

WASHINGTON- Congressman Lee Terry would like to announce that the Department of Veterans Affairs continues to search for land to place a national cemetery in eastern Nebraska. The original deadline to offer possible sites was June 1, 2010. That date has now been extended. The VA is looking for a parcel of 200 continuous acres, or larger. The area also must be within 25 miles of the interchange of Interstate 80 and Interstate 680 in Omaha.

"When I first introduced legislation to bring a national veterans cemetery to eastern Nebraska several years ago, I was confident it would happen," said Congressman Terry. "I am pleased to see the VA is now taking an active role to purchase land for this much-needed place of rest for our men and women in uniform. Our military deserve an opportunity to be buried in a national cemetery close to their home, a fitting tribute to their sacrifices for the freedoms enjoyed by every United States citizen."

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