Gravestone Abbreviations:

AAONMS Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (Masonic)
AASR Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite (Masonic)
ABA American Benefit Association
AF&AM Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
ALOH American Legion of Honor
AMD Allied Masonic Degree
AMORC Ancient and Mystical Order Rosae Crucis (Rosicrucians)
AMOS Ancient Mystic Order of Samaritans
AOF Ancient Order Of Foresters
AOH Ancient Order of Hibernians
AOKMC Ancient Order Of Knights of Mystic Chain
AOUW Ancient Order Of United Workmen
APA American Protective Association
AUM Ancient Order of Mysteries (Masonic)
AUSA Association of the United States Army
AUV Association of Union Veterans
B of RTM Brotherhood of Rail Road Track Men
BARE Benefit Association Of Railway Employees
BAY Brotherhood of American Yeomen
BK of M Black Knights of Molders
BKA Benevolent Knights Association
BLE Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers
BLF&E Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen & Engineers
BPOE Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
BPOEW Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World
BRT Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen
BSA Boy Scouts of America
C of C Children of the Confederacy
CAR Children of the American Revolution
CBKA Commandery Benevolent Knights Association
CBL Catholic Benevolent Legion
CCTAS Crusaders-Catholic Total Abstinence Society
CD of A Catholic Daughters of America
CK of A Catholic Knights of America
CMBA Catholic Mutual Benefit Association
COOF Catholic Order of Foresters
CSA Confederate States Army
CSN Confederate States Navy
CTAS Catholic Total Abstinence Society
DAR Daughters of the American Revolution
Deo Vindice Latin for God will Vindicate
D.O.A./DA Daughters of America
DAC Daughters of the American Colonists
DAV Disabled American Veterans
DOKK Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan (Knights of Pythias)
DoL Daughters of Liberty
DOLLUS Dames of the Loyal Legion of the United States
DON Daughters of the Nile (Masonic)
DUV / DUVCW Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
EAA Experimental Aircraft Association
EAU Equitable Aid Union
EBA Emerald Beneficial Association
FAA Free and Accepted Americans
FAM Free and Accepted Masons
FCB Knights of Pythias
FCL Fraternity, Charity, Loyalty, seen on some Union and Masonic stones
FLT Independent Order of Odd Fellows
FMF Fleet Marine Force
FOAST Fraternal Order of Alaska State Troopers
FOE Fraternal Order of Eagles
FOF Fraternal Order of Firefighters
FOP Fraternal Order of Police
GAR Grand Army of the Republic
GSA Girl Scouts of America
GALSTPTR German American Legion of St. Peter
GLAUM Grand Lodge Ancient Order of Mysteries-Masonic Order
1GLDSt Grand Lodge Daughters of Scotia
GUOOF Grand United Order of Odd Fellows
IBBH International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers
ICBU Irish Catholic Benevolent Union
IHSV Red Cross of Constantine (Masonic)
IOA International Order of Alhambra
IODE Independent Order, Daughters of the Empire
IOF Independent Order of Foresters
IOGT International Order of Good Templars
IOH Improved Order of Heptasophs
IOI Independent Order of Immaculates
IOJD Independent Order of Job's Daughters
IOKP Independent Order of Knights of Pythias
IOOF Independent Order of Odd Fellows
IOOF-PM Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Past Master
IOR Independent Order of Rechabites
IORG International Order of Rainbow Girls (Masonic)
IORM Improved Order of Redmen (Sons of Liberty)
IOStL Independent Order of St. Luke
IOV International Order of Vikings
ISDA Italian Sons and Daughters of America
ISH Independent Sons of Honor
IUOM Independent United Order of Mechanics
IWW Industrial Workers of the World
JAOUW Junior Order-Ancient Order of United Workmen
J.O.A.M. Junior Order of American Mechanics
J.O.U.A.M. Junior Order of United American Mechanics
K.of C. / KC Knights of Columbus
K.of P. / KP Knights of Pythias
K of FM / KFM Knights of Father Matthew
K of H Knights of Honor
K of L Knights of Loyola
K of SJ Knights of St. John
K of STP Knights of St. Patrick
K of STW Knights of St. Wenceslas
K of T / KT Knights of Tabor
K of TM Knights of the Macabees
KG Knights of St. George
K.M. / KM Knights of Malta (Masonic)
KM Knights Militant (KKK)
K.T. / KT Knights Templar (Masonic)
KGC Knights of the Golden Chain
KGC Knights of the Golden Circle
KGE Knights of the Golden Eagle
KGL Knight Grand Legion
KHC Knights of Holy Cross
KKK Knights of Klu-Klux Klan
KLH Knights and Ladies of Honor
KMC Knights of the Mystic Chain
KOL Knights of Labor
KPC Knights of Peter Claver
KSC Knights of St. Columbkille
KSF Knights of Sherwood Forest
KSL Knights of St. Lawrence
KOTM Knights of the Macabees
KSTG Knights of St. George
KSTI Knights of St. Ignatius
KSTJ Knights of St. Joseph
KSTM Knights of St. Martin
KSTP Knights of St. Paul
KSTP Knights of St. Peter
KSTT Knights of St. Thomas
LAOH Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians
LDG Independent Order of Foresters
LGAR Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
LK of A Loyal Knights of America
LOL Loyal Order Orange Lodge (The Orange Order) (Orange Men)
L.O.M Loyal Order of Moose
LOOM Loyal Order of the MOOSE
LOVUS Legion of Valor of the United States
MAW Marine Air Wing
MBS Mutual Benefit Society
MCL Marine Corps League
MRA Royal Arcanum
M.W.A. Modern Woodmen of America
MOPH Military Order of the Purple Heart
2109:left:486">MOOSE Loyal Order of the Moose
MOSB Military Order of the Stars and Bars
MOVPER Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Mystic Realm (Grotto)
MOLLUS Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States
NL Navy League
NU National Union
N.O.W. Neighbors of Woodcraft
NCOA Non-Commissioned Officers Association (Military Society)
NEOP New England Order of Protection
NOK New Order Knights (KKK)
NSDAR National Society Daughters of American Revolution
NSSUP National Society Sons of Utah Pioneers
O of A Order of Amaranth (Masonic)
O of UF Order of United Friends
OCF Order of Chosen Friends
OCR Order of Confederate Rose
OES Order of the Eastern Star
OGC Order of the Golden Cross
OSC Order of Scottish Clans (St. Andrew's Societies)
ODHS Des Schwestern Verbandes Sisters of the Federation
OUAM Order of United American Mechanics
PF of A Patriotic Friends of America
PH The Order of, Patrons of Husbandry (The Grange)
PM Patriarchs Militant (Independent Order of Odd Fellows)
PBA Police Benevolent Association
POW / P.O.W. Prisoner of War
RA Royal Academy
RA Royal Arcanum
RK Roman Knights
R.A.M. Royal Arch Masons
R.N.A. Royal Neighbors of America
RIP Requiescat in pace, Latin for REST IN PEACE
ROJ Royal Order of Jesters (Masonic)
RMOKHSJ The Religious and Military Order of Knights of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem
RO-AUM Rosicrucian Order (Masonic)
RSGF Royal Society of Good Fellows
RSM Royal and Select Masons
RSTV Rite of St. Vaclara
RSTV Rite of ST. Vita
RTT Royal Templars of Temperance
S of E Sons of England
S of St.G Sons of St. George
SR Scottish Rite (Masonic)
ST Sons of Temperance
SV Sons of Veterans of the United States of America
S.A.L. Sons of the American Legion
SAR Sisters of the American Revolution
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SBL Society B. Lafayette
SCV Sons of the Confederate Veterans
SUV / SUVCW Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
S.A.W.V. Spanish American War Veteran
SBCL Saint Bonifazius Catholic Union
S.F.W.C. Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle
SMAA Scandinavian Mutual Aid Association
SNA-AUM Shrine of North America (Masonic)
S.S.M.A. Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Association
TCL Tall Ceders of Lebanon (Masonic)
TH Temple of Honor and Temperance-
IOOF Independent Order of Odd Fellows
TH Temple of Honor-Independent
TPLF Temple of Honor and Temperance,
TROA The Retired Officer's Association
UR The Uniform Ranks designation
UCV United Confederate Veterans
UDC United Daughters of the Confederacy
UFL Union Fraternal League

U.S.A. United States Army
U.S.N. United States Navy
U.S.A.F. United States Air Force
U.S.C.G. United States Coast Guard
U.S.M.C. United States Marine Corp
UAOD United Ancient Order of Druids
UOPF United Order of Pilgrim Fathers
VFW Veteran's of Foreign Wars
W.C. Woodmen Circle
W.O.W. Woodmen of the World
W.O.W. Women of Woodcraft
WKSC White Knights of the Southern Cross (KKK)
YMCA Young Men's Christian Association
YWCA Young Women's Christian Association

Military markers

BTN Battalion  DIV Division  ART Artillery  INF Infantry  CAV Cavalry

Rank

PVT Private  CPL Corporal  SGT Sergeant  WO Warrant officer  LT JG Lieutenant Junior Grade
LT Lieutenant  COM Commander  CAPT Captain  COL Colonel  MAJ Major  ADM Admiral  GEN General