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After Action Report Tahoma National Cemetery Kent, Washington

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On May 13, 2026, the Washington State MIAP Team conducted a service for 20 WWI Soldiers, four of their spouses and ten unaccompanied spouses.

Their cremains were identified and recovered with the cooperation and assistance of Dignity Memorial's Evergreen Washelli Funeral Home and Cemetery, Scott Sheehan, General Manager.

Roll call was conducted by MIAP volunteers Mike Morrissey and Mare Saunders. As each veteran's urn was transported from the hearse, a bell was rung. The four veterans' spouses were carried forward with them. The unaccompanied spouses were placed in their niches just prior to the service. During the service, flowers were carried forward for each of them as their name was read and the bell was rung.

Funeral honors were conducted by the Washington Army National Guard, Camp Murray, and the Eastside Veterans Honor Guard. Art Farash is the team leader. Chaplain Jack Prindle did the invocation, benediction and read a poem during the folding of the flag. Bugler David Dittmore played taps.

The flag was presented to Mr. Russell Slouffman, US Army, retired. He is the Lead Cemetery Administrative Specialist at Tahoma National Cemetery.

MIAP was supported by the PGR and DAR. The Tahoma National Cemetery staff placed the urns in their final resting place by day's end.

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