

After Action Report

BG William C Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery

April 11, 2017

We were blessed with a great warm sunny day for the 1400 hr service. Our VVA Shore Area Chapter 12 and MIAP were humbled to bring home and put to rest 8 Army Veterans from WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. They were Robert Polhemus, Wolfgang Friedrich, Robert B Connolly, Frederick L Isaacs, Paul Thomson, Joseph A Hopf, Ralph Gardner, and Eugene T Huber.

The ceremony was conducted by approximately 23 members of Vietnam Veterans of America Shore Area Chapter 12. We were honored to have members of VVA Chapter 899 of Bordentown, NJ, VVA Chapter 1068 of Somerdale, NJ, representatives from VVA NJ State Council, representatives from Seabee Island X1 of Neptune, NJ, representatives from Manalapan Veterans Advisory Committee, and Middletown Veterans Advisory Committee also attend the ceremony.

Each burial urn and flag was placed on the ceremonial platform by members of Chapter 12 and other guests. This was followed by the reading of the names and a memorial presentation by Chapter member Bob Hopkins, followed by Taps and the folding of the flag by the military detail. The ceremonial flag was presented to Chapter President Dennis Beauregard. The commands for the entire ceremony were orchestrated by former DI and Chapter member Don Davison.

I would like to thank MIAP Brigitte Corbin for the donation of the urns and her untiring mentoring. I also wish to thank Boy Scouts of America Troup 122, Middletown, NJ for folding the flags for the ceremony.

Respectfully submitted

Richard Gough

Cremaains Committee Chairman

After Action Report

BG William C Doyle Veterans Cemetery

April 18, 2017

We were blessed with another great sunny day for this 1400 hr service. Today we brought home and put to rest 5 Veterans from WWI, WWII, and Korea. They were Edward Dickisson: Navy, Louis Kline: Navy, Howard Duvinage: Navy, Frank Henry: Army and Navy, and Arthur Pierson: Army Air Force.

The ceremony was conducted by approximately 13 members of Vietnam Veterans of America Shore Area Chapter 12. We were also honored to have members of VVA Chapter 899 of Bordentown, NJ, representatives from Seabee Island X1 of Neptune, NJ, and representatives from the Manalapan Veterans Advisory Committee. The burial urns and flags were placed on the ceremonial platform by members of Chapter 12 and the Naval Honor Guard. Acting Chaplain Bob Hopkins gave the memorial speech as well as the closing remarks about our responsibility as veterans to never leave a fellow veteran behind, whether on the battlefield or on the shelf of a funeral home. As always Taps seemed so poignant on this afternoon. Ironically, since the Cemetery is located only a few miles from Joint Base McGuire/Dix/Lakehurst and if by plan, we were treated to flyovers by an Army Helicopter and an Air Force KC10 Tanker. The ceremonial flag was presented to Chapter President Dennis Beauregard by the Navy detail. I would like to thank MIAP-Virginia for the donation of the urns and Boy Scouts of America Troup 122, Middletown, NJ for folding the flags for the ceremony. Above all, a big thanks to those who took the time to attend and participate.

Respectfully submitted

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Cremaains Project report. June 7, 2017

May was a slow month with only two funeral home visits. However, both visits appear to be productive possibilities. Snapfish photo books of both of our burials were created, ordered and received. After action reports were submitted to MIAP. Death certs for the two unclaimed remains of spouses of previously interred veterans were received, required certified letters and newspaper publications have been done and the completion of their paperwork is in the works for interment at Arneytown and Long Island National Cemetery.