

## Missing In America Project Veteran Recovery Program

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## Fort Smith National Cemetery Fort Smith Arkansas Friday March 4<sup>th,</sup> 2022

Missing in America Project along with SADA Arkansas and Edwards Funeral Home laid to rest 5 unclaimed Veterans and 1 spouse at the Fort Smith National Cemetery in Fort Smith Arkansas at 11 am on 3/4/2022.

The Program was overseen by Gina Gustafson Arkansas State Coordinator. Pastor Ronnie Deal provided Chaplin duties at the cemetery. Guest Speakers included Marshall Murphy Director of Fort Smith National, Jarred Rego, Vice Mayor of Fort Smith, and Richard McKinney retired Airforce MSGT. The North Side High School ROTC presented and retired the colors, USMC honor guard provide taps, The Fort Smith Fire Dept rang the bell. Sabastian County Sheriff Hobe Runion and Army SSGT Benivedes folded the flag and presented it to USMC veteran John Wilson.

Tery Graves played the bagpipes.

The Total program went off with no problems and was well attended.

SADA Escort team provided the escort along with many other rider groups and traffic control

The Combat Veterans were the pallbearers.

Respectfully submitted, Gina "Seeker" Gustafson Arkansas State Coordinator.