



# HONORING SACRIFICE WITH A DIGNIFIED FAREWELL



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The regal Percheron horse carries himself with decorum as he methodically plods up the small road between rows of headstones. His harness polished, the horse carefully pulls a beautiful, old-fashioned carriage hearse as a woman, dressed in a black mourning coat, leads him to a graveside.

With ceremony and respect, the coffin in the hearse is lifted out and carried to the grave. Family and friends follow. Another person is laid to rest with dignity and honor.