

## We the Auxiliary: Can Be An Advocate, Be Informed, Be Engaged

### Veterans of Foreign Wars POW/MIA GOALS



The VFW will not rest until we achieve the fullest possible accounting of all missing American military service members from all wars.

The VFW encourages the U.S. government to continue its missing personnel accounting efforts, and is directly engaged with former enemy nations urging their fullest cooperation and assistance in obtaining information about American POWs/MIAs. VFW national officers make periodic

trips to Pacific, Asian and European countries where they meet with senior host country officials to stress the importance of conducting investigation and recovery operations, as well as gaining access to documents and archival research facilities.

#### VFW's Stance on POW/MIA Issues

1. Never quit on achieving the fullest possible accounting of all American POWs/MIAs from all wars.
2. Urge Congress to fully fund the requested amounts for the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency and all supporting agencies involved in the Full Accounting Mission.
3. Encourage POW/MIA public awareness projects and events.
4. Support POW/MIA Recognition Day.
5. Encourage the flying of the POW/MIA flag on all local, state and

6. Immediately drape all transfer cases containing recovered remains of military members with the U.S. flag upon departure from foreign soil.
7. Solicit and provide information to assist the government of Vietnam in accounting for their own missing-in-action during the war with the U.S.
8. Keep the U.S.-Russia Joint Commission on POW/MIAs intact in mission, personnel and funding.

NEV [POWMIA-Awareness-Brochure.pdf \(vfworg-cdn.azureedge.net\)](https://www.vfw.org-cdn.azureedge.net/POWMIA-Awareness-Brochure.pdf)

## NEVER FORGOTTEN ACCOUNTED FOR OCTOBER 2022 - SEPTEMBER 2023

WORLD WAR II			
<b>ARMY</b>	Staff Sgt. Alvin Scarborough Pvt. Carl Minter Pvt. Earl Satterly 1st Lt. Tom Harrison 2nd Lt. Gene Walker Sgt. George Hancock Sgt. Gregory Knoll Staff Sgt. Harold Schaler Pfc. Harry Wade Pfc. Henry Wilson Pfc. Head Cole Pfc. James McCartney Sgt. John Merrington Sgt. John Radovich Cpl. Julius Wolfe Staff Sgt. Leroy Dattloff Pvt. Lee Kilgus Pfc. Manuel Trujillo Pfc. Nelson Kasper Staff Sgt. Andrew McKeon Staff Sgt. Max Thurston Pfc. Noah Neave Pfc. Raymond J. Schlamp Pfc. Richard Robinson Pvt. Robert Hurst Staff Sgt. Robert Rudd Pfc. Thomas Long Pfc. William Smith Pfc. William Simon Staff Sgt. Woodrow Gerdessee	Sgt. Irving Newman Staff Sgt. Jack Coy Staff Sgt. Jackson Barbour Cpl. Charles 2nd Lt. James Marsh 1st Lt. James Garland 1st Lt. James George Tech. Sgt. James Triplett Staff Sgt. John Hoke Tech. Sgt. Keith McKeman Tech. Sgt. Lawrence Reitz 2nd Lt. Noel Sander Tech. Sgt. Paul Estelman 2nd Lt. Peter J. J. J. Staff Sgt. Raymond Kaudelky 1st Lt. Robert Easten Staff Sgt. Robert Ferris Tech. Sgt. Robert Allen Staff Sgt. Robert Elliott 1st Lt. Theodore Whitman 1st Lt. Walter Johnson 2nd Lt. Walter Miklosh Sgt. Willie Jones II Staff Sgt. William Leuchering 1st Lt. William Montgomery Staff Sgt. Willie Jones	Master Sgt. David Sluder Cpl. Dewey Reavis Cpl. Donald Dupont Cpl. Erik Cox Cpl. Ernesto Ortiz Cpl. Gordon McGrath Sgt. Howard Malcolm Sgt. 1st Class James Dorrance Pfc. Jan-Clare James Wilkinson Pfc. James Smith Cpl. John Spruell Sgt. Lawrence Robidoux Cpl. Lester Story Cpl. Lew Hill Cpl. Ray Lilly Cpl. Rex Powell Pfc. Richard Sharrow Pfc. Robert Wright Master Sgt. Roy Barrow Sgt. Stanley Lutz Cpl. William Herrington Sgt. Willie Bay
<b>VIETNAM WAR</b>			
<b>ARMY</b>	Staff Sgt. Robert Gerdessee	Cpl. Warrant Officer 3 Larry Zich	
<b>Air Force</b>		Cpl. Ernest DeSio Capt. Frederick Hall	
<b>Marine Corps</b>	Sgt. Harold Hammett 1st Lt. Harold Weaver Pfc. John Reynolds Cpl. Manuel Jimenez Sgt. Robert Moon Cpl. Robert Chesek Cpl. Thomas Phillips Cpl. Walter Vaughan	Marine Corps Cpl. Ralph Chipman	
<b>NAVY</b>	Aviation Ordnanceman 1st Class Anthony Dipetta Gunners Mate 3rd Class Arnold Lynn Aviation Radiomen 1st Class Wilbur Mitts		
<b>KOREAN WAR</b>			
<b>ARMY</b>	Sgt. Adin Norris Pfc. Albert Gosnell Pfc. Alan Dutton Pfc. Anthony Lopez Pfc. Billy Decker Cpl. Cameron Drilling Cpl. Charles Robson Sgt. Desenciano Garcia Dale Cpl. Daniel Deanda		

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Picture obtained from this website:  
[Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency](https://www.defense.gov/POW/MIA/AccountingAgency)

## Legislative priority goal

### National Security, Foreign Affairs, POW/MIA



To fully support the all-volunteer force, protect our nation's citizens, and defend American interests around the world, Congress and DOD must:

- Ensure DPAA is fully funded to perform its personnel recovery mission.
- Expand partnerships with host nations and private/public organizations to achieve the fullest possible accounting of U.S. military personnel missing from all wars.
- Deter threats to our national security by supporting our allies in Ukraine, Israel, Korea, and Taiwan.
- Ensure all service members who served in harm's way, to include foreign nationals, receive the recognition, care, and benefits they have earned.
- Provide recognition and support for Afghan and Iraqi translators and allies.
- Award the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for operations in Eastern Europe.

## Are you having a Freedom Festival?

Create legislative games, have a skit, design an age appropriate coloring or activity book. Have a table set up to sign people up for Action Corps. Teach priority goals and hand out the Action Corps brochure to your guest. [PriorityGoalsBrochure.pdf \(vfworg-cdn.azureedge.net\)](https://www.vfw.org-cdn.azureedge.net/PriorityGoalsBrochure.pdf)

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