

MIAP INTRODUCTION

You served your country through a war, or through peacetime. You expected to receive a military burial, recognition by our government of your commitment to our great country. You expected to have honor and respect paid to you as a result of your service to our great country. Instead, you reside on a shelf in a mortuary or a storage facility at a crematorium.

The purpose of the MIA Project is to locate, identify and inter the unclaimed cremated remains of American veterans through the joint efforts of private, state and federal organizations. To provide honor and respect to those who have served this country by securing a final resting place for these forgotten heroes.

The MIA Project will be a long-term project, but not a time sensitive project.

To Date the MIAP has accomplished the following:

Total Funeral Homes Visited - 1,245

Cremains Found - 6,080

Veterans Cremains Identified -1,571

Veterans Interred - 1,473

We need your help in getting the word out to funeral homes, State Facilities. Assistance in visiting and inventorying unclaimed persons to enter into databases and let other volunteers work to identify those that are veterans and their dependents.

After verification we need to ensure that the veteran has a proper Memorial Service with full Military Honors.

MIAP always inters our veterans or dependents at the nearest VA National or State Cemetery. We utilize these facilities as there is a procedure to reunite them with their family if found at a later date.

The Missing in America Project steps forward to accept responsibility for those veterans that have no “**Next of Kin**” that can be located. We accept that responsibility in order to let our veterans rest with their peers in a beautiful cemetery in the open and not in backrooms and storage units. We carry complete liability coverage nationwide and in some states have the capability to conduct legal funeral escorts to ensure a smooth orderly flow of traffic and safety to everyone involved.

The Missing in America Project welcomes all other veterans and public organizations to join with us to complete this enormous task. We need your help and welcome you.

Thank you,