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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### Unclaimed remains of 27 veterans to receive a military funeral in Fernley

(Reno & Fernley, NV) – On Friday, September 22, 2017 the remains of 27 veterans will finally receive the military burial and honor they were promised through their service in the U.S. Armed Forces. The service will be held beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Northern Nevada State Veterans Cemetery, located at 14 Veterans Way, in Fernley, Nevada. The public is invited to attend.

Staging for the escort of the veterans will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the Alamo Truck Stop, 1950 E. Greg Street, in Sparks, Nevada. The procession will include members of the Nevada Highway Patrol, Washoe County Sheriff's Office as well as police officers from the Sparks and Reno Police Departments. The procession route will head east on I-80 and go down Main Street in Fernley before arriving at the cemetery.

There are many reasons remains are "unclaimed." One may have no surviving family members or be estranged from family. Volunteers with the Nevada Veterans Coalition have been working with the "Missing in America Project" to locate, identify and then inter the unclaimed remains of American veterans. The remains of many who will be buried on Friday have been sitting on a mortuary shelf since the 1980's. This will be the fifth "Missing in America Project" burial held by the Nevada Veterans Coalition.

The names of the soldiers to be buried are as follows:

Charles Beckerman (1896-1984) served in the US Navy 1918 – 1918 WWI  
Gerald Gillingham (1900-1990) served in the US Army 1918 – 1918 WWI  
Edward Gerval (1915-1990) served in the US Navy 1945 – 1945 WWII  
Joseph Bosse (1917-1988) served in the US Army 1941 – 1945 WWII  
William Degliantoni (1919-1990) served in the US Navy 1940 – 1945 WWII  
William Guthrie (1925-1990) served in the US Navy 1943 – 1946 WWII  
Arturo Hayes (1922-1983) served in the US Marine Corp 1944 – 1946 WWII  
Webster Johnson (1911-1988) served in the US Navy 1942 – 1946 WWII  
Bernard Koolpe (1914-1988) served in the US Army 1940 – 1945 WWII  
Richard Long (1921-1988) served in the US Army 1943 – 1950 WWII  
Sterling McPherson (1921-1990) served in the US Army 1945 – 1947 WWII  
Knox Moore (1921-1989) served in the US Merchant Marines 1942 – 1945 WWII  
Eddie Robbins (1923-1988) served in the US Army 1945 – 1947 WWII

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Andrew Sealock (1920-1990) served in the US Army 1943 – 1946 WWII  
Earl Spaulding (1921-1989) served in the US Navy 1943 – 1945 WWII  
Lorenzo Thompson (1913-1988) served in the US Army 1942 – 1945 WWII  
Heinrich Ulrich Jr. (1907-1989) served in the US Navy 1943 – 1945 WWII  
James White (1915-1989) served in the US Army 1943 – 1946 WWII  
James Wilson (1920-1988) served in the US Army 1944 – 1946 WWII  
James Adams (1924-1989) served in the US Navy 1944 – 1952 WWII/Korea  
Edward Alexander (1921-1989) served in the US Navy 1941 – 1952 WWII/Korea  
Lyle LaMere (1923-1989) served in the US Air Force 1942 – 1963 WWII/Korea  
Devier Tozer (1925-1989) served in the US Navy 1943 – 1950 WWII/Korea  
Terry Fausch (1934-1983) served in the US Air Force 1951 – 1955 Korea  
Patrick Ingram (1936-1985) served in the US Army 1954 – 1957 Korea  
Charles Roe (1921-1990) served in the US Navy 1941 - 1946/1969 – 1974 WWII/Vietnam  
Ronald Bowser (1947-1984) served in the US Army 1965 – 1976 Vietnam

*About us: NDVS is a state agency with the mission of connecting Nevada's veterans, their spouses, and families to benefits, resources and programs earned through military service in the United States Armed Forces. NDVS is responsible for the administration of two State Veterans Memorial Cemeteries; one Boulder City, the other in Fernley. The agency also operates a Nevada State Veterans Home in Boulder City and is currently overseeing the construction of a new State Veterans Home in Sparks. NDVS administration and staff are dedicated in their commitment to serving "Nevada's Heroes."*

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