



“I now know why men who have been to war yearn to reunite. Not to tell stories or look at old pictures. Not to laugh or weep. Comrades gather because they long to be with the men who once acted at their best; men who suffered and sacrificed, who were stripped of their humanity.

I did not pick these men. They were delivered by fate and the military. But I know them in a way I know no other men. I have never given anyone such trust. They were willing to guard something more precious than my life. They would have carried my reputation, the memory of me. It was a part of the bargain we all made, the reason we were so willing to die for one another.

As long as I have memory, I will think of them all, every day. I am sure that when I leave this world, my last thought will be of my family and my comrades . . . Such good men.”

George J. Marrett, from his book *Cheating Death: Combat Air Rescues in Vietnam and Laos*

Still Waiting to Come Home



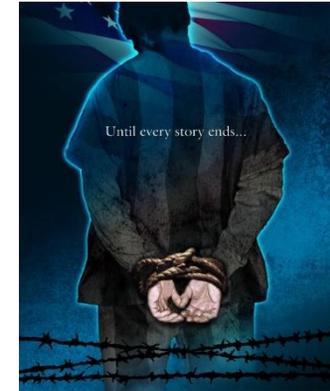
WWI 4,422	Cold War 126
WWII 72,583	Korea 7,579
	Vietnam 1586
	Iraq & Afghanistan 6

Every Soldier Has Earned the Right to Come Home!



The Ride Home

2021



76th Anniversary WW II
 68th Anniversary Korea
 53rd Anniversary Pueblo
 48th Anniversary Vietnam
 30th Anniversary Gulf I
 18th Anniversary Gulf II

WELCOME HOME!

WE Will

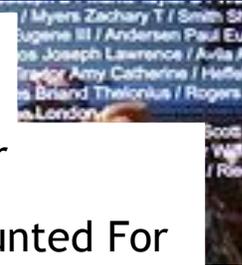
NEVER Forget!



The RIDE HOME

Honoring all Former Prisoners of War

Remembering Our Missing in Action/Unaccounted For



The Ride Home began in 2002 as a retreat and rededication. Our founding members, from Florida and Georgia Rolling Thunder Chapters, chose the **Andersonville National Historic Site** at Andersonville, Georgia, home of the **National Prisoner of War Museum**.

We took up the challenge of a Presidential Proclamation, ***"I call upon the people of the United States to join me in honoring and remembering all former American prisoners of war and those missing in action who valiantly served our great country. I also call upon Federal, State, and local government officials and private organizations to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities."***

Each year, our goals are to invite, as our guests, former POWs and MIA families, offering a recognition commensurate with their extraordinary courage and valor, to increase the number of participants paying tribute, to increase public awareness and commitment that we will Never Forget.

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16-18 September 2021

The information below is provided as a guide to events that are traditionally held on each day. This information will be updated as plans become finalized throughout the coming year.

Thursday 16 September

Hotel check-in

Friday 17 & Saturday 18 September

A variety of Services, Ceremonies, Escort Ride, Banquet and more . . .

Sunday 19 September

Check out
Church Services

Testimonials from our Honored Guests



"It is difficult for me to even begin to describe how much this weekend meant to us. I am still overwhelmed with emotion as I remember the ceremonies, the people we met, new friends we made and especially the kindness and compassion shown to us by all of you.

After so many years of waiting for answers and sometimes wondering if anyone else really cares - or even remembers, it was reassuring to know that you will ensure that there will be accountability and answers for the POW/MIA issue. We will never forget this weekend."



"All of you guys have shown us ex-pow's a friendship and camaraderie that few ever experience."



". . . So, thank you. For a fantastic weekend of events, for 'being there' for us, for all you do on the POW/MIA issue and for truly becoming part of my extended family."

