

Flag Dedication



Tuesday Evening Flag Lowering

Major McGarvey & Captain Carlton

This evening we dedicate Flag lowering to the memory and service of Major James McGarvey and Captain James Carlton.

On April 17, 1967, Major McGarvery, a Marine A-6 Intruder Pilot and, Captain Carlton, the jet's systems operator, were assigned a night bombing mission against a well-defended target in North Vietnam. During the attack run, McGarvey's wingman reported seeing a brilliant orange flash mushrooming from McGarvey's aircraft, after which no radio contact could be established with the aircraft. Search and rescue operations were initiated and lasted ten day, with no results. Both Marines were declared Missing in Action and to this day, no remains have been recovered.

As of today, there are 1,629 families who are still looking to find their loved ones who are listed as missing or unaccounted for from just the Vietnam War...

It is not just the Marine Corps; nor Vietnam. All branches of the military remember their fallen and missing. There are many Veterans standing here today with comrades still missing in action. They have not forgotten, and neither should you!

To Major McGarvey, and Captain Carlton, we thank you for your sacrifice. To all Prisoners of War and Missing in Action –

-YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN