

## Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution was Proud to Honor this American Hero with the North Texas Patriot Guard Riders



Bobby Ray King went to war more than 60 years ago and never came home.

His parents and immediate relatives died without knowing what happened to the 19-year-old with the gap-toothed grin, and King became a footnote in family history.

But the military didn't forget.

"You don't leave a fallen American behind," according to the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command's website. "The families deserve an answer."

King's surviving family members got theirs a few weeks ago when they were notified that the Korean War veteran had been buried in an anonymous grave in Hawaii for decades.

Now, his niece, a great-niece and a handful of distant relatives await his return home, where he will be reburied at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery with full military honors.

"What the Army has done is just amazing," said Danna Yeates, King's great-niece.

She never met King, and her mother was only 2 when he was killed in 1950, but Yeates said tears welled up in family members' eyes when they were presented with King's Purple Heart medal.

## ON THIS VERY SPECIAL DAY, REMEMBERING PEARL HARBOR, DECEMBER 7, 1941,

A KIA/MIA SOLDIER FROM THE KOREAN WAR, CAME HOME TO AMERICA FOR HIS FINAL RESTING PLACE.

SGT. BOBBY RAY KING,

A UNIDENTIFIED SOLDIER, WAS BURIED IN
THE CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC, ALSO KNOWN AS "THE PUNCHBOWL".
DON AND I VISITED

THERE ON OUR LAST TRIP TO HAWAII--IN HONOLULU.

IT IS A BEAUTIFUL, VERY SERENE SETTING.

HE WAS FINALLY IDENTIFIED BY HIS CHEST X-RAY AND HIS TEETH AND WAS BROUGHT HOME FOR A PROPER MILITARY FUNERAL.

ON THIS BEAUTIFUL SUNNY DAY, THERE WERE 6 MEN IN REVOLUTIONARY WAR UNIFORMS STANDING AN HONOR GUARD FOR HIM.

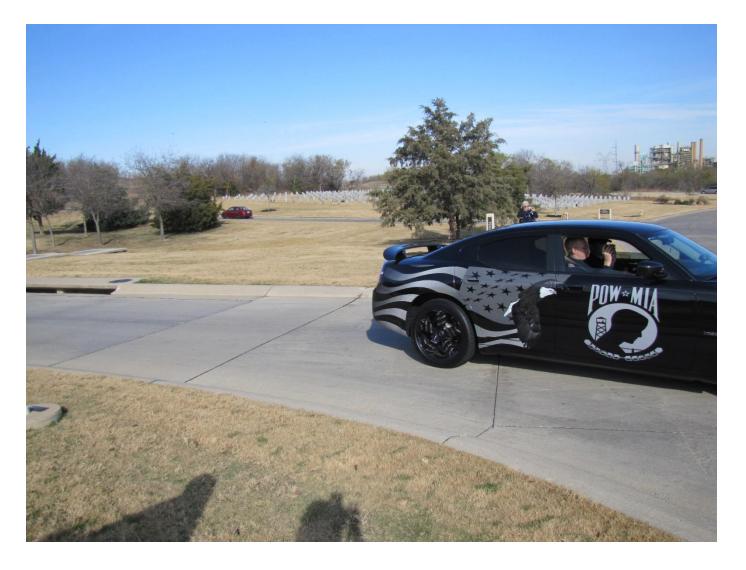
THEY WERE DAN REED, PLANO PRESIDENT SAR, BILL NEISEL, BLAIR RUDY, JAMES JEFFERSON JOHNSON, JR., DON SIELERT, AND WERE JOINED BY MONTIE MONZINGO, MEMBER OF THE EAST FORK TRINITY CHAPTER.

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TXSSAR Honor Guard

JAMES JEFFERSON JOHNSON, JR., Denton & Plano,
BILL NEISEL, Plano, DON SIELERT, Plano, BLAIR RUDY, Plano,
MONTIE MONZINGO, East Fork Trinity & DAN REED, Plano President



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