATH

- If the member is due arrears of pay you will also receive a [SF1174 Claim](#) for Unpaid Compensation of Deceased Member of the Uniformed Service.
- If the decedent was enrolled in the Survivor Benefit Plan you should also receive an Annuity Care Package for completion and return. (mailed a week later)
- **Step 4 – Complete the SF 1174 you received with your condolence letter and return with a copy of the retiree's Death Certificate that reflects cause of death to:**
 - DFAS U.S. Military Retired Pay
P.O. Box 7130
London, KY40742-7130
Fax: 800-469-6559
- **Families may also receive assistance with these requirements from the State Retirement Services Office at 785-274-1574.**

ANNUITANT'S DEATH

- Prompt reporting of a deceased annuitant's death can help avoid delay and possible financial hardship to surviving family members, who will be required to return any unearned payments of the decedent's annuity pay.
- **Step 1** – Please contact DFAS at 800-321-1080 to report the death of the annuitant.
- **Step 2** – Please send a copy of the annuitant's death certificate showing cause of death to:

DFAS U.S. Military Annuitant Pay
P.O. Box 7131
London, KY40742-7131
FAX: 800-982-8459

- **Families may also receive assistance with these requirements from the State Retirement Services Office at 785-274-1574.**

Processing a SBP Claim

- SBP processing only applies to soldiers who are not receiving retired pay. The Reserve Component Retirement Branch maintains files and electronic data on all Army National Guard and Army Reserve soldiers who elect to use the SBP program by completing the SBP election form (DD FORM 1883) or DD Form 2656-5.
- **PRE AGE 60:**
 - ARNG – FT. KNOX (800-318-5298)
 - ANG – DENVER (800-525-0102)
- A memo/letter request by the claimant notifying the Army of the soldier's death, and requesting all benefits and entitlements due them and their family.
- A completed [DD FORM 2656-7](#) Application For Annuity Under the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) .
- A direct deposit form from the annuitants financial institution.
- A copy of the final Death Certificate.
- If the soldier was member of the National Guard, a copy of the soldier's last annual retirement point statement (NGB 23).
- A copy of the marriage certificate or divorce decree authorizing former spouse coverage.
- A completed copy of Form W-4P Withholding Certificate for Pension or Annuity Payments.
- If children are involved a completed DD Form 2790 and DD 2788.
- **Please call the State Retirement Services Office at 785-274-1085.**

