

VETERANS BENEFITS IN 2009

Qualifications for Non-Service Connected Aid & Attendance

VETERAN OR SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A VETERAN

2009 MAXIMUM PENSION RATES FOR AID & ATTENDANCE

Single Veteran	\$ 1,644.00 per month - \$ 19,736.00 per year
Married Veteran	\$ 1,949.00 per month - \$ 23,396.00 per year
Widowed Spouse of a Veteran	\$ 1,056.00 per month - \$ 12,681.00 per year

For purposes of those claimants in assisted living, some of the general rules for the Veterans Aid & Attendance Program are:

- ☆ The active war-times are described as follows: WWII (12/07/41-12/31/46), Korean War (6/27/50-1/31/55), Vietnam Conflict (8/5/64-5/7/75), Gulf War (8/2/90-Present).
- ☆ The \$80,000 asset threshold does not include the value of the claimant's home, car, prepaid funeral plan, and personal property.
- ☆ In order for the claimant to receive the maximum pension rate reflected above, the claimant must be able to show that his or her monthly income does not exceed the total cost of his or her unreimbursed medical expenses.
- ☆ Unreimbursed medical expenses generally include doctor's fees, dentist's fees, prescription glasses, Medicare premium deductions and co-payments, prescription medications, transportation to physician's offices, therapies, caregiver services, and assisted living expenses.



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