## Information on the inurnment ceremony for Col. Jerry Cashion

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## Information on the inurnment ceremony for a former USAWC graduate and faculty member



Colonel Jerry Cashion, USAWC 2008 graduate and faculty member, will receive full military honors at an inurnment ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery on Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 1 p.m.

Cashion died on Nov 2, 2012 at his home.

Between 2009 and 2012 Cashion served for two years as a DMSPO faculty instructor for Seminar 3, and on the USAWC staff as a G-5.

Cashion was a 1981 graduate of Cornersville High School in Tennessee and received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1986 from Tennessee Tech University.

Cashion was a veteran of the Persian Gulf War and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

He was a fitness instructor at the Carlisle YMCA and a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Carlisle.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Brenda Katherine (Dunning) Cashion; one daughter, Kelly Anne Cashion; and one son, Clayton Jerrel Cashion.

Family and friends who plan to attend the inurnment ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery are required to meet/rally at the Memorial Gate not later than 12:30 p.m. and need to inform security guards that they are there to attend Col. Cashion's inurnment at 1 p.m. (the guards will inform attendees where to assemble their vehicles).

Family and friends will follow the official procession from Memorial Gate to the Columbarium, so personal vehicle transportation is a must.

The uniform for military personnel is Class A/Service A/ASU.

## Sequence of events:

- The caisson arrives at the Columbarium, everyone presents arms (renders a salute).
- Bearer team secures the urn, NCOIC, OIC and chaplain salute.
- Chaplain leads the way to the niche, followed by bearer team.
- Bearer team sets down the urn and secures the flag.
- Family and friends seated.
- Chaplain performs the service.

- Once chaplain concludes the service, NCOIC steps up to the urn.
- A cemetery representative will ask family and friends to rise for honors.
- The NCOIC presents arms to initiate the rifle volley.
- Once rifle volley complete, bugler plays Taps.
- Everyone asked to be seated.
- Bearer team leader folds the flag and passes it either to the NCOIC or OIC.
- NCOIC/OIC passes the flag to the chaplain, who will present it to Kathie. Mary (mother), Kelly (daughter), Clayton (son) will also be presented flags.
- An Arlington Lady presents a card of condolence to the next-of-kin.
- Chaplain extends condolences to the family.
- Cemetery representative announces the service is concluded.

## Additional notes:

- Arlington will provide a niche cover and place it over the niche at some point after the ceremony.
- If the temperature is below 32 degrees, then all elements of the band may not be available to perform. A modified band will then provide the honors. Additionally, certain weather conditions may make it unsafe for the horse pulling the caisson to support a funeral service.
- Arlington National Cemetery's website: www.arlingtoncemetery.mil

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