

## **POW-MIA Report, January 2026 – Chairman, George Whitfield**

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Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency recovery team members pose for a group photo at the end of a recovery mission in Thailand, March 29, 2025. Recovery team members assisted the assigned forensic anthropologist on site with excavation, screening, and other tasks as deemed necessary in the process of recovering possible material evidence and remains. This mission is part of DPAA's initiative to recovering missing and accounted for personnel from a World War II. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Anthony Todd)



The POW/MIA Accounting Agency received possible remains of a US service member from the Vietnam War presented by the Vietnam Office for missing persons (VNOSMP) during a repatriation Ceremony at the Gia Lam airfield on Dec.13, 2025.

During the 171st repatriation ceremony held by the two countries, representatives from the Vietnam Office for Seeking Missing Persons handed over remains to the accounting agency thought to be associated with a U.S. Air Force F-105 crash site in Lao Cai Province.