

Need another word that means the same as “vigil”? Find 15 synonyms and 30 related words for “vigil” in this overview.

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**The synonyms of “Vigil” are: watch, vigilance, close watch, monitoring, policing, surveillance, sentry duty, burial, burying, interment, entombment, committal, inhumation, laying to rest, consignment to the grave**

## Vigil as a Noun

### Definitions of "Vigil" as a noun

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “vigil” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *A period of sleeplessness.*
- *(in the Christian Church) the eve of a festival or holy day as an occasion of religious observance.*
- *A purposeful surveillance to guard or observe.*
- *The rite of staying awake for devotional purposes (especially on the eve of a religious festival).*
- *Nocturnal devotions.*
- *A period of keeping awake during the time usually spent asleep, especially to keep watch or pray.*
- *A stationary, peaceful demonstration in support of a particular cause, typically without speeches.*



## Synonyms of "Vigil" as a noun (15 Words)

<b>burial</b>	The action or practice of burying a dead body. <i><b>Burial</b> mounds.</i>
<b>burying</b>	Concealing something under the ground.
<b>close watch</b>	The temporal end; the concluding time.
<b>committal</b>	The burial of a dead body. <i>His <b>committal</b> to prison.</i>
<b>consignment to the grave</b>	The delivery of goods for sale or disposal.
<b>entombment</b>	The ritual placing of a corpse in a grave. <i>The <b>entombment</b> of Christ.</i>
<b>inhumation</b>	A burial or buried corpse. <i>Cremation took over from <b>inhumation</b> as the dominant burial rite.</i>

<b>interment</b>	The burial of a corpse in a grave or tomb, typically with funeral rites. <i>The day of <b>interment</b>.</i>
<b>laying to rest</b>	The production of eggs (especially in birds).
<b>monitoring</b>	An ironclad vessel built by Federal forces to do battle with the Merrimac. <i>The <b>monitoring</b> of enemy communications plays an important role in war times.</i>
<b>policing</b>	The enforcement of regulations or an agreement. <i>A ten point plan to improve <b>policing</b>.</i>
<b>sentry duty</b>	A person employed to keep watch for some anticipated event.
<b>surveillance</b>	Close observation of a person or group (usually by the police). <i>He found himself put under <b>surveillance</b> by British military intelligence.</i>
<u><b>vigilance</b></u>	Vigilant attentiveness. <i>Security duties that demand long hours of <b>vigilance</b>.</i>
<u><b>watch</b></u>	The officers and crew on duty during a watch. <i>Murray took the last <b>watch</b> before dawn.</i>



## Usage Examples of "Vigil" as a noun

- *The group held a candlelight vigil outside the jail.*
- *My birdwatching vigils lasted for hours.*
- *As he lay in a coma the family kept vigil.*





## Associations of "Vigil" (30 Words)

- appeal** A shout of 'How's that?' or a similar call by a bowler or fielder to an umpire to declare a batsman out.  
*I **appealed** to the law of 1900.*
- beg** Acquire food or money from someone by begging.  
*She **begged** me to say nothing to her father.*
- beseech** Ask (someone) urgently and fervently to do something; implore; entreat.  
*They earnestly **beseched** his forgiveness.*
- cadge** A padded wooden frame on which hooded hawks are carried to the field.  
*He **cadged** fivers off old school friends.*
- carefulness** The quality of being careful and painstaking.  
*I admired the **carefulness** of his work.*
- conjure** Engage in plotting or enter into a conspiracy, swear together.  
*She had forgotten how to **conjure** up the image of her mother's face.*

<b>dermatology</b>	The branch of medicine concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of skin disorders.
<b><u>entreat</u></b>	Ask someone earnestly or anxiously to do something. <i>The King I fear hath ill <b>entreated</b> her.</i>
<b>entreaty</b>	An earnest or humble request. <i>An <b>entreaty</b> to stop the fighting.</i>
<b>implore</b>	Call upon in supplication; entreat. <i>I <b>implore</b> mercy.</i>
<b>invocation</b>	The act of appealing for help. <i>His <b>invocation</b> of the ancient powers of Callanish.</i>
<b>nursing</b>	The profession or practice of providing care for the sick and infirm. <i>A <b>nursing</b> sister.</i>
<b>ophthalmology</b>	The branch of medicine concerned with the study and treatment of disorders and diseases of the eye.
<b>optometry</b>	The practice of an optometrist.
<b>pantheon</b>	A monument commemorating a nation's dead heroes. <i>The deities of the Hindu <b>pantheon</b>.</i>
<b><u>petition</u></b>	Write a petition for something to somebody request formally and in writing. <i>A Highland chief <b>petitioned</b> her father for her hand in marriage.</i>
<b><u>plea</u></b>	A defendant's answer by a factual matter (as distinguished from a demurrer). <i>He made a dramatic <b>plea</b> for disarmament.</i>
<b><u>plead</u></b>	Make an allegation in an action or other legal proceeding especially answer the previous pleading of the other party by denying facts therein stated or by alleging new facts. <i>She was <b>pleading</b> insanity.</i>
<b>podiatry</b>	The treatment of the feet and their ailments; chiropody.
<b>polytheism</b>	Belief in multiple Gods. <i>The <b>polytheism</b> of the ancient Near East.</i>
<b><u>pray</u></b>	Address a deity a prophet a saint or an object of worship say a prayer. <i>And what <b>pray</b> was the purpose of that.</i>
<b><u>prayer</u></b>	Someone who prays to God. <i>It is our <b>prayer</b> that the current progress on human rights will be sustained.</i>

<b><u>protector</u></b>	The title of the head of state in England during the later period of the Commonwealth between 1653 and 1659, first Oliver Cromwell (1653-8), then his son Richard (1658-9). <i>A man who became her <b>protector</b> adviser and friend.</i>
<b>psychiatric</b>	Relating to or used in or engaged in the practice of psychiatry. <i><b>Psychiatric</b> hospital.</i>
<b><u>solicitation</u></b>	Request for a sum of money. <i>A <b>solicitation</b> to the king for relief.</i>
<b>suppliant</b>	Humbly entreating. <i>A <b>suppliant</b> for her favors.</i>
<b>supplicant</b>	Making or expressing a plea, especially to someone in power or authority. <i>We are equals and not <b>supplicants</b> begging for work.</i>
<b>supplicate</b>	Ask for humbly or earnestly, as in prayer. <i><b>Supplicate</b> God s blessing.</i>
<b>supplication</b>	The act of communicating with a deity (especially as a petition or in adoration or contrition or thanksgiving). <i>He fell to his knees in <b>supplication</b>.</i>
<b><u>watch</u></b>	The officers and crew on duty during a watch. <i>Sea air lots of exercise and four hour <b>watches</b> give everyone a healthy appetite.</i>



