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PRESS RELEASE

UNACCOMPANIED VETERAN BURIAL TO BE HELD AT COASTAL BEND STATE VETERANS CEMETERY

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AMARILLO — Today, Texas Veterans Land Board Chairman George P. Bush announced that on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. SHARP, the Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery in Corpus Christi, Texas will conduct an Unaccompanied Veteran burial for SR Don Lesley Ward. Born on July 22, 1956, Mr. Ward served in the United States Navy from August 6, 1975 to December 15, 1976. Mr. Ward is not expected to have anyone attend his burial. Please help us spread the word and ensure that our United States Navy Veteran is not buried alone. Members of the Corpus Christi community are encouraged to attend.

Don Lesley Ward will receive 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 Mr. Ward'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](#).

Details:

Thursday, February 27, 2020 @ 2:00 p.m. SHARP
Service for SR Don Lesley Ward, U.S. Navy Veteran

Location:

Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery
9974 IH 37 Access Road
Corpus Christi, TX 78410

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.