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PRESS RELEASE

UNACCOMPANIED VETERAN BURIAL TO BE HELD AT RIO GRANDE VALLEY TEXAS STATE VETERANS CEMETERY

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ABILENE — Today, Texas Veterans Land Board Chairman George P. Bush announced that on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. SHARP, the Rio Grande Valley Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Mission will conduct an Unaccompanied Veteran burial for SP4 Applegate. Born on October 3, 1944, Mr. Edward R. Applegate served in the United States Army from August 19, 1965 to July 31, 1967. SP4 Edward Applegate received a National Defense Service Medal during his time in the United States Army. He also received the Driver's Badge and Expert Rifle Badge.

Mr. Applegate is not expected to have anyone attend his burial. Please help us spread the word and ensure that our United States Army Veteran is not buried alone. Members of the Mission community are encouraged to attend.

Applegate will receive full military honors. If no next-of-kin is present at the burial, the On-Site Representative of the Veterans Land Board will accept the United States flag on Applegate's behalf.

The Texas Veterans Land Board works with the local community and fellow Veterans service organizations to ensure that NO Veteran is EVER left behind.

Please consider sharing our social media posts to help notify the community on [Facebook](#) and Twitter

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Details:

Thursday, October 24, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. SHARP
Service for Mr. Edward Applegate, U.S. Army Veteran

Location:

Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery

2520 South Inspiration Road
Mission, Texas 78572

Media is welcome, and we ask that you [RSVP](#) so that we can facilitate your coverage of the service. Thank you for your support of our Texas Veterans. Together as a community, we can guarantee that NO Veteran is EVER left behind.

While times vary, the Texas Veterans Land Board issues an advisory to the community upon notice of an unaccompanied Veteran burial.