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DR. GEORGE J. “JAY” VEITH
ANNOUNCED AS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The National League of POW/MIA Families is pleased and proud to announce a highly qualified individual, Dr. Jay Veith, has agreed to serve as our Executive Director, principal spokesman and leader of policy and operations implementation. Since May 28, 1970, the League has sought the fullest possible accounting for our Nation’s unreturned Vietnam War Veterans, America’s POW/MIAs, seeking answers for impacted families to end their uncertainty.

Initially downplayed post-war and cast as an obstacle to normalization of relations, then President Ronald Reagan’s personal interest and commitment served as the basis for humanitarian cooperation between the two former enemies. As a result of the Reagan Administration’s step-by-step policy of humanitarian reciprocity, 1,062 American servicemen and civilians, initially listed as captured (POW), missing (MIA) or unaccounted-for (KIA/BNR), have been recovered and returned to their families and the Nation they served.

There are still 1,579 Americans listed as missing and unaccounted-for from the Vietnam War, and time is running out. All will never be recovered due to wartime circumstances, precisely the reason we have sought the “fullest possible accounting” from inception. We are honored and grateful that this recognized expert on the Vietnam War, successful author, lecturer and skilled analyst, has agreed to represent the POW/MIA families now, before it is too late! The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), has stated publicly that accounting for our Vietnam War missing is its highest operational priority. DPAA is ably assisted by the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) team of highly trained specialists, known as Stony Beach, focused solely on Vietnam War accounting. Let’s do it!


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