The survivor benefit for a variable benefit pensioner, is the balance remaining in the Variable Benefit Account at the end of the month in which the pensioner died, plus nominal interest to date of payment.

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if you are the original member and had a spouse (see definition) when you commenced variable benefit payments,

entitled to your survivor benefit, unless they completed and filed a spousal waiver (prescribed FORM 4) with the Pension Office before your first payment.

In all other cases, the beneficiary is automatically your estate unless you have designated another beneficiary on this form.

Persons are spouses for the purposes of this Act on any date on which one of the following applies:

- (a) they
 - (i) are married to each other, and
 - (ii) have not been living separate and apart from each other for a continuous period longer than 2 years;
- (b) they