



# Missing In America Project

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## After Action Report Tahoma National Cemetery 4/20/2023

At 1315 hours on November 19, 2023, Washington State MIAP conducted a service for 29 veterans, 9 spouses and 1 child. Seven veterans served in WWI, eleven in WWII, two in Korea and five in Vietnam. They served in the Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard. The earliest service member was a Navy Fireman who served from 1879-1885. He passed in 1941. There was also a spouse of a sailor who served from 1925-1928. There were three married couples. Two spouses joined their veteran husbands who were already placed at the cemetery.

The cremains were recovered from funeral homes, a cemetery and two Coroners in seven different cities in Western Washington. A WWII veteran and his wife were recovered by a conscientious employee of a commercial disposal company and given to a MIAP volunteer. A Vietnam veteran's cremains were received from the caretaker of his NOK.

There was a short welcome/introduction by an MIAP volunteer. An AL Chaplain said a prayer. As each name was read aloud a bell was rung.

Military Honors were rendered by the American Legion Post 15 from Kent, WA, and the Washington Army National Guard from Camp Murray, WA.

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Respectfully submitted,

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