



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

National Cemetery Administration

Western New York National Cemetery

1254 Indian Falls Road, Pembroke, New York, 14036

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- The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) National Cemetery Administration announced the acquisition of two additional parcels of land adjacent to the originally purchased 132-acres for the Western New York National Cemetery in Pembroke, New York.
- Consistent with the master plan, VA purchased a 60-acre and a 75-acre parcel to ensure the safety and efficiency of funeral processions and traffic.
- The cemetery will serve the burial needs of more than 96,000 Veterans for the next 70 years and will be the seventh VA national cemetery in the state of New York.
- Currently there are five VA national cemeteries open in New York: Bath (Bath); Woodlawn (Elmira); Gerald B. Solomon Saratoga (Schuylerville); Calverton (Calverton); and Long Island (Farmingdale). There are no state Veterans cemeteries in New York.
- In May 2014, VA purchased 132-acres located at 1232 Indian Falls Road, Pembroke, New York, for \$625,000. The property has access off of Exit 48A from the I-90 thruway and is located in Genesee County.
- The initial phase of construction will develop approximately 70 acres and provide for approximately 10 years of interment capacity, accommodating burial of both casketed and cremated remains. The cemetery will include other features such as a front entrance, an administration building, a maintenance building, a flagpole assembly area, a memorial walkway, committal shelters, and a public information center with an electronic gravesite locator, and restrooms. Other cemetery infrastructure features include roads, landscaping, utilities and irrigation.
- VA plans to solicit and award a construction contract by late summer 2018. Construction is targeted for the fall.
- A dedication ceremony and first burials are expected to occur approximately 12 to 18 months after construction starts.

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