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Sec. 3309.451. Upon the death of a member prior to disability or service retirement, the surviving spouse or dependents of the deceased members MEMBER shall have the right to purchase any service credit which the member, had he not died, would have been eligible to purchase pursuant to sections 3309.021, 3309.26, 3309.31, and 3309.351, AND 3309.47 of the Revised Code upon the same terms and conditions which the deceased member could have purchased such service credit had he not died. Any service credit purchased under this section shall be applied under the provisions of Chapter 2209. of the Revised Code THIS CHAP-TER in the same manner as it would have been applied had it been purchased by the deceased member during his lifetime.

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