

MIA Totals: WWI (3,344), WWII (72,674), Korean (7,631), Cold War (126), Vietnam (1,594), OEF, OIF (5)
Indiana WWII (1,502), Korean (172), Vietnam (51)

INCOMING!



December 2021 Newsletter

ROLLING THUNDER®, INC.

Indiana Chapter #1
“POW-MIA – You are not Forgotten”

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Chapter Officers

President: Michael Clark

Secretary: Jessica Clark

Vice President: David Craig

Treasurer: Terry “Flash” Sanderson



President News

I hope everyone is doing well and in good health. Page 2 of the newsletter list our December birthday members. I wish all of you a happy birthday and hope you have many more.

On Saturday December 4th, the Chapter hosted a BINGO game with the Veterans at the Indiana Veterans Home in Lafayette. We had 31 Veterans that played BINGO with us and we had a great time. We played 2 regular games with a \$5.00 pay out per winter up to 10 winner. The last regular game was increased to \$10.00 per winner with a maximum of 10 winner. The Cover the Card game had a \$50.00 pay out with a maximum of 4 winner. After the BINGO game, we distributed \$30.00 and gift bags to each Veteran that came to play BINGO. The Veterans and Chapter members had a great time and looking forward to next year.

On December 5th, we had our Chapter Christmas party at the American Legion Post 34 and had a great time. The Christmas party committee did an outstanding job coordinating the party with entertainment, food, games, and prizes. Many thanks goes to the American Legion Post 34 for hosting the party. They provided a great facility and service to the Chapter. See page 4 and 5 for pictures taken during the party.

Year 2021 is coming to and end with our last Chapter meeting on Sunday December 19th. Due to COVID, we haven't been able to do much at our December Chapter meetings for the last couple years. This year we are planning on including the Flame of Freedom and Missing Man Table ceremonies as part of the Chapter meeting. The Flame of Freedom will be carried by Cindy Tucker, the niece of Korean War MIA MSG McNally. The Missing Man Table ceremony will be performed by the Chapter Honor Guard Team. Please plan on bringing your family members and friends to the December Chapter meeting.

January 2022 starts a new calendar of Chapter events. The event calendar is a working document and could change daily. We have an event planning committee meeting on the first Wednesday of each month to discuss event for the upcoming month and future events. All Chapter members are welcome to attend the event planning meetings.

Membership Dues: Please remember that membership dues are due in January to remain a member in good standing. The deadline to have our membership dues into National is February 2022. Please pay you membership dues today.

The next Chapter meeting is Sunday December 19, 2021

December 2021 Birthday's



Gene Byers 12-8

Norman Crawford 12-3

Carol McFarland 12-25

Darryle Swartzlander 12-23

Happy Birthday to all

Chapter Meeting
Sunday November 21, 2021
New Member

Deborah Bailey - At the November Chapter meeting, the wife of Bill Bailey joined the Chapter and is now a member of the Class of 2022.

The Chapter has been blessed with the addition of 10 new members to the Class of 2022. The Chapter appreciates your membership and hope that you will enjoy your time with the Chapter. Welcome to the Class of 2022.



Class of 2022

Katherina Bean

Francis Bean

Bill Bailey

Ruby Brooks

Johnny Sons

Darryle Swartzlander

Josh Cole

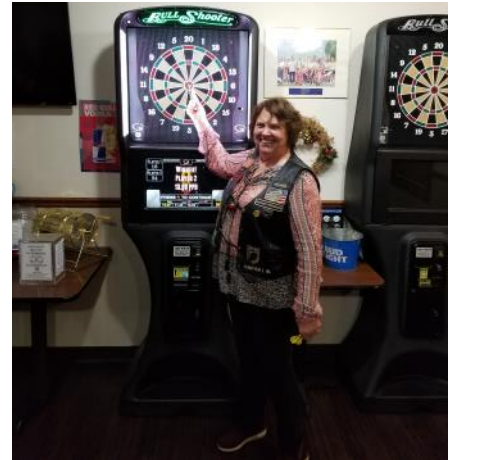
Mark Parks

Keith Sielen

Deborah Bailey

Chapter Christmas Party

Saturday December 5th, 2021

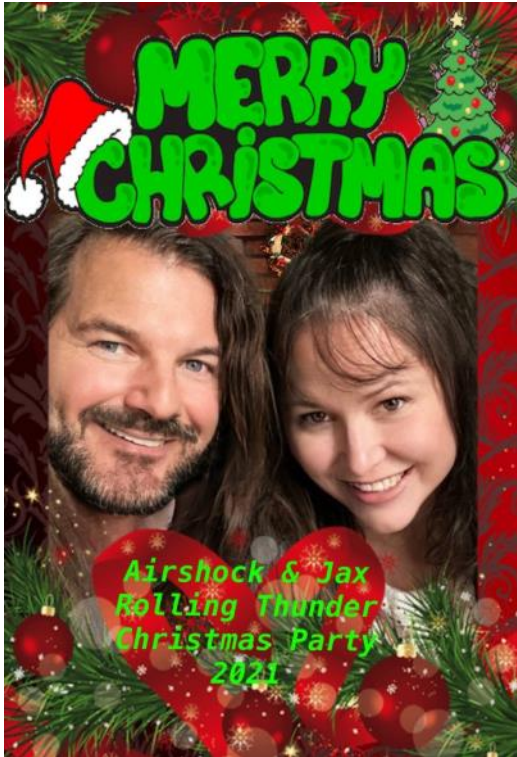


We had some great music at the party. Barbara shows her darts skill with a Bulls eye to win the game.

Chapter Christmas Party
Saturday December 5th, 2021

The Griffith family dresses up for the Christmas Party

Merry Christmas to all



Wreaths Across America

Crown Hill Cemetery

December 18, 2021

The Wreath Across America program will be at the Crown Hill Cemetery on Saturday December 18th. The Chapter will lay the ceremonial wreath in honor of our Prisoners of War (POW) and those that still remain Missing in Action (MIA). Chapter members need to report to the National Cemetery at 10:30 with the program starting at 11:00. After the ceremony, wreaths will be laid at the National cemetery and the Field of Valor.



If you are not able to make the Crown Hill ceremony, please visit your local Veteran Cemetery on December 18th to help lay wreaths to honor our Veterans.



Disable American Veterans (DAV) POW*MIA Chair of Honor Dedication December 22, 2021

The DAV POW*MIA Chair of Honor is currently scheduled to be dedicated on Wednesday December 22nd at the DAV headquarters in Greenwood Indiana. The DAV POW*MIA Chair of Honor will be the thirteenth POW*MIA Chair of Honor that the Chapter has dedicated.

The dedication ceremony is scheduled to start at 10:00am at the DAV headquarters located at 170 Airport PKWY Greenwood, IN 46143. Members should plan on arriving no later than 09:45am.

Special thanks goes to Jim McInitire for donating the Chair, David Wooldridge for refinishing the Chair, Smittys Indy Marine for reupholstering the Chair, Embroidery Plus for the POW/MIA Logo, Majestic Stone Imports for donating the Granite, and Dick Harrington for building the platform.

We also thank Donald Peeks and Kevin Coley for allowing this special chair to be located in their facility.



Chapter 2022 Calendar of Events

Listed on Page 8 and 9 is the list of Chapter events for 2022. The calendar is a working document and subject to change daily as events come up. The Board/Chapter meeting dates will not change unless notified by the Chairman of the Board or Chapter President.

The events in **RED** are events that the Chapter planning committee are responsible for planning and executing. The event calendar will be updated on the Chapter website and can be reviewed at <http://www.indianarollingthunder.com/events.html>.

Please notify one of the Executive or Board members if you have an event that you would like to see on the calendar.

January 1	News Year Day Brunch at MCL
January 5	Chapter Event Planning Meeting
January 8	Chapter Budget Meeting (Board Members Only)
January 10	Indiana Military Veterans Legislative Day (State House)
January 16	Board/Chapter Meeting
February 2	Chapter Event Planning Committee
February 20	Board/Chapter Meeting
March 2	Chapter Event Planning Committee
March 20	Board/Chapter Meeting
March 29	Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day
April 6	Chapter Event Planning Committee.
April 9	National Former POW Recognition Day
April 17	Board/Chapter Meeting
April 24	Support the Troops, Kokomo Indiana
May 4	Chapter Event Planning Committee
May 15	Board/Chapter Meeting
May 29	Rolling Thunder XXXIII National Ride for Freedom
May 30	Crown Hill Cemetery Memorial Service and Roll Call Ceremony
June 1	Chapter Event Planning Committee
June 12	Board/Chapter Meeting
June 17-19	Illinois Motorcycle Freedom Run (Middle East Conflicts Wall)
July 6	Chapter Event Planning Committee
July 9	Russ Dellen Memorial Ride
July 16	Veterans Memorial Ride, Madison Indiana
July 17	Board/Chapter Meeting
August 3	Chapter Event Planning Committee
August 13	Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day
August 14	Board/Chapter Meeting
August 27	Motorcycles on Meridian
August 28	Veterans Center Support Ride

Chapter 2022 Calendar of Events (Continued)

September 7	Event Planning Committee
September 11	9/11 Ride and Ceremony
September 15-17	Vietnam Veterans Reunion, Kokomo, IN
September 16	POW/MIA Ride to Remember/Recognition Day Ceremony
September 18	Board/Chapter Meeting and Elections
September 21	Saluting Branches at Indiana Veterans Home
October 6	Chapter Event Planning Committee
October 16	Board/Chapter Meeting
November 2	Chapter Event Planning Committee
November 3-6	Rolling Thunder National Conference
November 11	Veterans Day Parade
November 20	Board/Chapter Meeting
December 7	Chapter Event Planning Committee
December 6	Annual Project Blue Light Ceremony
December 3	Indiana Veterans Home Visit (BINGO)
December 17	Wreath Across America (Local Cemetery Sites)
December 18	Board/Chapter Meeting

Pending Events	
TBD	National Prisoner of War Museum, Andersonville, GA
TBD	Flight 93 Trip, Shanksville PA
TBD	Linda Cope Memorial Ride to the Wall, Washington DC
TBD	Ride to the Wall, Perryville MO
TBD	Purdue University POW*MIA Chair of Honor Dedication
TBD	Jefferson Barracks Civil War museum, Saint Louis, MO
TBD	Fort Wayne Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum

The planning committee had their first meeting on Wednesday December 8th to discuss the calendar of events. The Motorcycle Expo (February 18-20) and the World of Wheels (March 25-27) were discussed as possible events to add to the calendar. These are good events to meet the public and pass out information about Rolling Thunder®. Unfortunately, the expense to have a table at these events have become expensive for the Chapter.

The other two events that were discussed was the Linda Cope Memorial Ride to the Wall and the National Prisoner of War Museum. These two events were the top two pending events chosen by the membership in 2021. Unfortunately, due to COVID concerns there were too many travel restrictions and the facilities were not available in 2021.

2022 Membership Dues

In accordance with the National constitution, the membership dues are required to be paid to National by February to remain a member in good standing. Effective November 2021, the membership dues were increased by National from \$30.00 to \$40.00, with \$30.00 going to National and \$10.00 staying with the Chapter.

Membership is important to keep the Chapter going so we can continue on with our important POW/MIA mission and helping our Indiana Veterans. Without members in good standing, the Chapter would not be able to do our important missions.

Please help the Chapter remain successful and pay your membership dues as soon as possible, but no later than January 2022. **We do appreciate your membership.**



Membership dues can be paid at the Chapter meeting or by mailing your renewal form and check to the Chapter P.O Box listed below:

Rolling Thunder Indiana Chapter 1

P.O Box 26458

Indianapolis, IN 46226

Chapter Business Cards



The Quartermaster will be taking orders for Rolling Thunder business cards at the September meeting. Cost for 500 cards is \$15. If this is a first-time order and you are a member in good standing you will get a \$10 rebate when the order has been processed.

Order yours today

Rolling Thunder® , Inc. Indiana Chapter #1 Scholarship 2022

Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter #1 is giving back to the family members of our Service Members that have went off to battle and was captured, or still unaccounted for. The Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Indiana Chapter #1 Scholarship program is offering a **\$1,000** scholarship to a high school senior or student receiving the GED seeking a higher education at an accredited college, university, or trade school.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a resident of Indiana, and have a verifiable family relationship to a former Prisoner of War (**POW**) or an Missing in Action (**MIA**). The essay topic for 2022 is “**The History of United States Prisoner of War (POW) and Missing in Action (MIA)**”.

For details on this scholarship opportunity, go to www.indianarollingthunder.com.



Chapter Information Cards



Rolling Thunder® , Inc. Indiana Chapter #1

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Mission: To publicize the POW/MIA issue. To educate the public of the fact that many American prisoners of war were left behind after all past wars. To help correct the past and to protect the future veterans from being left behind should they become prisoners of war-missing in action. We are committed to helping American veterans from all wars.

Free to members. Pick up from the Quartermaster

New Members are Welcome

Anyone wishing to support the organization's mission is welcome to become a member. A member does **not** need to be a veteran, nor does the member need to be a motorcycle enthusiast. We are **not** a motorcycle club.

Meetings are generally the third Sunday of the month at the Fort Harrison Veterans Center located in Lawrence, IN.

Programs and events are well suited for the family and honor those that have served and are serving to protect our Constitution and the freedoms we so richly enjoy.

Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Membership Patches and Obligations

National Constitution

The Rolling Thunder® patches are items that members strive to obtain. The Boot patch represents the members Chapter, and the Rocker and Eagle represents Rolling Thunder® National. These patches should be worn proudly and with respect. When a member is issued these patches, they have an obligation to take care of them and turn them in if they decide to quit Rolling Thunder® for whatever reason. Below is an abstract from the National Constitution on the members obligations that they agree to when they receive these patches.



The Chapter Boot Patch. All members will receive a Rolling Thunder® Membership Boot patch when they become a full member at the end of a 120-day period. If a member meets his/her obligations before the 120 days are up they are entitled to receive their Boot patch no earlier than 90 days, provided they meet all other (loyalty and conduct) requirements. A new member must make 3 meetings or events, or a combination thereof, during the 120-day trial period to become a full member. **A \$50.00 patch deposit is required before National will issue the Boot Patch.**



The Rocker and Eagle Patches. After a member completes his/her first year (from the day they receive their boot patch) as a member in good standing, they will be issued the Eagle & Rocker patches, **which is the property of National.** **A \$100.00 patch deposit is required before National will issue the Rocker and Eagle Patches.**

Membership Obligations

Retrieve Patches: It is the Chapters responsibility to retrieve all patches. If a member does not renew dues in a reasonable time, thirty days from the end of February the Chapter President or his appointed representative will collect their patches. Any Chapter that does not retrieve the members patches will be held liable for their cost. Any problems from a delinquent member to collect our property, if needed have a lawyer send a letter and take them to court (quote the constitution) that a member will pay all court and lawyers fees. **The Chapter will pay National \$150.00 per set lost and members deposit will not be refunded.**

If you mail your patches to the Chapter, make sure you send the package CERTIFIED or PRIORITY mail for tracking purposes and insure the package for \$150.00.

POW/MIA Affairs Committee

2021 MIAs Accounted-For

DPAA 2021 Accounted for: 127

As of November 30, 2021

Accounted-For by War

WWII (112)

Korea (14)

Vietnam/Laos (1)

Accounted-For By Service

U.S Army (35)

U.S Army Air Forces (13)

U.S Marine Corps (5)

U.S Marine Corps Reserves (2)

U.S Navy (72)

U.S Navy Reserves (1)

U.S Air Force (0)

U.S Coast Guard (0)

Indiana Heroes that have been Identified

Name	DOL	Identified	Returned	County	HOR
F3C Alferd E. Livingston	12-7-1941	2-1-2007	7-21-2007	USS Oklahoma	Worthington
1st Class Paul A. Nash	12-7-1941	4-15-2015	6-30-2016	USS Oklahoma	Carlisle
3rd Class Francis L. Hannon	12-7-1941	10-24-2017		USS Oklahoma	Indianapolis
SEA1 Oris V. Brandt	12-7-1941	2-20-2019		USS Oklahoma	Kentland
PFC USMC Marley R. Arthurholtz	12-7-1941	9-18-2019	12-7-2019	USS Oklahoma	South Bend
CPO B. James Booe	12-7-1941	9-29-2020	6-1-2021	USS Oklahoma	Veedersburg
SEA1 Maurice V. Spangler	12-7-1941	3-27-2020		USS Oklahoma	Ft. Wayne
2nd Class Harold F. Trapp	12-7-1941	11-24-2020		USS Oklahoma	LaPorte
3Rd Class Willaim H. Trapp	12-7-1941	11-24-2020		USS Oklahoma	LaPorte
PVT USMC Fred Freet	11-20-1943	8-6-2018	4-18-2019	Tarawa Atoll	Marion

POW/MIA Affairs Committee

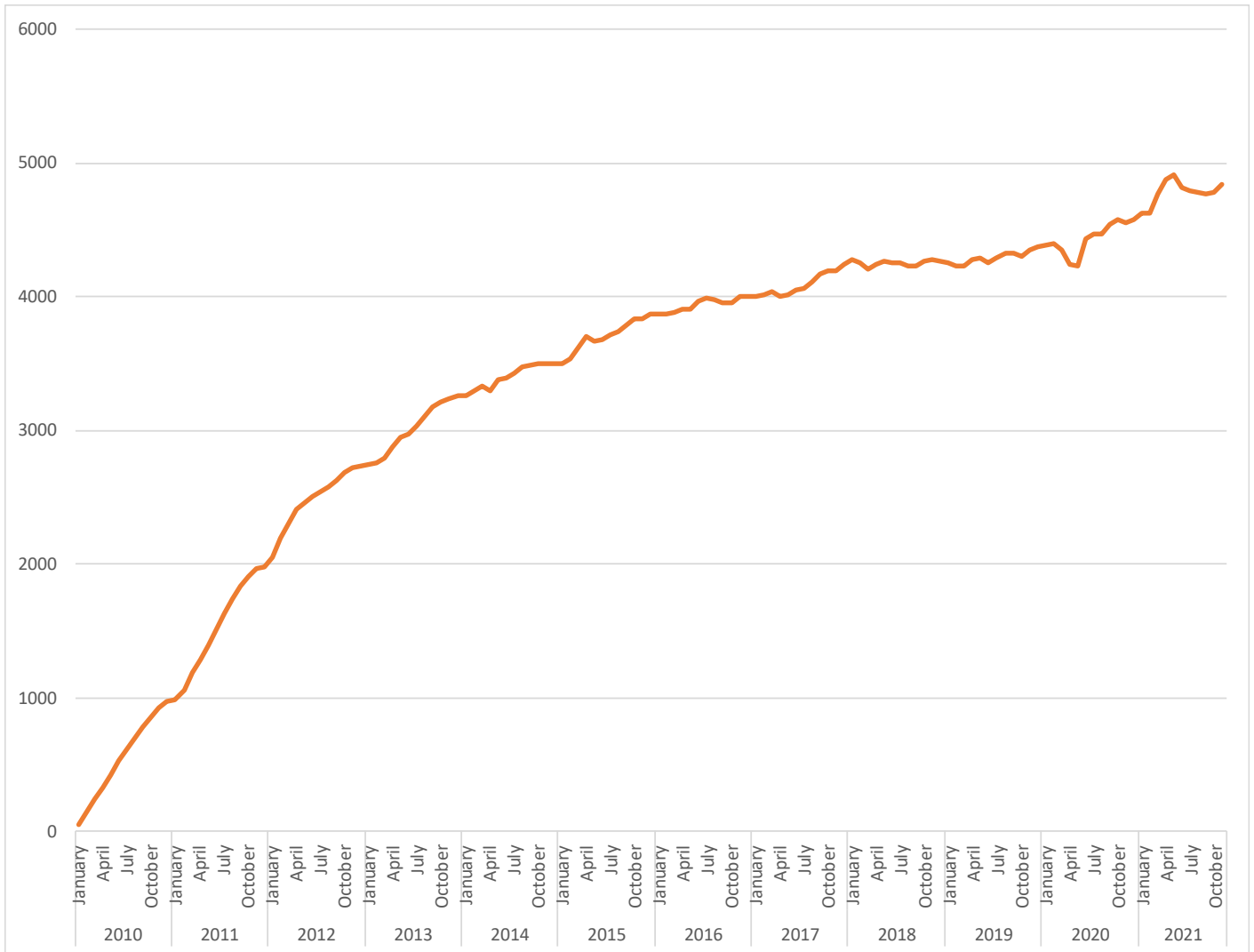
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Indiana Heroes that have been Identified

Name	DOL	Identified	Returned	County	HOR
PVT USMC William E. Ramboo	11-20-1943	7-13-2019		Betio Island	LaPorte
PFC USMC Louis Wiesshan	11-21-1943	9-23-2019	6-11-2020	Tarawa Atoll	Richmond
PFC USMC Charles D. Miller	11-22-1943	5-19-2020		Tarawa Atoll	Albany
1LT Robert L. McIntosh	5-12-1944	8-1-2015	8-13-2016	Italy	Tipton
TSGT Charles G. Ruble	9-17-1944	5-31-2019	3-2-202	Netherlands	Parker City
PFC Army Clifford M. Mills	9-18-1944	1-29-2019	3-30-2019	Germany	Troy
PFC Marvin E. Dickson	11-13-1944	9-27-2018	6-8-2019	Germany	Indianapolis
MSG Charles H. McDaniel	11-1-1950	9-12-2018	10-27-2018	Korea	Greenwood
SGT Stanley Lee Dewitt	11-1-1950	6-5-2020	10-19-2021	Chosen Reservoir	Royal City

Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plates

As of November 30, 2021



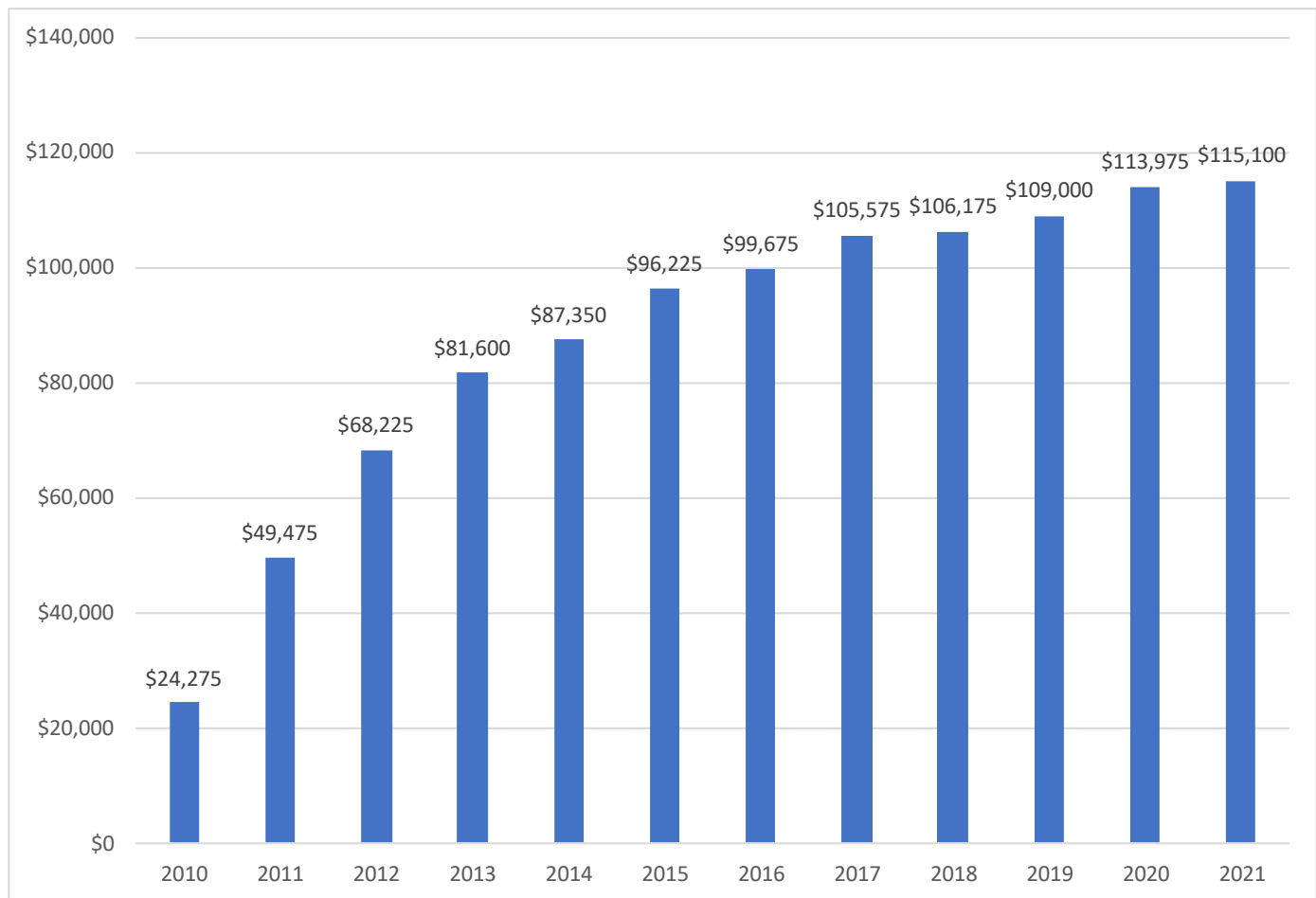
As of October 31, 2021 we have **4,840** POW/MIA specialty plates on the streets of Indiana helping to bring awareness to the public about our POWs, and MIAs. The funds generated from the sale of the POW/MIA Specialty plate goes towards helping our Indiana Veterans in need through the Indiana Military Family Relief Fund (MFRF).



Get your plate today and help a Veteran.

Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate Fund

From 2010 to 2021



Since the introduction of the Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate in January 2010, the plate has generated an estimated **\$1,056,650** 100% of the proceeds generated from the sales of the POW/MIA specialty plate goes to the Indiana Military Family Relief Fund (MFRF) to help our Indiana Veterans in need.

If you don't have a Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate on your vehicle, please let the Bureau Motor Vehicle (BMV) know that you would like to purchase a Rolling Thunder® sponsored POW/MIA specialty plate on your next renewal or new purchase.

With the purchase of a Indiana POW/MIA specialty plate, not only will you be instrumental in helping to bring awareness to the public about our POWs and MIAs, you will be helping our Indiana Veterans in need.

Please purchase your Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate Today.

POW/MIA Education Reading And Websites

Recommended Books

Title	Author
Leave No Man Behind	Bill Bell
Why Didn't You Get Me Out	Frank Aton
Kiss The Boys Goodbye	Monika Jensen-Stevenson & William Stevenson
Betrayed	Joseph D. Douglass, Jr
Still Waiting	Linda Cope
An Enormous Crime	Bill Hendon and Elizabeth A Stewart

Note: Books marked in RED are highly recommended reads.

Recommended Web Sites

Title	URL
Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA)	http://www.dpaa.mil/
Biographies on Prisoners of War and Missing in Action	http://www.pownetwork.org/bios.htm
Rolling Thunder National	http://www.rollingthunder1.com/
National League of POW/MIA Families	http://www.pow-miafamilies.org/
Rolling Thunder Indiana Chapter 1	http://www.indianarollingthunder.com/
Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve	http://esgr.mil/in
Veterans Support Council of Marion County	http://www.vscmc.com/
Veterans Events	http://www.veteranevents.org/
American Ex-Prisoners of War	http://www.axpow.org/default.htm

The Coachman Restaurant and Lounge



Larry Paynter is a proud Marine, Chapter Member, and along with his wife Becky, own and operate the Coachman Restaurant & Lounge in Plainfield, IN. The Coachman is famous for mouthwatering Prime Rib, Fresh cut steaks, large seafood selection, and the best Pork Tenderloin sandwich anywhere.

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Mr. Paynter with his wife
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Always remember our American POWs and MIAs





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This page is dedicated to our brothers and sisters hat have gone on to ride the heavens

NEVER FORGET

Tookolo, Allen, Member, November 2002	Booth, Frank, Member, 2004
Walker, Bruce, Member, October 2004	Parish, Bruce “Buz”, Past President, Sept 2008
Brinkley, Jon Past President, January 2009	Leck, Lou, Member, September 2009
Hall, Bruce, Member, March 2010	Gigle, Gene, Member, August 2011
Jolly, Ron Past Vice President, December 2011	Kaler, Steve, Past President, June 2012
Wilson, John, US Army WWII POW, July 2012	Loffredo, Nicholas, Member, August 2012
Freeman, James, Past Board, August 2012	Fulmer, Kenneth, Member, August 2012
Huelskamp, Glenn, Member, February 2013	Hillis, George “Sam”, May 2013
Winters, Steve, Member, September 2013	Meyerrose, Timothy, Member, May 2014
Richard (Dick) Forrey, Member June 2015	Hutchinson, James Alt Board Member, Dec 2015
Mary Brodrick, Member April 2016	Van Brunt, Craig, May 2016
Gary Stanley, Member October 2017	Jimmie Earl Brown , Member August 2018
Ruth Smith, Member September 2018	Damon Gastineau , Member December 2018
Joseph Smith, Member April 2018	Linda Cope, Past Secretary June 2019
Walter “Wally” J. Dudek, Member November 2019	Joe Kernan, USN Vietnam War POW, July 2020