

MIA Totals: WWI (3,344), WWII (72,674), Korean (7,631), Cold War (126), Vietnam (1,594), OEF, OIF (5)
Indiana WWI (104) WWII (1,500), Korean (170), Vietnam (51)

INCOMING!



September 2023 Newsletter

ROLLING THUNDER®, INC.

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

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Chapter Officers



President: Michael Clark

Vice President: David Craig

Secretary: Jessica Clark

Treasurer: Terry “Flash” Sanderson

President News

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

The Chapter election will be at the September Chapter meeting and I hope every member in good standing attends the Chapter meeting to vote for the officer of your choice. The positions that were available for this election cycle is the President, Secretary, (3) Board Members, and Alternate Board Member. Nominations were taken at our July and August Chapter Meetings for all positions. The President, Secretary, and Alternate Board positions were uncontested. Jessica Clark will remain as the Chapter Secretary, William Smither will take the Alternate Board position, and Mike Clark will remain as the President. The nominees for Board members is listed on page 3. I want to thank all of these members for their willingness to take on more responsibility within the Chapter. I also thank the members that served in these Officer positions for the past two years. You all have done a great job for the Chapter.

The Chapter was honored to have the Lautzenheiser family at our August Chapter meeting. Specialist 5 Michael Lautzenheiser is one of our Indiana MIAs from the Vietnam War. Beth Jones, the sister of Michael, and several other family members were present. Sydney Groves, the Great-Niece of Michael is one of the recipients of the Chapter POW/MIA Scholarship award. Emily Brechenser was the other recipients, but wasn't able to attend the Chapter meeting. See page 6.

Micah Stoneciper from Covington Indiana was the recipients of the Linda J. Cope-Smith Scholarship award. See page 7. In 2023, the Chapter has awarded **\$3,000** in scholarships.

The Chapter continues to help the families of our MIAs whenever possible. Sandra Rigdon, the Daughter of Seaman 1st Class Eldridge Wayne Bowles needed a Wheelchair ramp for her husband Clyde and a Flag Pole for her home so she could fly her American and POW/MIA Flags. The Chapter came through and was able to provide the Flag Pole and Wheelchair ramp for this special Family. See page 10.

We have several events coming up in September. Please refer to page 11 and 12 for the details.

The next Chapter meeting is Sunday September 17, 2023

September 2023 Birthday's



Shawn Utterback 9-6

Melissa Clawson 9-11

David Craig 9-12

David Begala 9-19

Greg Thompson 9-21

Jessica Clark 9-22

Penny Crowder 9-24

Terry Sanderson 9-26

Hope you have many more

Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter 1 Elections

2023 Chapter Officer Nominations



**Chapter President
Mike Clark
Uncontested**



**Chapter Secretary
Jessica Clark
Uncontested**



**Board Member
Don Leasure**



**Board Member
David Brewer**



**Board Member
Chuck Henderson**



**Board Member
Darryle Swartzlander**



**Alternate Board Member
William "Bill" Smither
Uncontested**

Article by William “Bill” Smither
on the
USS Indianapolis and bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki Japan

The Indianapolis was a Portland class heavy cruiser of the United States Navy. Launched in 1931 and commissioned in 1932. Damaged by a kamikaze off Okinawa in 31 March 1945. She returned to the Mare Island naval ship yard in San Francisco Bay for repairs. After two months in the yard, she was stocked with supply's and fuel and was getting ready for a shakedown cruise when the Capt. received secret orders.

He was to take a secret cargo to the Island of Tinian Island as fast as possible. The cargo consisted of a gun barrel and a 5 lb. uranium 235 projectile, about the size of a tomato soup can, for Little Boy, the Atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima.

She departed San Francisco on the morning of 16 July, arriving at Tinian on 26 July with a fuel stop in Hawaii. Departed Tinian for Guam. Ordered to report to a task force off of Letye, she was sunk by a Japanese Sub. on 30 July. On Aug. 2, the survivors were sighted by American plane on sub. patrol. A PBY was sent to investigate.

About 10 ships were sent to pick up the survivors. On 3 Aug. the rescue was complete. Of the 1196 crewmen on board, only 317 survived. Also on this day, a flight of planes from the states arrived at Tinian. One plane carried the larger piece of Uranium U235. This was the target for the gun in Little Boy. The total weight of the U235 in Little Boy was about 22 lbs. Another plane carried the Plutonium core for Fat Man, the bomb the was dropped on Nagasaki. The plutonium core weighed about 80 lbs.

The Enola Gay dropped Little Boy on Hiroshima on 6 Aug. about 8:16 AM. After the drop, the Enola Gay immediately executed a diving 155 degree turn to the right to escape the bomb blast. The Enola Gay had just 43 secs. The bomb was released just above 31, 000 feet. After a short time, a timer tripped. A barometric switch tripped at 5,000 ft. At about 1850 ft. a radar altimeter activated the detonator in the tail of Little Boy, igniting the powder charge, sending the U235 projectile (2000 ft per sec) into the target at the muzzle of the barrel. This caused a nuclear explosion over a live target. 60 percent of Hiroshima was destroyed. 20 percent of her population died. There were 23 America prisoners of war in Hiroshima on 6 Aug. The United States were not aware of this.

I was requested to write this article for Rolling Thunder's monthly newsletter. I do so in memory of the 1196 crew members of the USS Indianapolis CA35 and the 7 AAF and 2 Navy aviators in Hiroshima on the morning of 6 August, 1945

Bill Smither

United States Air Force

Cold War and 557 Red Horse Veteran

Rolling Thunder, Inc. Indiana Chapter #1 Scholarship Awards

The chapter has proudly awarded scholarships to graduating high school seniors that are college or tech school bound since 2020. **Each scholarship award is for \$1,000.**

2020 *IUPUI, Faith Barnes
*DePauw University, Grayson Kleist

2021 *Purdue University, Benton Berger
#Clemson University, Brooke Breedlove
#Bryon College, Ellie Halbert

2022 *Hanover College, Vivian Jacobs

2023 *Purdue University, Micah Stonecipher
#Ball State University, Sydney Groves
#Indiana University, Emily Brechenser

*The **Linda J. Smith-Cope POW-MIA Scholarship** is in honor of former Chapter Members Linda Cope who unexpectedly passed away in 2019 due to medical complications. This scholarship is to honor Linda's spirit, and not only remember her brother Ronald E. Smith but all those that have yet to come home to family and friends from all past wars. This scholarship is only available to a Covington or Fountain Central High School graduating senior seeking a higher education at an accredited College, University, or Trade School.

#The **Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Indiana Chapter #1 Scholarship** is awarded to a high school graduating senior or a student receiving the GED seeking a higher education at an accredited college, university, or trade school. The applicant must be a resident of Indiana, and have a verifiable family relationship to a **former Prisoner of War (POW) or Missing in Action (MIA)**.

**Rolling Thunder, Inc.
Indiana Chapter #1
Scholarship Awards**

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



Emily Brechenser



Sydney Groves

The Chapter Scholarship is only available to family members with a verifiable family relationship to a former Prisoner of War (POW) or Missing in Action (MIA). This scholarship is a way for the Chapter to give back to the families that have given so much for the freedoms that we enjoy today. We as Americans must never forget the hardship that these families have endured with the lost, or not knowing the whereabouts of their loved one.

Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter #1 is honored to provide these two young ladies with a \$1,000 scholarship to continue their education.

Emily Brechenser: Emily is the Granddaughter of William T. Brechenser who was a Private First Class in the Army Infantry. PFC Brechenser was captured on Christmas Eve 1944 in Luxembourg. He was in a German POW camp for three months before being liberated while on a train inbound to Germany.

Emily will pursue a degree at Indiana University in Kinesiology as a pre-physical therapy major. We wish Emily the best in her continuing education at Indiana University.

Sydney Groves: Sydney is the Great-Niece of Specialist 5 Michael Lautzenheiser. On October 26, 1971, a CH-47 Chinook (tail number 66-19143, call sign "Warrior 143") with five crew members and five passengers aboard left Tuy Hoa, South Vietnam, on a supply mission to Cam Rahn Bay, South Vietnam. The helicopter encountered inclement weather and lost radio communication before it crashed into the water off the coast of Nha Trang. Search and rescue missions recovered four bodies and retrieved debris that washed ashore on Hon Tre Island. Specialist Lautzenheiser and six other men aboard the helicopter remain missing.

The above picture to the right, is the Scholarship Committee Chair, Portia Graves, presenting the scholarship check to Sydney Groves. Sydney will pursue a Bachelor's of Science Degree at Ball State University. We wish Sydney the best in her continuing education at Ball State.

**Rolling Thunder, Inc.
Indiana Chapter #1
Scholarship Awards**

Linda J. Smith-Cope Scholarship Award Recipient



The 2023 Linda J. Smith-Cope Scholarship award was presented to **Micah Stoneciper** of Covington Indiana. The Covington Scholarship Committee attended the Covington High School Senior awards night and presented Micah with her Letter of Recognition. Ms. Stoneciper will continue her education at Purdue University in Food Science at the College Agriculture at West Lafayette.

GOLD Star Traveling Wall Escort

Friday August 11, 2023



On Friday August 11, Darryle and Greg assisted the Patriot Guard in escorting the Goldstar Traveling Wall from Memphis, IN to the American Huey 369 Bunker Hill Indiana. This escort started at the Loves Travel Stop 131615 Blue Lick Rd, Memphis IN 47143 and ended at American Jury 369 Bunker Hill Indiana.

The First fuel stop was at 1 Road Rangers located at 1615 East Main Street Greenwood IN where they picked up a few more riders. The Second stop was at the Loves Travel Center located at 1875 S Campbell Xing Tipton Indiana with the final destination was at the American Jury 369 Bunker Hill Indiana. The total distance for the escort was approximately 165 miles.

Speedway, Harley Davidson Westside Bike Night And Corn Hole Classic



On August 16th, Darryle attended the Speedway Bike Night. Darryle setup his trailer as an information booth to have information about Rolling Thunder® and our upcoming events.

Darryle also collected some funds for the Chapter from donations he received from his home made beads.

On August 18th, Darryle, Greg and Chopper Jim, attended the Harley Westside Bike Night. Greg and Chopper Jim is setting on the bench taking it easy.



On August 19th, Mike, Jessica, Barbara Clark, Darryle, Victor, Flash, and Barbara Todd, attended the Corn Hole Classic to help raise funds for the Indiana War Memorial. Team Old Guy/Princess (Mike/Jessica) was 2 and out and the Hot Shots (Darryle/Victor) ended up 2 and 2. Flash and the two Barbara's rooted the team on.



Victor showing his throwing form.



Darryle showing his throwing form

Wheelchair Ramp for Sandra Rigdon Brazil Indiana

Sandra is the Daughter of Seaman 1st Class Eldridge Wayne Bowles. Seaman Bowles reported for duty aboard the USS Indianapolis on October 8, 1943. Seaman Bowles was one of 879 men that was killed or lost at sea when the Japanese sank the USS Indianapolis on July 30th, 1945. Eldridge was 31 years old when he was lost sea.

Sandra was only a few months old when she lost her dad and never got a chance to know her father. This is the sad story of many of our war-fighters, and we need to make sure they and their families are not forgotten.

The Chapter gave Sandra a POW/MIA Flag to fly at her home, but she didn't have a flag pole for the flag. Sandra also mentioned that her husband Clyde, needed an Wheelchair ramp so he could get in and out of their home better. These two issues were presented to the Board, and Membership and was approved by all.

The Chapter purchased a flag pole and hired a contractor to build the wheelchair ramp. The contractor installed the flag pole and completed the ramp on August 26th. Below is some pictures of before and after the ramp was built.

The Chapter helping our MIA families.



Before

After

The gentlemen in the yellow and blue shirts is Jason and his helper of Total Building Solutions. The gentleman next to Jason is Sandra's husband Clyde and Sandra is standing next to Clyde. Total Building Solutions did a great job on the ramp and Clyde and Sandra are very happy.

The Flag Pole was installed in the front yard and needs to settle for a few more days before hanging the flags.

Upcoming Events for September

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| September 6 | Chapter Event Planning Meeting |
| September 7 | Honor Brick Laying Ceremony at the Solider/Sailor Monument |
| September 11 | 9/11 Ride |
| September 11-16 | Vietnam Veterans Reunion |
| September 14 | Watch Fire Ceremony, IWM |
| September 15 | POW/MIA Recognition Day Escort and Ceremony |
| September 16 | Quaker Day Parade |
| September 17 | Board/Chapter Meeting and Elections |
| September 20 | Saluting Branches at Indiana Veterans Home |
| September 23 | INDY Honor Flight #40 |

Chapter Event Planning Meeting

Members are welcome and encouraged to attend the Chapter Event Planning Meetings. The meetings start at 18:00 using the same Zoom information as our monthly Chapter Meetings.

Honor Brick Laying Ceremony at the Solider/Sailor Monument

The Chapter has purchased Honor Bricks for Dick Poynter, John and Tony Brancheau. These gentlemen have been dedicated sponsors to the Chapter for many year. The Honor Bricks is our way to show our appreciation for their support. The ceremony will start at 10:00am at the Solider/Sailor monument on the South/East side.

9/11 Ride

The Chapter will partner with HOG Chapter #1 on the 9/11 ride. The details will be forthcoming.

Vietnam Veterans Reunion

This is the annual reunion at the Howard County Vietnam Veterans located at 8313 E 400 S, Greentown, IN 46936. All Veterans are welcome to attend the annual event.

Watch Fire Ceremony, IWM

The Watch Fire is an annual event that takes place at the Indiana War Memorial. Youth organizations will place over 1700 American Flags on the grounds of the Indiana War Memorial (IWM) to represent the 1700 Indiana heroes that are still Missing In Action (MIA) since WWII. The youth's will read the names of the 1700 MIAs and tour through each war period inside the IWM. The program starts at 7:30pm and is open to everyone.

POW/MIA Recognition Day Escort and Ceremony

The Chapter will escort former POWs and family members of those that are still Missing In Action (MIA) for the Fort Harrison Veterans Center to the Indiana War Memorial for their POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony. There will be a short ceremony at the Veterans Center to recognize the former POWs and MIA families. After the ceremony, the group will be escorted by IMPD to the Indiana War Memorial. Please go to www.indianarollingthunder.com for more details on the event.

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Quaker Day Parade

The Quaker Day Parade will take place in Plainfield Indiana. This is a big event for the local community and normally has a good turnout. The Chapter has been invited to led the parade through the streets of Plainfield. We will also have a information table setup to pass out information about our Chapter and our mission. Please monitor your email for additional updates when we get closure to September 16th.

Board/Chapter Meeting and Elections

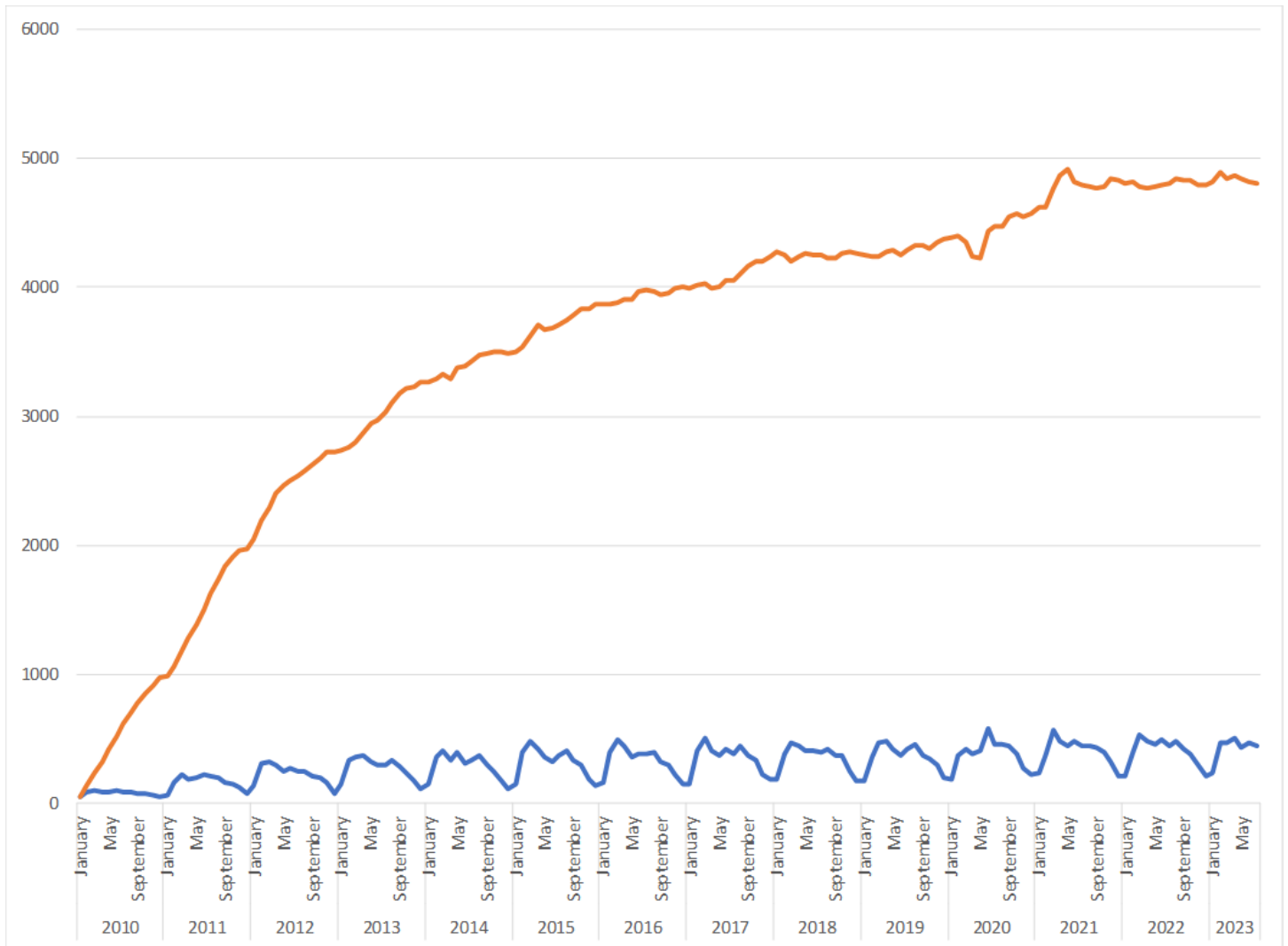
This is the Chapters normally monthly meeting at the Fort Harrison Veterans Center located at 9450 East 59th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46216. In addition, September is the month where elections are held for Officer positions. This year election includes the following positions, President, Secretary, (3) Board Members, and Alternate Board Member. As a member of the Chapter, its your duty to be at the September Chapter meeting to vote for the Chapter Officers. Refer to page 3 for the members running for Officer positions. Based on the August nominations, the following positions were uncontested and will serve for the next two years, President (Mike Clark), Chapter Secretary (Jessica Clark), and Alternate Board Member (William Smither). The election will be for the 3 Board Member positions. Be sure to be at the September Chapter meeting to vote the Board member of your choice.

We will also have a special guest at our September Chapter meeting. Porter Alexander Halyburton a former Vietnam War POW who was captured in 1966 and was a POW until his release during Operating Homecoming in 1973. Porter is also the author of **Reflections on Captivity**. The book is a tapestry of stories by a Vietnam War POW.

Saluting Branches at Indiana Veterans Home

Saluting Branches is a non-profit organization that was founded in 2015 by a group of arborists in Minnesota, United States. Their mission is to honor and assist veterans by providing tree care services at national cemeteries and other veteran properties. The idea for Saluting Branches was sparked by our desire to give back to our community and to honor veterans. Saluting Branches will be at the Indiana Veterans Home in Lafayette Indiana to clean up the grounds to the include the POW/MIA Grove of Honor that was dedicated in 2021. The Chapter normally performs the Roll Call ceremony during the opening of the Saluting Branches event. Please monitor your email for updates.

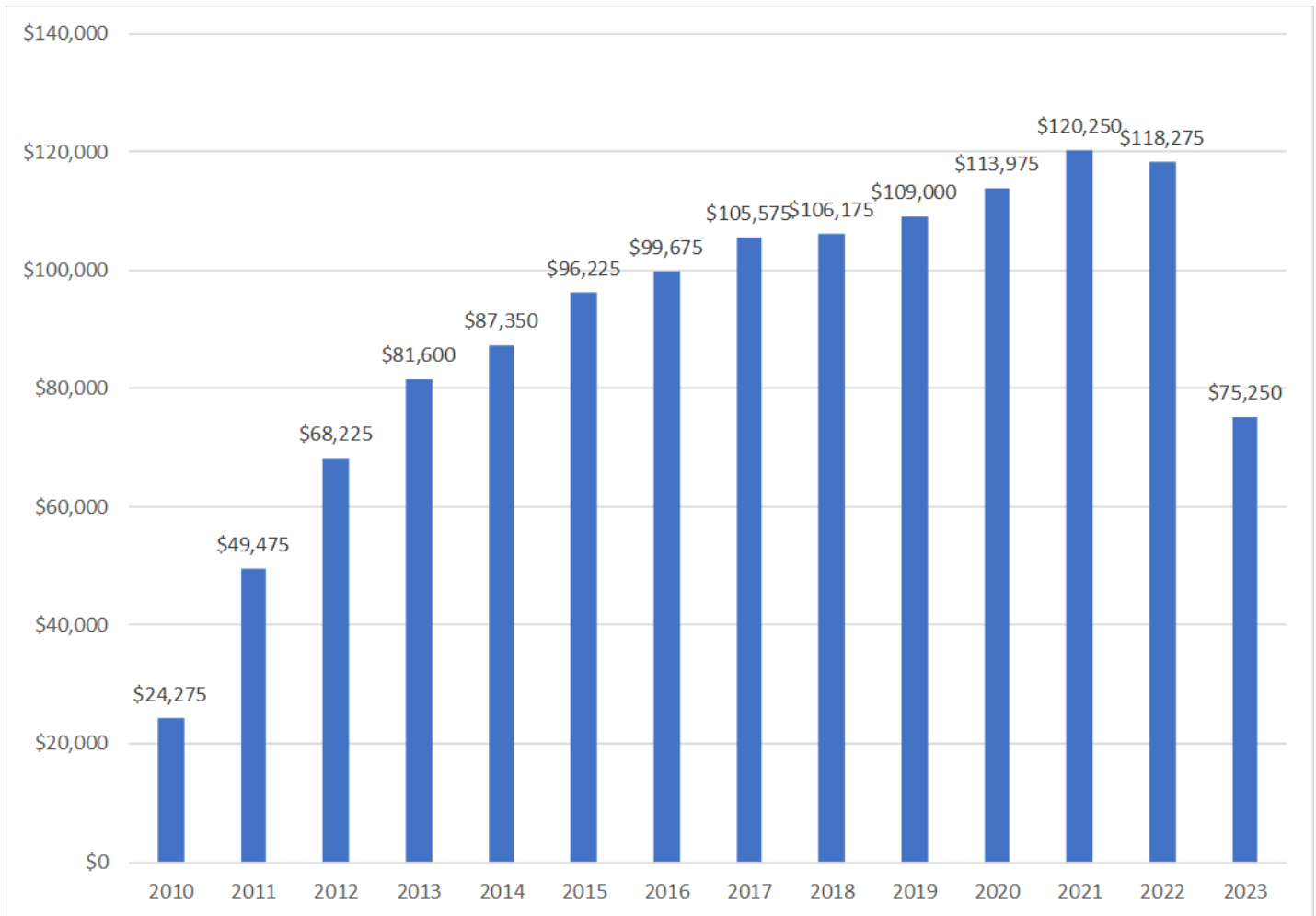
Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plates on the Streets As of July 31, 2023



As of July 31, 2023, we have **4,811** 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). 439 plates were Renewed/Sold in July, 2023. **We are 10 plates up from July 2022.**

Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate Fund

From 2010 to 2023



Since the introduction of the Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate in January 2010, the plate has generated an estimated **\$1,255,325**. 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.

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's 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.

Please DO NOT Glue your patches on your vest. National will NOT accept damaged patches and you may lose your patch refund.

POW/MIA Affairs Committee

2023 DPAA MIAs Accounted-For

Total Accounted for in 2023: 32
As of August 30, 2023

Accounted-For by War

WWII (21)

Korea (7)

Vietnam/Laos (4)

Accounted-For By Service

U.S Army (12)

U.S Army Air Forces (12)

U.S Marine Corps (2)

U.S Marine Corps Reserves (0)

U.S Navy (3)

U.S Navy Reserves (0)

U.S Air Force (3)

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 |
| 1LT Robert L. McIntosh | 5-12-1944 | 8-1-2015 | 8-13-2016 | Italy | Tipton |
| 3rd Class Francis L. Hannon | 12-7-1941 | 10-24-2017 | | USS Oklahoma | Indianapolis |
| PVT USMC Fred Freet | 11-20-1943 | 8-6-2018 | 4-18-2019 | Tarawa Atoll | Marion |
| 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 |
| PFC Army Clifford M. Mills | 9-18-1944 | 1-29-2019 | 3-30-2019 | Germany | Troy |
| SEA1 Oris V. Brandt | 12-7-1941 | 2-20-2019 | | USS Oklahoma | Kentland |
| TSGT Charles G. Ruble | 9-17-1944 | 5-31-2019 | 3-2-2020 | Netherlands | Parker City |

POW/MIA Affairs Committee

Continue

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 Marley R. Arthurholtz | 12-7-1941 | 9-18-2019 | 12-7-2019 | USS Oklahoma | South Bend |
| PFC USMC Louis Wiesshan | 11-21-1943 | 9-23-2019 | 6-11-2020 | Tarawa Atoll | Richmond |
| SEA1 Maurice V. Spangler | 12-7-1941 | 3-27-2020 | | USS Oklahoma | Ft. Wayne |
| CPO B. James Booe | 12-7-1941 | 9-29-2020 | 6-1-2021 | USS Oklahoma | Veedersburg |
| 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 |
| PFC USMC Charles D. Miller | 11-22-1943 | 5-19-2020 | | Tarawa Atoll | Albany |
| SGT Stanley Lee Dewitt | 11-1-1950 | 6-5-2020 | 10-19-2021 | Chosen Reservoir | Royal City |
| George Gilbert | 12-7-941 | 8-24-2020 | 6-6-2022 | USS Oklahoma | Indianapolis |
| SFC James A. Coleman | 10-3-1952 | 5-23-2022 | 10-19-2022 | Korea | Hillsdale |
| SGT Charles Garrigus | 12-1-1950 | 8-2-2022 | 3-7-2023 | Chosen Reservoir | Terre Haute |
| PFC Leonard E. Adams | 1-21-1945 | 7-20-2022 | 6-13-2023 | France | Dana |

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 |
| Scars and Strips | Captain Eugene "RED" McDaniel USN Retired |
| Reflections on Captivity | Porter Alexander Halyburton |

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.

The Coachman offers daily lunch, and dinner food specials, with discount on appetizers, desserts, wine, liquor, and beer.

Join us for great food, and service along with our beautiful Patio for outside dining and entertainment (weather permitting). The Coachman is located at 6112 Cambridge Way, Plainfield, IN 46168

Mr. Paynter with his wife Becky. Hard to believe that a Marine could make such a catch

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The Coachman Restaurant and Lounge

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Always remember our American POWs and MIAs





Ed Duam is a long time Rolling Thunder Chapter Member, and owner of the Do it Best Hardware store in Plainfield, IN. Ed has a great selection of hardware products for you do-it-yourselfers. If you are in a need of an American, POW-MIA, or State flag, see Ed. His flags are top American quality at a reasonable price.

Ed offers 10% discount to Veterans.

Web site: <http://www.plainfielddoitbest.com/>

Store Address: 1001 East Main Street, Plainfield, IN 46168 (317) 839-2353

Ed will love to see yea



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

NEVER FORGET

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| 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 |
| Melanie Bailey, Member November 25, 2021 | Katherina Bean, Member December 14, 2021 |
| Donald Leffler, Member December 20, 2021 | Richard Harrington, Past COB, January 17, 2022 |
| John Byers, Member August 27, 2022 | Kaler, Shirley, Member October 13, 2022 |
| James “Jim” Weaver, Member December 14, 2022 | Joseph B. Stuart, Member July 20, 2023 |