



(January 25, 2012)

In order to further improve the lines of communication and to respond to the concerns between the National VA Council and you our members, I have established a National VA Council Briefing. This NVAC Briefing will bring you the latest news and developments within DVA and provide you with the current status of issues this Council is currently addressing. I believe that this NVAC Briefing will greatly enhance the way in which we communicate and the way in which we share new information, keeping you better informed.

Alma L. Lee

National VA Council, President

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**In This Briefing: Deepest Sympathy...**

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On behalf of the AFGE/National VA Council, I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Ms. Malinda Morrow-Kitchings, President of Local 0031 (Cleveland VAMC) in the loss of her father Mr. Henry A. Ward Jr., on January 23, 2012. Mr. Ward served his country honorably during World War II.

Friends and family will be received on Thursday, January 26, 2012 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and again on Friday, January 27, 2012, from 2:00 p.m. until 6:45 p.m., at EF Boyd and Son Funeral Home and Crematory, located at 15357 Euclid Avenue, East Cleveland, Ohio 44112. Their contact number is (216) 541-2856.

Services will be held on Saturday January 28, 2012 ~ Wake at 4:30 p.m. followed by Funeral Services at 5:00 p.m., also at EF Boyd and Son Funeral Home and Crematory.

Repass will be immediately following the service at the New Fellowship Baptist Church, located at 1230 Parkwood Drive, Cleveland, Ohio 44108. Their phone number is (216) 721-0234.

Interment will be held on Monday, January 30, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., with full Military Honors at the Ohio Western Reserve Society National Cemetery located at 10175 Rawiga Road, in Seville, Ohio.

At this time, we ask that you keep Malinda and her family in your thoughts and prayers in hopes that they will find peace in the midst of this very difficult time. With deepest condolences...