

2D FORCE RECONNAISSANCE ASSOCIATION

MEMORIAL & CONDOLENCE POLICY

Background: The members of 2d Force Reconnaissance Foundation (2dFRA) have historically recognized the passing of a brother with flowers or financial gift to the charity of choice. The charity being directed by their spouse, family, or significant other of the deceased member. The gift is intended to provide recognition, fellowship and support at a time of high stress.

In some cases, the Association has assisted in paying for funeral expenses for the deceased. The issue has been a lack of consistency in the amount and manner of this action.

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to establish a fair and consistent giving policy by the Association. Donation size is not based personal popularity, rank, or length of service, but based entirely on membership. In order to do so for the greatest number of our brothers, the 2dFRA will set a sum of 3,500.00, for this purpose. This number will be evaluated by the Board of Directors each even-numbered year, and possibly adjusted, according to cost of living.

Execution:

1. Upon notification of the potential passing of a brother, the Secretary will review the most current roster to determine the address and any Next of Kin (NoK) information. Relaying that information to the Board of Directors, Chaplain and the appropriate Regional Director (RD).
2. The Chaplain will attempt to confirm the death via the NoK, funeral home or a minimum of 2 other members. Once confirmed the Chaplain will confirm the appropriate mailing address for the funeral home and home of record then notify the Board.
3. The President or Treasurer will either order a floral array or make a donation to the charitable activity, based in the wishes of the NOK IAW or the published obituary up to a maximum of \$100.00.
4. The Communications Director will send out a mass e-mail to all members with all information acceptable to the NoK.
5. President will mail personalized Association Sympathy card.

Additional Issues:

- If Brothers wish to donate more to the family, they will be encouraged to establish an on-line donation site. This site address and purpose will be relayed to all brothers via a Mass E-Mail. Tax laws preclude the acceptance of directed donations by the 2dFRA. Members can request their donation be used to support memorial activities.
- No information will be posted on social media without confirmed permission from the deceased Brother's Next of Kin.
- There will be No restrictions expressed, or implied or how the funds are used.
- If multiple members attend the memorial no additional funds will be authorized.

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- The name of the deceased will be included in the Memorial events at the next Reunion. A card will be set by the Association to the Next of Kin, informing them of the recognition of their loved one at the conclusion of the first reunion after their passing.

This Policy was adopted by a vote of the Board of Directors 17 Aug 2023 with no dissention.