

## POW/MIA Poster En Route to Troops, Families, Vets Groups

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WASHINGTON, July 2, 2001 -- Veterans, ex-POWs, MIA family members and active duty military people have created a poster for National POW/MIA Recognition Day on Sept. 21, 2001, that officials tout as "bigger and better" than last year's.

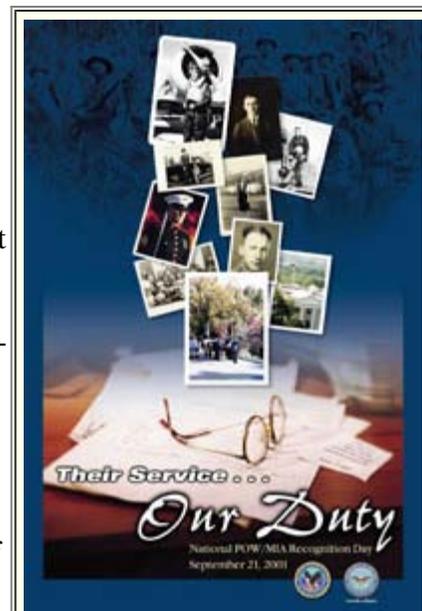
Starting in mid-July, DoD will send the poster, with the theme "Their Service - Our Duty" to military units worldwide, including ships at sea. The POW/Missing Personnel Office will also distribute the poster to veteran's and family organizations.

"All military units around the world will have the poster in plenty of time to use it for National POW/MIA Recognition Day," said Larry Greer, public affairs officer for the POW/Missing Personnel Office. "People can also download it from the Internet. This is the second year we've made the poster available in a lot of different sizes. People can download small or large sizes and print it in color or black and white. They can use it in their POW/MIA Recognition Day programs, reprint it -- do whatever they want to with it."

The DPMO Web site - at <http://www.dtic.mil/dpmo/powday/index.htm> - receives as many as 152,000 hits per week from people requesting documents. "We've found that interest in our Web site picks up right before National POW/MIA Recognition Day," Greer said.

The poster was unveiled during the National League of Families annual convention in Washington June 21. "The families really spoke highly of the poster and we're getting very good feedback from a lot of people," Greer said. "We printed about 150,000 posters this year as compared to about 130,000 last year."

He said the picture arrangement on the poster shows the service members who went off to war and made their sacrifices for our country. "Now we must continue to do our duty to achieve the fullest possible accounting of those who never returned," Greer said.



The 2001 POW/MIA  
Recognition Day Poster  
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