Veterans: Resources for Survivors

Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS)
1-800-959-TAPS (8277)
www.taps.org

- An excellent resource for those who have lost a loved one during military service (KIA). Provides survivor assistance including education assistance and grief support services as well as information on what is going on in the Government on these issues.
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  - education assistance
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- Peer Support for Bereaved Survivors
- Youth grief services led by experts in the fields of child development, mental health and education

Marine GySgt John D. Fry Scholarship
www.military.com/education/money-for-school/fry-scholarship.html

- The Fry Scholarship is an amendment to the Post-9/11 GI Bill that gives education benefits to the surviving spouses and children of service members who die in the line of duty after Sept. 10, 2001.
- Full tuition coverage at state-operated colleges and universities (paid to school)
  - For those attending private or foreign schools tuition & fees are capped at $21,970.46 per academic year.
- Monthly living stipend and book allowance (paid to member)
- Surviving spouses may use this service for 15 years from the anniversary of the service member’s death or until they remarry.
- Eligible children can use the Fry Scholarship between the ages of 18 and 33

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There are many possible benefits available to survivors including:
- Burial
- CHAMPVA
- Dependents Indemnity Compensation (DIC)
• Parents DIC
• Education and Training
• Education Program Refund
• Home Loan Guarantee
• Health Care
• Life Insurance Proceeds
• Commissary and Exchange Privileges