



Lost DD214 Instructions (rapid response)

DD214 is the summation of military service on one 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper that the military gives to exiting soldiers.

There is a source within the VA for getting lost DD214's on a rush basis.

Here is what you need to do. You will be faxing your request to:

National Personnel Records Center
Military Personnel Records
9700 Page Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63132-5100

(314) 801-0800 Voice

(314) 801-0764 Fax

Fax the following:

1. VA Form SF-180 Form completely filled out by veteran
2. Letter signed by veteran explaining why he needs the form on an expedited basis (referencing a home loan that is closing within 1 week)
3. Include your return fax number

They will process in about 72 hours.

REQUEST PERTAINING TO MILITARY RECORDS

To ensure the best possible service, please thoroughly review the accompanying instructions before filling out this form. Please print clearly or type. If you need more space, use plain paper.

SECTION I - INFORMATION NEEDED TO LOCATE RECORDS (Furnish as much as possible.)

1. NAME USED DURING SERVICE (last, first, and middle)	2. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.	3. DATE OF BIRTH	4. PLACE OF BIRTH	
5. SERVICE, PAST AND PRESENT (For an effective records search, it is important that all service be shown below.)				
BRANCH OF SERVICE	DATES OF SERVICE		CHECK ONE	SERVICE NUMBER DURING THIS PERIOD (If unknown, write "unknown")
	DATE ENTERED	DATE RELEASED	OFFICER ENLISTED	
a. ACTIVE SERVICE				
b. RESERVE SERVICE				
c. NATIONAL GUARD				
6. IS THIS PERSON DECEASED? If "YES" enter the date of death. <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES _____		7. IS (WAS) THIS PERSON RETIRED FROM MILITARY SERVICE? <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		

SECTION II - INFORMATION AND/OR DOCUMENTS REQUESTED

1. **REPORT OF SEPARATION** (DD Form 214 or equivalent). This contains information normally needed to verify military service. A copy may be sent to the veteran, the deceased veteran's next of kin, or other persons or organizations if authorized in Section III, below. NOTE: If more than one period of service was performed, even in the same branch, there may be more than one Report of Separation. Be sure to show EACH year that a Report of Separation was issued, for which you need a copy.

An UNDELETED Report of Separation is requested for the year(s) _____

This normally will be a copy of the full separation document including such sensitive items as the character of separation, authority for separation, reason for separation, reenlistment eligibility code, separation (SPD/SPN) code, and dates of time lost. An undeleted version is ordinarily required to determine eligibility for benefits.

A DELETED Report of Separation is requested for the year(s) _____

The following information will be deleted from the copy sent: authority for separation, reason for separation, reenlistment eligibility code, separation (SPD/SPN) code, and for separations after June 30, 1979, character of separation and dates of time lost.

2. **OTHER INFORMATION AND/OR DOCUMENTS REQUESTED** _____

3. **PURPOSE** (Optional - An explanation of the purpose of the request is strictly voluntary. Such information may help the agency answering this request to provide the best possible response and will in no way be used to make a decision to deny the request.) _____

SECTION III - RETURN ADDRESS AND SIGNATURE

1. **REQUESTER IS:**

Military service member or veteran identified in Section I, above
 Next of kin of deceased veteran _____ (relation)

Legal guardian (must submit copy of court appointment)
 Other (specify) _____

2. **SEND INFORMATION/DOCUMENTS TO:**
 (Please print or type. See item 3 on accompanying instructions.)

3. **AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURE REQUIRED** (See item 2 on accompanying instructions.) I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the information in this Section III is true and correct.

Name _____
 Street _____ Apt. _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Signature of requester (Please do not print.) _____
 Date of this request () _____ Daytime phone _____
 Email address _____