MIA Totals: WWI (3,344), WWII (71,943), Korean (7,424), Cold War (126), Vietnam (1,572), OEF, OIF (6) Indiana WWI (104) WWII (1,497), Korean (169), Vietnam (51)

## INCOMING!



July Newsletter

**ROLLING THUNDER®, INC.** 



Indiana Chapter #1 "POW-MIA – You are not Forgotten" <u>http://indianarollingthunder.com</u> https://www.facebook.com/RTINCh1

**Chapter Officers** 

President: Michael Clark

Secretary: Jessica Clark

Vice President: Darryle Swartzlander Treasurer: Terry "Flash" Sanderson

### **President News**

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

Our June guest speaker Stan Hunt, unfortunately got sick and wasn't able to make our June Chapter meeting. However, Stan has rescheduled for our July Chapter meeting. Information on Stan is located on page 4 of the newsletter. Please feel free to pass this information on to your friends and invite them to attend the meeting.

June was the start of the Chapter Election cycle. In accordance with the National Constitution, all members will be duly notified of elections by an announcement in the Chapter Newsletter and the June, July and August Chapter meeting. Nominations will be taken at our July and August Chapter meetings only with the elections being held at the September Chapter meeting. The positions that will be up for election is the **President**, **Secretary**, (3) **Board Members**, and **Alternate Board Member**. See pages 5 - 10 for more details on the election.

The Chapter had a few good events since the June Chapter meeting. On June 11<sup>th</sup>, we had an impromptu ride to the Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum, see page 12. On June 21<sup>st</sup>, we had the Annual Brewer's Fling in Salem Indiana, see page 13, and on June 28<sup>th</sup>, we had our annual Veterans Memorial Ride to the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, see page 14.

The Chapter's 2025 Gun Raffle is in the books, and was very successful. I want to thank everyone that took the effort to sell raffle tickets and work the booths at the shows. You all did an awesome job and generated a net gain of **\$7,504.56** for the Chapter. These funds will help the Chapter to continue on with its POW/MIA Mission and helping our Indiana Veterans. The winner of the raffle was Nick Rensing of Evansville Indiana. Nick came by Indy Arms on Saturday July 12<sup>th</sup> to pick up the weapons. We congratulate Nick on being the lucky winner. See pages 18-20.

The Chapter has been invited to participate in the 80<sup>th</sup> annual reunion of the sinking of the USS Indianapolis on Wednesday July 30<sup>th</sup> at the USS Indianapolis Memorial starting at 12:15. The Chapter will perform the Honor Watch Roll Call ceremony for the 31 Indiana Hoosiers who perished that day. Please mark July 30<sup>th</sup> on your calendar and plan on attending the ceremony.

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#### The Next Chapter Meeting is on Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup>.

July 2025 Birthday's



Denise Van Brunt 7-2 Diana Jones 7-8 Ellis Hinkle 7-15 Rocco Brunelle 7-18 Ed Newbill 7-18 Ralph Spangle 7-20 John Higgins 7-21 Larry Wilson 7-23 Nicholas Bush 7-27 Eric Meyers 7-28

## Hope you have many more

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### **ACTIVE MEMBERS WITH 20 YEARS OR MORE OF SERVICE**

First Name	Last Name	Date Joined	Remarks	
Judy	Brinkley	September 1, 1998		
Sammy	Davis	September 1, 1998	Honorary	
Carol	McFarland	September 1, 1998		
Don	McFarland	September 1, 1998		
Mark	Smith	September 1, 1998	Honorary	
Bill	Reisa	November 19, 1998		
Terry	Sanderson	June 28, 1999		
Roger	Roe	November 19, 2000		
Donna	Ransdell	April 21, 2002		
Tom	Ransdell	April 21, 2002		
Ken	White	January 18, 2003		
David	Begala	June 1, 2003		
Alex	Barile	February 2, 2004		
Tony	Palmiero	March 1, 2004		
Larry	Paynter	March 21, 2004		
Michael	Clark	February 2, 2005		
Barbara	Clark	May 15, 2005		
Linda	Harrington	July 5, 2005		

The above members are still active members in the Chapter and have 20 or more years of service starting in 2025. Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter #1 was chartered in September 1, 1998. The above members with Joined Date of September 1, 1998 are Charter Members.

The Chapter is fortunate to have dedicated members such as these and I thank them for their service to the Chapter. I hope all of you will continue your service for many more years. Thank You.

### Rolling Thunder Inc. Indiana Chapter #1 Chapter Meeting July 20, 2025

Visitors are invited to attend our meeting either in person at 1:00 pm, at the Ft. Harrison Veterans Center, 9450, E. 59<sup>th</sup>, Lawrence, IN. or on Zoom <sup>(1)</sup>

Visitors will hear about Chapter activities promoting awareness of the POW-MIA issue and assistance being provided to our veterans.

Our featured speaker for July will be Stan Hurt. Stan is a retired Lt. Cmdr. from the Navy. Then at 59 he became a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the 18<sup>th</sup> Indiana Light Artillery, known as Eli Lilly's Battery. Serving 17 years with fellow Civil War reenactors. He retired as a Major serving as Chief of Staff of the Union Regiments in Indiana. Stan is a Trustee for the Indiana Historic Society. His talk will focus on the Civil War and Eli Lilly's service and capture during the Civil War. Lilly was held as a POW from September 1864 to January 1865.



Lilly 1885

<sup>(1)</sup> Zoom link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89915506643</u>

**Meeting ID:** 899 1550 6643 **Passcode**: POW

**Dial in**: 312-626-6799 or 646-558-8656 **Meeting ID**: 899 1550 6643 **Passcode**: 208540

Our Mission: The major function of Rolling Thunder®, Inc. is to publicize the POW-MIA issue: To educate the public that many American Prisoners of War were left behind after all previous wars and 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. Rolling Thunder®, Inc. is a non-profit organization, and everyone donates his or her time because they believe in the POW/MIA Issue that we are working on.

### **Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter 1**

### **Elections**

June was the start of our 2025 election cycle. In accordance with the National Constitution, all members will be duly notified of elections in the Chapter Newsletter, and by an announcement at the June, July and August Chapter meeting. Nominations will be taken at our July and August Chapter meetings only.

You MUST be present to accept the Nomination.

To be nominated and/or elected for any officer position, a member must be in good standing for a period of (1) year or longer.

The member must have their Rocker/Eagle patches and have attended six (6) Chapter meetings in the past (12) months prior to nomination.

The election will be held at our September 17th Chapter Meeting.

The positions that will be up for election is the President, Secretary, (3) Board Members, and Alternate Board Member.

In accordance with the National Constitution, to be eligible for position of Chapter President, a member must have held a Chapter Executive Officer position or been a member of the Board of Directors for 12 months of a Chapter prior to being nominated.

### The Officer position that are open for the 2025 election are listed below.



Mike Clark President



Jessica Clark Secretary



David Brewer Board Member



Soard Member Vacant Board Member Vacant



William Smither Alternate Board Member

## **Chapter President Duties and Responsibilities Description**

The Chapter President is an elected official with a (2) year term and is the Chief Executive Officer in charge of the daily operation of the Chapter. The Chapter President enhances the organization's public standing by clearly articulating the Rolling Thunder® mission statement, accomplishments, and goals to the public and garners support from the community.

The duties of the Chapter President will include, but not limited to the following duties.

- a. Responsible for the overall day-to-day operation, safety, management and financial order of the organization.
- b. The Chapter President ensures that all officers, board members and members follow the Constitution.
- c. The Chapter President sets the agenda and runs the monthly membership meetings and ensures all meetings are run according to the Constitution and Roberts Rules when applicable.
- d. The Chapter President gives agenda ideas for discussion to the Chairman of the Board for the Board Meetings. (The Chairman of the Board runs the Board Meeting).
- e. Must have held another office, i.e.: Treasure, Secretary, or Board member, for a full term with Indiana Chapter #1.
- f. Must not miss (3) consecutive meetings without legitimate excuse.
- g. The President is responsible to the Vice President of Rolling Thunder® Inc. National. In some cases, through the State.

## **Chapter Secretary Duties and Responsibilities Description**

The Chapter Secretary is an elected official with a (2) year term. The Chapter Secretary attends and records the minutes of all meetings and is the records officer for the Chapter. The Chapter Secretary enhances the organization's public standing by clearly articulating the Rolling Thunder mission statement, accomplishments, and goals to the public and garners support from the community.

The duties of the Chapter Secretary will include, but not limited to the following duties.

- a. Recording, editing and maintaining all meeting minutes
- b. Maintains custody of all records, reports on behalf of the executive officers.
- c. Prepares and distributes all incoming/outgoing correspondences, memorandums etc.
- d. Assist in the preparation of the Organizational Activities Reports.
- e. Provides monthly minutes to the Chapter for review.
- f. Must not miss (3) consecutive meetings without legitimate excuse submitted to the Chapter President.
- g. The Secretary is responsible to the President of the Chapter.
- h. Have a working knowledge of the National Constitution and Chapter Rules found on the Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter 1 website.

## **Chapter Board Member Duties and Responsibilities Description**

The Chapter Board Member is an elected official with a (2) year term. The Chapter Board Member enhances the organization's public standing by clearly articulating the Rolling Thunder® mission statement, accomplishments, and goals to the public and garners support from the community.

The duties of the Chapter Board Member will include, but not limited to the following duties.

- a. Reports to the Chairman of the Board.
- b. Must attend all scheduled Board meetings and special Board meetings as determined by the Chairman of the Board or Chapter President.
- c. Must not miss (3) consecutive meetings without legitimate excuse submitted to the Chairman of the Board or Chapter President.
- d. Makes recommendations to the Board that will help promote the Chapter's mission and goals.
- e. Participates in Board discussions as presented by the Chairman of the Board or other Board Members.
- f. Votes on subject maters as directed by the Chairman of the Board.
- g. Must abide by the Rolling Thunder® National Constitution Rules of Conduct at all times.
- h. Have a working knowledge of the National Constitution and Chapter Rules found on the Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter 1 website.

## **Chapter Alternate Board Member Duties and Responsibilities Description**

The Chapter Alternate Board Member is an elected official with a (2) year term. The Alternate Board Member enhances the organization's public standing by clearly articulating the Rolling Thunder® mission statement, accomplishments, and goals to the public and garners support from the community.

The duties of the Alternate Board Member will include, but not limited to the following duties.

- a. Reports to the Chairman of the Board.
- b. Must attend all scheduled Board meetings and special Board meetings as determined by the Chairman of the Board or Chapter President.
- c. Must not miss (3) consecutive meetings without legitimate excuse submitted to the Chairman of the Board or Chapter President.
- d. Makes recommendations to the Board that will help promote the Chapter's mission and goals.
- e. Participates in Board discussions as presented by the Chairman of the Board or other Board Members.
- f. Votes in the absents of a Board Member on subject maters as directed by the Chairman of the Board.
- g. Must abide by the Rolling Thunder® National Constitution Rules of Conduct at all times.
- h. Have a working knowledge of the National Constitution and Chapter Rules found on the Rolling Thunder® Indiana Chapter 1 website.

### June Chapter Meeting June 8, 2025

At the June Chapter meeting, we were honored to present the Chapter Scholarship award to Marissa Pogue. Marissa is the Great Granddaughter of former WWII POW 2Lt. Jack M. Humbrecht. The Chapter Scholarship is a way for the Chapter to give back to the family members who have suffered so much with the loss of a loved one who is Missing in Action or was capturted and taken as a Prisoner of War. Marissa's essay on the Massacre at Palawan is listed in the June Newsletter.

Chapter Member Eric Meyers, was a gaurdian on Honor Flight #46 for Veteran Janice Adair. Eric briefed the Chapter on his expersience on the Honor flight as a Guardian and how much it meant to him and Janice. Eric went into the details of the Honor Flight from the early morning start to the Welcome Home celebration at the Plainfield High School. Eric did an awesome job and the Chapter appreciates him sharing his expersience.



Marissa Pogue receiving Chapter Scholarship Award.



Eric Meyers briefing the Chapter on his Honor Flight Experience.



Dale Swartzlander was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for his support of the Chapters POW/MIA Mission. Dale is a non-member who freely gave his time in support of the Chapters Gun Raffle.



Shawn Utterback is receiving the Sergeant Lever Sponsorship award on the behalf of Marion, Inc. The Marion, Inc. has been a Sergeant Level sponsor for many years.

### Impromptu Ride to Fort Wayne June 11, 2025



The Chapter was scheduled to take a ride to the Wall in Washington D.C on June 11<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup>. Unfortuntly, Washiung D.C was preparing for the Army's 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> and was closing a lot of the streets and putting up baracades around the Plaza in preparation of the parade.

According to the Bus company, getting down to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall on Thursday evening would be very diffcult if not impossible. For the majority of the riders, the main purpose of the trip to Washington D.C was to make one more visit to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall. The group decided to postpone the trip to Washington D.C and reschedule for a later time.

To keep ffrom wasting a good day for riding, we decided to make a run to the Veteerans National Shrine and Mesume in Fort Wayne, IN to visit the Wall and to see the POW/MIA Bench of Rememrance that the Chapter dedicated in May during our Ride for Freedom. After doing a tour of the facility, the group rode over to Mission BBQ for a great lunch.

From left to right is William (Rode Cone) Bailey, Tom and Donna Ransdell, Susan Davis, Mike and Barbara Clark, Chuck and Carla Henderson, and guest Bruce Coy.

### Brewer's Annual Fling June 21, 2025

Dave and Kathy Brewer had their Annual Fling on Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> at their home in Salem Indiana. Salem is down in Southeran Indiana in Deliverance country. If you have never been to Salem Indiana it's a great ride.

David and Kathy always puts on a big spread and has a lot of good food to eat and drinks to wash it down with. If you go away hungary or thirsty from Dave and Kathy's fling, its your own fault.



Chapter members Larry Paynter, Jim Haarbauer, Darryle Swartzlander, and Denise Van Brunt was able to make the Brewer Fling and had a great time. Larry did make a comment that it was really HOT weather wise.

If you missed the Brewer Fling this year, dont fret, the Brewer Fling is an annual event and will take place again in 2026. Keep an eye on the announcement for 2026.

### Veterans Memorial Ride June 28, 2025

On Saturday June 28<sup>th</sup>, a small group (!) of Chapter Members rode down to Madison Indiana to the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Once we arrived, we gather around the cannon to remember our 40 Chapter members and friends that have past on. Chaplian Tom Ransdell past out cards on each of the 40 indivisual for members to read when it was their turn. The member read the information on the card and added any stories that they may have on the indivisual. The members shared a lot of good stories about the members they knew and it would have been more edcuational if more members would have attended. After our meeting at the cannon, we traveled over to the gravesites of some of our members that have passed on.





Jon Brinkley joined in 1998 and passed in 2009. Served as Chapter President.



Ronald Jolly joined in 1998 and passed in 2011. Served as Road Captain



Richard "Dick" Harrington Joined in 2005 and passed in 2022. Served as Chairman of the Board

### **Rosie the Riveter**

*Rosie the Riveter* is the iconic workforce of women answering the call of Uncle Sam to work the factories and shipyards to fill the positions of the male workers who had joined the milit ary during WWII. These factories produced munitions and equipment needed to supply the military. The war would not have been won if it were not for these women manufacturing the goods need for the war from 1941 to 1945. Our country owes these women a great deal of gratitude and recognition.

As to exactly 'who' is Rosie remains to be a mystery. However, there have been several people suggested over the years.

**Rosina ''Rosie'' Bonavita** from San Diego, CA worked for Convair.

**Rosalind P. Walter** who worked the night shift building the F4U Corsair at Goodyear.

Adeline Rose O'Malley working at Boeing's Wichita plant.

**Rose Will Monroe** working in Ypsilanti, MI building the B-24 bomber. She was selected to be Rosie in the song <u>'Rose the Riveter'</u> in promoting women supporting the war effort at home. She died in 1997 in Clarkesville, IN.

Women taking jobs had children. They pool together in order to keep up with raising the children, cooking and



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doing the laundry. In cases they lived together working different shifts. In recruiting women for jobs it was said that if you can 'operate an electric mixer' you can learn to operate a drill.

Several million women stepped up getting war jobs. At the end of the war the government encouraged women to go back into the home. However, many continued working factory jobs. There are claims that Rosie the Riveter forever opened the work force for women.

You may want to find the 1944 film, Rosie the Riveter staring Jane Frazee.

Written by Terry 'Flash' Sanderson May 1, 2025

### **Upcoming Events**

July 20 <sup>th</sup>	Board and Chapter Meeting	
July 30 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup> Annual USS Indianapolis Honor Watch	
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Event Plaining Meeting	
August 17 <sup>th</sup>	Board and Chapter Meeting	

### **Board and Chapter Meeting**

This will be the Chapters monthly meeting at the Fort Harrison Veterans Center. The Board meeting is for Board Members only and the Chapter meeting is for everyone. This will also be the **first opportunity** to make nominations for Chapter Officers. The Board meeting will be from 11:00 - 12:45. The Chapter meeting starts at 1:00PM. The positions that will be up for election is the **President, Secretary**, (3) Board Members, and **Alternate Board Member**.

### 9th Annual USS Indianapolis Honor Watch

The Chapter has been invited to perform the Roll Call ceremony for the 31 Indiana Hoosier heroes, who served on the USS Indianapolis, and gave the ultimate sacrifice on July 30th, 1945 when the USS Indianapolis was sunk by the Japanese Navy. We'll need Chapter Members to help with the Roll Call ceremony by reading the names of the 31 who lost their lived on that terrible day. Everyone is encouraged to attend this special ceremony on Wednesday July 30th at 12:15pm at the USS Indianapolis Memorial.

### **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.

### **Board and Chapter Meeting**

This will be the Chapters monthly meeting at the Fort Harrison Veterans Center. The Board meeting is for Board Members only and the Chapter meeting is for everyone. This will be the **last opportunity** to make nominations for Chapter Officers. The Board meeting will be from 11:00 - 12:45PM. The Chapter meeting starts at 1:00PM. The positions that will be up for election is the **President, Secretary**, (3) Board Members, and Alternate Board Member.

### Future Events to Remember Save the Dates

The Chapter has some important events coming up throughout the year that we need members to mark on their calendar and support.

Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan on attending.

**August 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Veterans Center Support Event (Subject to change to a later date).

- September 12<sup>th</sup> Project Recovery (Indiana War Memorial)
- **September 13<sup>th</sup>** Indy Honor Flight #47
- **September 18<sup>th</sup>** Watch Fire Ceremony.
- **September 19th** POW/MIA Recognition Day Escort and Ceremony.
- **October 25<sup>th</sup>** Indy Honor Flight #48 (Last Honor Flight for 2025)

Indy 1500 Gun & Blade Show



**The June 6th - 8<sup>th</sup>** show wrapped up the 2025 Gun Raffle for the Chapter. All 1,000 tickets were sold before the end of the show on June 8<sup>th</sup>. **The winner of the Gun Raffle was Nickolas Rensing.** 

I thank Darryle for managing the raffle and all of the members who worked the booths at the shows and sold raffle tickets. You all did a great job and raised a lot of money for the Chapter. More details on the Gun Raffle will be provided in the July Newsletter.



June 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Gun and Blade Show at the Indiana State Fair Grounds

### Raffle

# Revenue and Expenses as of June 30, 2025

### Revenue

Net Gain (Loss)	\$ 7,504.56
Total Expenses	\$3,139.65
Uhaul Track Day`	\$115.35
Parking Reimbursements	\$20.00
WOW Tickets/Electric Drop	\$220.00
Uhaul WOW	\$57.68
Uhaut Gun Show	\$57.68
June Gun Show Deposit	\$50.00
World of Wheels	\$525.00
March Gun Show	\$300.00
Booth Rentals:	
<b>Booth Accessaries</b>	\$303.65
Printing/Stationery	\$431.09
Guns (Raffle Prizes)	\$1,059.20
Expenses	
Total Revenue	\$10,644.21
Donations/Beads Total	\$644.21
June Gun Show	\$83.00
Other	\$80.00
IMS	\$139.00
WOW	\$122.00
March Gun Show	\$220.21
Donations/Beads	
Ticket Sales Total	\$10,000.00
Ticket Sales - Members	\$3,270.00
June Gun Show Ticket Sales	\$910.00
RFF25	\$320.00
IMS	\$370.00
WOW Ticket Sales	\$1,490.00
March Gun Show Ticket Sales	\$1,600.00
Ticket Sales - Members	\$2,040.00

### Winner of the 2025 Gun Raffle Nick Rensing



Nick was the lucky winner of the Kel Tech Sub 2000 riffle, and the Canik 9mm METE FX pistol. Both weapons together are valued **\$1,086**. Not a bad deal for a \$10.00 ticket. Congratulations Nick, and I hope you enjoy the weapons.





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### Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plates on the Streets As of June, 2025

As of June 30, 2025, we have 4,963 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). 467 plates were Renewed/Sold in June 2025.



### Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate Fund From 2010 to 2025



Since the introduction of the Indiana POW/MIA Specialty Plate in January 2010, the plate has generated an estimated **\$1,487,650**. 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 an 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 an 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.

### Total Accounted for in FY 2025: 165

### **Accounted For by War**

WWII (114)

Korean (44)

### Cold War (0)

### Vietnam/Laos (7)

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
PVT USMC William E. Ramboo	11-20-1943	7-13-2019		Betio Island	LaPorte
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
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

### Indiana Heroes that have been Identified

### Indiana Heroes that have been identified Continued

Name	DOL	Identified	Returned	County	HOR
PFC Leonard E. Adams	1-21-1945	7-20-2022	6-13-2023	France	Dana
2LT Gene F. Walker	11-24-1944	7-21-2023		Germany	Richmond
PFC Clossie D. Brown	1-21-1945	4-25-2024		France	Kirkin
MSG Wallace Simmons JR	12-6-1950	6-20-2024		Chosin Reservoir	Marion, CO
PVT Charles W. Smalley JR	8-25-1944	1-14-2025		France	Porter, CO
CPL Lester William Bauer	7-27-1950	3-4-2025		South Korea	Clinton County
SGT Sidney Burke	8-3-1943	4-18-2025		Burma	Crown Point

### 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 member's 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** 



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 Rocker & Eagle patches, <u>which is the property of</u> <u>National</u>. 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 member 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 lawyer 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 <u>CERTIFIED</u> or <u>PRIORITY</u> mail for tracking purposes and insure the package for <u>\$150.00</u>.

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

### POW/MIA Educational Reading And Websites

### **Recommended Books**

Author
Bill Bell
Frank Aton
Monika Jensen-Stevenson & William Stevenson
Joseph D. Douglass, Jr
Linda Cope
Bill Hendon and Elizabeth A Stewart
Captain Eugene "RED" McDaniel USN Retired
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/
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### The Coachman Restaurant and Lounge





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

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