



DATE: June 10, 2024

TO: County Veteran Service Offices and the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System

FROM: John Hilgert, Director

RE: LB 252 ([80-412](#))

Effective July 19, 2024, I have designated the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs (NDVA) Registry database, which is currently VetraSpec, as the method for permanent registry of graves (death and burial information) for deceased veterans in the state of Nebraska. Death and burial information will be entered into the Veteran's VetraSpec profile by each county veteran service office of the county in which the veteran is interred. The entering of death and burial data into the NDVA Registry will suffice the state statute ([80-412](#)) requirement of immediately forwarding such information to the office of the director of NDVA by the county veteran service office. Veterans service offices using VetraSpec may discontinue sending the death and burial fillable 3x5 pdf to NDVA. Instructions for inputting death and burial information into VetraSpec are attached and also available on the [CVSO Online Bulletin Board](#). Should a county not maintain access to the NDVA's VetraSpec license the county veteran service office will need to continue or begin providing death and burial information to the office of the NDVA director on the prescribed format of 3x5 card fillable pdf document which is and will continue to be available on the CVSO Bulletin Board.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "John Hilgert", is written over a horizontal line.

**John Hilgert**  
Director NDVA