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After Action Report  
Interment of T-5 Carlos Perez, US Army  
Calverton National Cemetery  
13:30 Hours 08 February 2018

February's chill was tamed by the warm hearts of the 21 patriots attending the interment of World War II veteran Carlos Perez this afternoon. The 92 year old member of our Greatest Generation was given full military honors for his honorable service in the United States Army between 1944 and 1946.

Suffolk County Chaplain Tom Bergin opened the ceremony with a heartfelt Invocation. A sobering rendition of Taps by bugler Bob Slingo followed. As his notes completed, the Army Honor Guard folded and presented Veteran Perez's casket flag to Jose Bau of American Legion Post 269 in Patchogue, NY, for his service to his community. I offered a eulogy for Veteran Perez and included the poem "We Will Find You", dedicated our many Veterans still Missing in America that have yet to be found. Chaplain Bergin added some commentary and closed our ceremony by offering his Benediction. As we approached Veteran Perez's casket to pay our final respects, a sense of closure could be felt, for once again, one of our own was respectfully laid to rest.

It should be noted that our entourage missed the presence of Frank Ostroff at today's ceremony. Frank was a Navy veteran, member of Greenlawn's American Legion Post 1244, regular attendee at our MIAP interments and good friend. Frank passed away just one week ago.

Respectfully submitted,  
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