

Voiture 1379 Communiqué for March 2013

Comrade Voiture Militaries join me in welcoming P.G. James R. Gallup. The Voiture elected to allow him join the 40et8 and Voiture 1379. We will be looking forward to WRECKING P.G. Gallup – hopefully at the Grande Spring WRECK in April.

Currently Voiture 1379 paid up membership stands at forty four (44) with our goal for 2013 being forty six (46) so we are still in need of more P.G.s. Please be on the look out for possible new members.

Voiture 1379 Vest:

I now have the itemized cost for a vest:

\$30 for the vest

\$45 for the embroidery (40et8 logo on the back, name, POW/MIA logo)

\$6 for shipping Total comes to \$81

If the price is good for you please let me know (Size and name) and I will get it ordered for you.

POW/MIA Update - Korea

DPMO announced 18 DEC that the remains of a U.S. serviceman, missing in action from the Korean War, have been identified and will be returned to his family for burial with full military honors. Army Sgt. 1st Class Harold M. Brown, 20, of Winston-Salem, N.C., will be buried Dec. 22, in Hamptonville, N.C. In late November 1950, Brown and elements of the 31st Regimental Combat Team, known as "Task Force Faith," were advancing along the eastern banks of the Chosin Reservoir, in North Korea. After coming under attack, they began a fighting withdrawal to positions near Hagaru-ri, south of the reservoir. Brown was reported missing in action on Dec. 12, 1950. In 1953, a returning American who had been held as a prisoner of war reported that Brown had been captured by Chinese forces and died shortly thereafter as a result of exposure to the elements. His remains were not recovered by American forces at that time, nor were they repatriated by the Chinese or North Koreans in "Operation Big Switch," in 1954. Between 1991 and 1994, North Korea gave the United States 208 boxes of remains believed to contain the remains of 200-400 U.S. service members. North Korean documents, turned over with some of the boxes, indicated that some of the human remains were recovered from the area where Brown was last seen. In the identification of the remains, scientists from the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) and the Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory (AFDIL) used circumstantial evidence and forensic identification tools, such as radiograph and mitochondrial DNA-which matched Brown's aunt and cousin. Using modern technology, identifications continue to be made from remains that were previously turned over by North Korean officials. Today, more than 7,900 Americans remain unaccounted for from the Korean War.

This months Promenade will be on March 27th Post 33 Cameron, MO with dinner at 18:00 HRS. The Promenade will begin at 19:00 HRS.

Thank you for your service to Our Great Nation, your service to the American Legion, and the 40et8 through Voiture 1379. If we all work together we can and do make a difference.

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