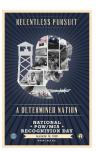


State of Texas POW/MIA Report for Mid-Winter Council of Administration

Clarence Wm. Jackson, CSQA POW/MIA Chairman 2020-2021



I want to thank Commander Shawver for the appointment as POW/MIA Chairman. Together as One, we honor POW/MIA by Remembering. The purpose of this report is to highlight activities of the POW/MIA Chairman for the first half of the current VFW year.

There were 192 of 292 Posts in every District that reported VPR for POW/MIA events this year.

One of the tasks with POW/MIA Accounting is the identification and returning of remains. One of the duties of the POW/MIA Chairman is to keep up with remains of Texans, and to alert the district commander in those cases so VFW can be a part of the welcome home ceremony. I check DPAA weekly for notification of any remains being returned to Texas so that Texas VFW can be a part of the return activities in our areas. When it has been determined that we are getting remains, I alert the District Commander regarding when and where.

There was one Texas return of remains so far this VFW year as listed on DPAA's web site. That returned Comrade was Layton Banks, USN, who died Dec 7th, 1941 at Pearl Harbor. He was returned and buried in Allen, TX on Oct 24, 2020. District 1 Commander Katie Baillio was notified and activated the District's POW/MIA chairman. Special shout out to District 1 and their POW/MIA chairman Comrade Robert Rouse for organizing various VFW posts within the District to provide help with parking at the funeral home and cemetery, comfort, and assistance to the family, and for showing up. I estimate that there were at least 30 VFW and 15 VFWA members at the burial site.

I will have a POW/MIA seminar, open to all, on Saturday morning at 9am. At the presentation, I will review the DPAA's full accounting program, the POW/MIA Day national program, and the VFW VPR activities that support the POW/MIA national program, and how-to setup the Missing Man Table.

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