



LAVERNE L. SMART
Private, United States Army

PERSONAL INFORMATION: Private (Pvt) Laverne Smart, service number 16041672, entered the service from Michigan. He served with Company B of the 31st Infantry Regiment in the Philippines in World War II. With the surrender of U.S. forces, Pvt Smart became a prisoner of the Japanese, and he died in Cabanatuan POW Camp on 25 July 1942. Camp records associate his burial with Common Grave 214. After the war, remains of American prisoners from Cabanatuan were recovered by U.S. forces, but complications in the burial and recovery processes prevented identification of many individuals, including Pvt Smart. For his service he received a Silver Star, a Bronze Star, and a Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, and he is memorialized on the Walls of the Missing at Manila American Cemetery and Memorial, in the Philippines.¹ Details of this loss are recorded in the Philippine Archive Collection at the U.S. National Archives, in his Individual Deceased Personnel File (IDPF), and in the historical report “U.S. Casualties and Burials at Cabanatuan POW Camp #1,” included with this case summary.²

| Individuals Recorded as Buried in Grave 214, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery | | | | |
|--|----------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Name | Service Number | Rank | Unit | Status |
| Abbott, Howard | 17027434 | Pfc | 31 Infantry Regt | Resolved |
| Buckley, John D. | 7071003 | Tec 4 | 14 Bomb Sq | Resolved |
| Connor, Robert M. | 272424 | Cpl | 4 Marine Regt | Resolved |
| Dawson, Kenneth L. | 15016380 | Tec 5 | 17 Ordnance Co | Resolved |
| Dewey, Leland K. | O-216507 | Maj | Manila Harbor Defense | Remains Unidentified |
| Eesley, Lyle | 35001528 | Tec 5 | 192 Tank Bn | Resolved |
| Eldridge, P.Z. | 14012433 | Pfc | 192 Tank Bn | Resolved |
| Feltner, Robert A. | 6894913 | Tec 4 | 27 Material Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Harfman, Howard J. | 6899825 | Tec 5 | 93 Bomb Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Hernandez, Lorenzo | 20843330 | Pfc | 200 Coast Artillery Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Hlivjak, Frank, | 19051708 | Cpl | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Holcomb, James E. | 6969499 | S Sgt | 48 Material Sq | Resolved |
| Jackson, Paul W. | 6558121 | Tec 5 | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Kiewel, Douglas F. | 17011028 | Tec 5 | 34 Pursuit Sq | Resolved |
| King, Harold E. | 6860584 | S Sgt | 21 Pursuit Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| LaRue, Richard F. | 11014622 | Pfc | 24 Pursuit Gp | Remains Unidentified |
| Lundgren, Victor C., | 275604 | Pfc | U.S. Marine Corps | Resolved |
| Maidhoff, Daniel A. | 12027965 | Pvt | Signal Air Warning Co | Remains Unidentified |
| Masters, Ray E. | 36115744 | Pvt | 803 Engineer Bn | Resolved |
| McCool, Parker | 20843970 | Tec 4 | 200 Coast Artillery Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Muse, John W. | O-413483 | 2d Lt | 2 Observation Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Porter, John E. | 6274789 | Pfc | 27 Material Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Potts, Boyd C. | 19052724 | Pvt | Chemical Warfare Serv | Resolved |
| Powell, Edison L. | 12011162 | Pvt | V Interceptor Command | Remains Unidentified |
| Roland, Leo L. | 11020452 | Pvt | 17 Pursuit Sq | Resolved |
| Smart, Laverne L. | 16041672 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Smith, Raymond E. | 11017303 | Tec 5 | 16 Bomb Sq | Remains Unidentified |

¹ See the entries for Pvt Smart at the American Battle Monuments Commission: <https://www.abmc.gov/database-search/>; and the National Archives and Records Administration’s online database: <https://aad.archives.gov/aad/>.

² Individual Deceased Personnel File (IDPF) for Smart, Laverne L., Pvt, 16041672, Record Group (RG) 92: Records of the Office of the Quartermaster General, National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, MO.

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| Sterken, Gerald J. | 20645307 | Tec 4 | 192 Tank Bn | Remains Unidentified |
| Taylor, Leonard W. | 18036363 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Viano, Glen A. | 6915643 | Tec 5 | 93 Bomb Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Walden, Graham D. | 11020272 | Cpl | 17 Pursuit Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Watson, Clarence A. | 18063146 | Pfc | Quartermaster Corps | Remains Unidentified |
| Wilson, Knight H. | 15064981 | Pvt | 21 Pursuit Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Ziolkowski, Stephen | 6912855 | Sgt | 17 Pursuit Sq | Remains Unidentified |

| Remains Currently Buried as “Unknowns” with Associations to Grave 214, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery | | | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Current Name | Former Name #1 | Former Name #2 | Current Burial Location, MACM* |
| X-2280 (Manila #2) | X-2871 (Mausoleum) | C-1447 (Cabanatuan) | Plot L, Row 14, Grave 24 |
| X-2806 (Manila #2) | X-2697 (Mausoleum) | C-1433 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 15, Grave 101 |
| X-2807 (Manila #2) | X-2680 (Mausoleum) | C-1434 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 4, Grave 181 |
| X-2809 (Manila #2) | X-2739 (Mausoleum) | C-1436 (Cabanatuan) | Plot H, Row 15, Grave 137 |
| X-2811 (Manila #2) | X-2741 (Mausoleum) | C-1438 (Cabanatuan) | Plot L, Row 13, Grave 117 |
| X-2812 (Manila #2) | X-2742 (Mausoleum) | C-1439 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 16, Grave 169 |
| X-2813 (Manila #2) | X-2743 (Mausoleum) | C-1440 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 6, Grave 177 |
| X-2814 (Manila #2) | X-2744 (Mausoleum) | C-1441 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 14, Grave 121 |
| X-2815 (Manila #2) | X-2745 (Mausoleum) | C-1442 (Cabanatuan) | Plot L, Row 14, Grave 117 |
| X-2816 (Manila #2) | X-2746 (Mausoleum) | C-1443 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 3, Grave 68 |
| X-2818 (Manila #2) | X-2748 (Mausoleum) | C-1445 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 11, Grave 197 |
| X-2819 (Manila #2) | X-2719 (Mausoleum) | C-1446 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 17, Grave 204 |
| X-2821 (Manila #2) | X-2720 (Mausoleum) | C-1448 (Cabanatuan) | Plot L, Row 2, Grave 117 |
| X-2822 (Manila #2) | X-2721 (Mausoleum) | C-1449 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 6, Grave 42 |
| X-2823 (Manila #2) | X-2722 (Mausoleum) | C-1450 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 3, Grave 88 |
| X-2866 (Manila #2) | X-2768 (Mausoleum) | C-1500 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 10, Grave 168 |
| X-2867 (Manila #2) | X-2769 (Mausoleum) | C-1501 (Cabanatuan) | Plot L, Row 16, Grave 117 |
| X-2868 (Manila #2) | X-2770 (Mausoleum) | C-1502 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 12, Grave 97 |
| X-2869 (Manila #2) | X-2771 (Mausoleum) | C-1503 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 16, Grave 22 |
| X-2870 (Manila #2) | X-2752 (Mausoleum) | C-1504 (Cabanatuan) | Plot L, Row 4, Grave 70 |
| X-2871 (Manila #2) | X-2753 (Mausoleum) | C-1505 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 11, Grave 88 |
| X-2872 (Manila #2) | X-2754 (Mausoleum) | C-1506 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 11, Grave 35 |

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CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS: The 31st Infantry Regiment was part of the regular U.S. Army’s presence in the Commonwealth of the Philippines prior to World War II. Along with the Philippine Scouts’ 45th and 57th Infantry Regiments, the 26th Cavalry Regiment, the 23rd and 24th Field Artillery Regiments, detachments of the 12th Medical Regiment, and C Company, 14th Engineers, it served as part of the Philippine Division.³

When Japanese aircraft attacked Pearl Harbor at 2:00 a.m. on 8 December (Manila time), elements of the the 31st Infantry Regiment were stationed east of Nichols Field, near Manila, on the island of Luzon (Figure 1). The 2nd and 3rd Battalions then took up defensive positions around Nichols Field, which began experiencing regular Japanese air raids the following day.

Japanese forces began a full-scale invasion of Luzon on 22 December (Figure 2). In response, General Douglas MacArthur, commander of U.S. Army Forces in the Far East (USAFFE), ordered a withdrawal to the Bataan peninsula to hold out for reinforcement. Elements of the

³ “The Operations and Movements of the 31st Infantry Regiment (Personal Experience of a Regimental S-4),” Advanced Infantry Officers Course, Fort Benning, Georgia, <http://battlingbastardsbataan.com/31stbataan.pdf>.

31st Infantry were already taking up positions on the peninsula, arriving in mid-December. After assisting with bridge demolition, the regiment by 4 January 1942 was positioned on Bataan as part of the holding action. Unfortunately, in the wake of the Pearl Harbor attack and other Japanese advances throughout the Pacific, no reinforcements were forthcoming.



Figure 1. Map of the northern Philippines depicting major air installations on Luzon, the northernmost island. Source: Wesley Craven and James Cate, eds., *The Army Air Forces in World War II: Vol. I, Plans & Early Operations, January 1939 to August 1942* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1948).



Figure 2. Japanese invasion of Luzon, December 1941.
Source: U.S. Army Campaigns in World War II: Philippine Islands,
<http://www.history.army.mil/brochures/pi/PI.htm>.

The 31st Infantry Regiment was at the forefront of combat on Bataan in January, helping to form the right flank of USAFFE’s main line of resistance. During this period, Pvt Smart received shrapnel wounds to his abdomen, both arms, and back. In early February, the 31st Regiment, having suffered considerable losses, withdrew southward on Bataan, after which it reorganized and trained during a pause in the Japanese advance.⁴

⁴ “Data on Remains Not Yet Recovered or Identified,” undated, IDPF for Smart, Laverne L.

Due to shortages in food and medical supplies, disease continued to sap USAFFE's strength even in the absence of fighting. The sick, starving troops then struggled to hold out against a renewed Japanese assault in the first week of April 1942. Finally, on 9 April 1942, USAFFE troops on Bataan surrendered to the Japanese, and the majority of them were subjected to the sixty-five-mile "Bataan Death March" into captivity (Figure 3). Corregidor and the other islands in Manila Bay held out nearly another month, but finally surrendered on 6 May 1942. By late summer 1942, most of the prisoners from Bataan, including Pvt Laverne Smart, joined those from Corregidor at Camp Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija Province (Figures 4 & 5).⁵

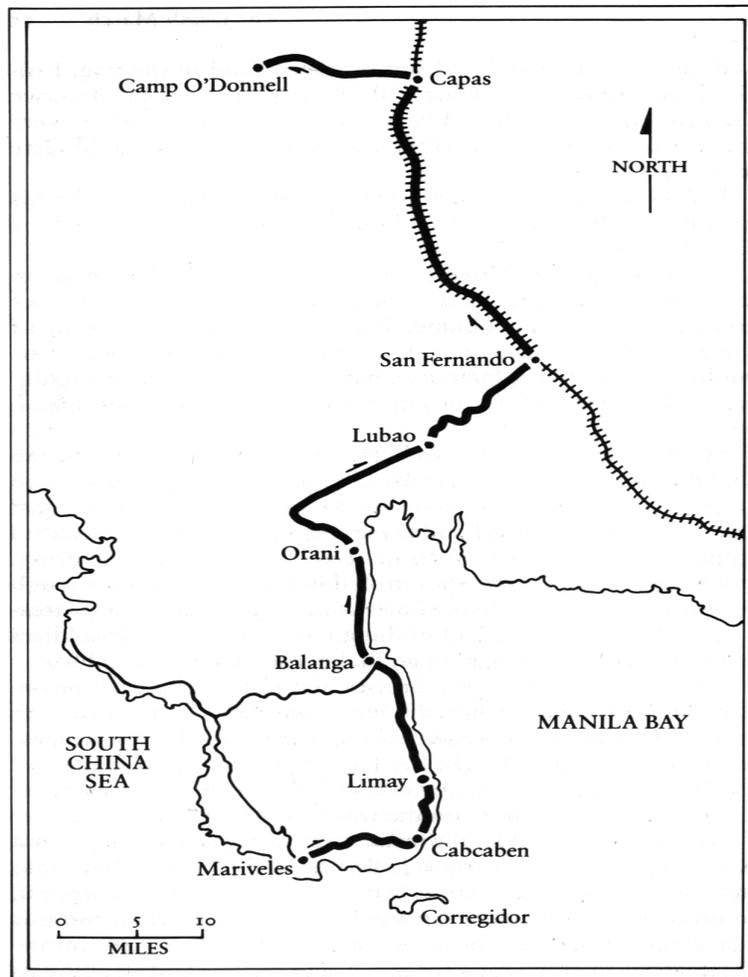


Figure 3. The route of the Bataan Death March. Source: Manny Lawton, *Some Survived* (Chapel Hill: Algonquin Books, 1984), 184.

⁵ Additional details of the captivity experience, including conditions at Camp Cabanatuan, can be found in E. Bartlett Kerr, *Surrender and Survival: The Experience of American POWs in the Pacific, 1941-1945* (New York, 1985), and the attached historical report, "U.S. Casualties and Burials at Cabanatuan POW Camp #1."



Figure 4. Wartime photograph of Cabanatuan Prison. Caption reads: “Barracks and garden and Jim Neary, West Pointer, since sent to Japan [1945]. In garden are growing okra, eggplant, and pigweed, all grown and devoured by prisoners. Neary is beside a surface water well. Pix taken in 1942.” Source: Photo 265430, Record Group SC-111, National Archives, College Park, MD.



Figure 5. Wartime photograph of Cabanatuan prison. Caption reads: “Unidentified GI chops wood for the kitchen run by Sgt Grossman. That’s it in the background. Taken in 1943. It was called Major Fitch’s kitchen. A Jap guard was 20 feet behind the camera.” Source: Photo 265431, Record Group SC-111, National Archives, College Park, MD.

Due to poor living conditions and a lack of food and supplies, disease was rampant in Camp Cabanatuan, and there was little potential for medical treatment. Camp records indicate that Pvt Smart was admitted to the Cabanatuan camp hospital on 10 June 1942 while suffering from malaria. He succumbed to his illness at approximately 1:30 a.m. on 25 July 1942. Camp burial procedures at the time would have been to place all individuals who died between noon on 24 July and noon on 25 July in a common grave. The guards at the time prohibited prisoners from labeling graves, and only after November 1942 did prisoners attempt to reconstruct burial records from the earliest months in the camp. It later became clear that burial practices were not always followed with regard to groupings of remains.⁶

SEARCH AND RECOVERY: The American Graves Registration Service (AGRS), U.S. Army Quartermaster Corps, was the organization charged with recovering and identifying fallen U.S. personnel in the Pacific Theater after World War II. The 111th Quartermaster Graves Registration Platoon began exhuming the Cabanatuan Camp #1 Cemetery from December 1945 through March 1946. Teams returned in 1947 and 1948 to recover additional remains. A further search for remains was conducted again in 1951, at which time it was discovered that the area formerly occupied by the Camp Cabanatuan Cemetery had been turned into a rice paddy and flooded with water.⁷

In its exhumation of what it labeled Common Grave 214 (Figure 6), the AGRS recovered what it believed to be thirty-four sets of remains. The team made graveside identifications for nine individuals: Private First Class (Pfc) Howard Abbott, Technician Fifth Class (Tec 5) Kenneth Dawson, Tec 5 Lyle Eesley, Pfc P.Z. Eldridge, Staff Sergeant (S Sgt) James Holcomb, Tec 5 Douglas Kiewel, Pvt Ray Masters, Pvt Boyd Potts, and Pvt Leo Roland.⁸ The other twenty-five sets of remains were, as yet, unidentified.

Thousands of unidentified remains were collected in the effort to recover the American dead from World War II. For individuals not recovered, investigators compared physical identification features and circumstantial information regarding the approximate time and location of each loss with unidentified remains collected. These unidentified remains, often consisting of only partial bodies or skeletons, were labeled with their cemetery name, an “X,” and a number. These are commonly referred to as “X-files.” Many of the remains were positively identified, usually through dental records. Others remained unknown despite diligent efforts to make identifications. In the case of Grave 214, unknown remains were designated as Manila #2 X-2280, X-2806 through X-2823, and X-2866 through X-2872.⁹

⁶ “Roster of Patients, Alphabetically Arranged, Box 161, Entry 1071, Philippine Archives Collection, Record Group 407: Records of the Adjutant General; and “Chronological Listing of Deceased by Accountable Burial Period and Grave,” GRS Pacific (Cabanatuan), Entry 1894A: General Correspondence, Misc. File, 1939-54, RG 92, National Archives, College Park, MD. More details on conditions at Camp Cabanatuan, including burial practices, are available in the attached historical report, “U.S. Casualties and Burials at Cabanatuan POW Camp #1.”

⁷ Additional information on the camp cemetery and recovery operations is available in the historical report “U.S. Casualties and Burials at Cabanatuan POW Camp #1.”

⁸ “The Following Cases Are Those Disinterred From a Common Grave,” 10 July 1948, IDPF for Buckley, John D.

⁹ **NOTE:** Although renamed again at the Manila Mausoleum, and having been previously labeled with Cabanatuan “C” numbers, they exist today in folders under their Manila #2 numbers.



Figure 6. Map of Cabanatuan Cemetery, with graves 214, 226, 314, and 1017 circled in green. Source: "Report on POW Interments and Restoration of Graves," 30 August 1945, File "GRS Pacific [Cabanatuan] Chronological Listing of Graves, file B," Box 619, Entry 1894A, Record Group 92: Records of the Office of the Quartermaster General, National Archives, College Park, MD.

In its investigation of July 1942 burials, the AGRS came across multiple inconsistencies in the records. For example, the AGRS determined that Cpl Carlton Melton and Cpl Charles Erbig, who died in the same 24-hour period as Pvt Smart, were recovered from Grave 226, buried the following day. The AGRS also considered the possibility that discrepancies may have occurred

with Grave 314, buried the day before Grave 214, and Grave 1017, buried 22-23 July (see Appendix).¹⁰

Following dental and forensic analysis of the remains, in June 1949 an AGRS Board of Review recommended that an additional seven individuals from Grave 214 receive identifications. These seven were Technician Fourth Class (Tec 4) John Buckley, Cpl Robert Connor, Major (Maj) Leland Dewey, Pfc Lorenzo Hernandez, S Sgt Harold King, Pfc Victor Lundgren, and Pvt Laverne Smart. The dental records for these seven individuals were generally favorable with some of the dentition of remains found in Grave 214.¹¹ Few remains found at Cabanatuan had complete sets of teeth, so exact dental matches were impossible to achieve; generally favorable matches were all that could be possible under the circumstances.

However, the recommendation for all seven to be identified was rejected. The Memorial Division of the Office of the Quartermaster General (OQMG) requested that an anthropologist confirm that the segregation of bones into distinct individuals was done correctly. The rejection also noted that the precise number of individuals believed placed in Grave 214 during the “accountable burial period” was uncertain. Because of this, the Memorial Division decided that the roster of burial times and dates contained potential inaccuracies and should not be used as proof of identity.¹²

An anthropologist reviewed the remains, and in early 1950 the AGRS Mausoleum produced tighter arguments for why Tec 4 Buckley, Cpl Connor, and Pfc Lundgren ought to be associated with certain remains from Grave 214. The recommendations for the identification of these three individuals were approved.¹³ The recommendations for the identification of Maj Dewey, Pfc Hernandez, S Sgt King, and Pvt Smart, however, were again rejected. The OQMG noted that the record of Cabanatuan burials, although a useful tool, had been proven to contain errors.¹⁴ By the conclusion of the AGRS analysis, there were twenty-two missing individuals believed associated with Grave 214, and twenty-two unidentified sets of remains from that grave.

With no further leads to pursue, and no clear way ahead to identify Pvt Smart among all the collections of remains, the AGRS recommended on 22 March 1950 that his remains be declared non-recoverable. The OQMG approved this recommendation on 28 April 1950.¹⁵

¹⁰ “Chronological Listing of Deceased by Accountable Burial Period and Grave,” GRS Pacific File, Entry 1894A, RG 92, National Archives, College Park, MD.

¹¹ “Identification of World War II Deceased,” 7 September 1949, IDPF for Smart, Laverne L.; and “Statement,” 7 December 1949, IDPF for Connor, Robert M.

¹² “Identification of World War II Deceased,” 7 September 1949, IDPF for Smart, Laverne L.

¹³ “Case History For Declaring Remains Identifiable,” 5 January 1950, IDPF for Buckley, John D.; “Identification of World War II Deceased,” 24 February 1950, IDPF for Smart, Laverne L.

¹⁴ “Identification of World War II Deceased,” 24 February 1950, IDPF for Smart, Laverne L.

¹⁵ “Case History for Remains Considered Non-Recoverable,” 22 March 1950, and “Non-Recoverable Case Record of Review and Approval,” 28 April 1950, IDPF for Smart, Laverne L.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS: In August 2014, after the Department of Defense determined there was sufficient scientific and historical evidence to support disinterment for identification purposes, ten unknowns associated with one of the Cabanatuan common graves were disinterred for forensic analysis. These disinterred remains were not from the same common grave as Pvt Smart. Following disinterment, these remains were taken to the Central Identification Laboratory (CIL) in Hawaii, and DNA samples were taken for analysis by the Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory (AFDIL), in Delaware.¹⁶ As a result of DNA and other scientific testing, multiple sets of remains have been identified. Additional identifications are expected.

Osteological (dental) and DNA analysis revealed that the remains disinterred in 2014 were commingled and required extensive segregation into discrete individual sets. As such, this disinterment of unknowns associated with a single Cabanatuan common grave showed that the unidentified remains from this grave—and likely other Cabanatuan graves as well—will require meticulous analysis and testing to effect individual identifications.

NEXT STEPS: The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency has an ongoing project to assess historical evidence concerning Cabanatuan POW cases. This long-term project aims to account for the missing through a comprehensive review of all files, including unknown files (X-files), as well as the collection of genealogical data and Family Reference Samples (FRSs) from viable donors. The project disinters remains associated with one Cabanatuan common grave at a time, allowing for inconsistencies that sometimes require multiple graves or additional individuals to be included. Such inconsistencies were common in mid-1942 burials.

Currently, DPAA must have 60% of DNA FRSs on file for all individuals, both missing and resolved, from a grave before either the Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (P&R), or the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs (M&RA) will consider approving a disinterment request. For Grave 214 alone, the requirement would be FRSs for 20 of 33 individuals. However, the demonstrated discrepancies across Graves 214, 226, 314, and 1017 make it likely that a proposal would have to include all 100 associated individuals, with 60 FRSs required. Once FRS requirements have been met, DPAA will draft a disinterment proposal for routing to the decision authority.¹⁷

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¹⁶ **NOTE:** At the time of this exhumation, the Central Identification Laboratory (CIL) was part of the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC), based in Hawaii. In January 2015, three elements of the Accounting Community – JPAC, Defense POW/Missing Personnel Office (DPMO), and Life Science Equipment Laboratory (LSEL) – combined to become one agency, the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA).

¹⁷ As of 10 September 2019, the Defense Department has FRSs for 56 of 100 associated individuals.

APPENDIX

| Individuals Recorded as Buried in Grave 226, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Name | Service Number | Rank | Unit | Status |
| Carpenter, Alva J. | 19017736 | Pvt | 698 Ordnance Co | Remains Unidentified |
| Deutsch, Robert | 12027900 | Pvt | U.S. Army | Resolved |
| Erbig, Charles A. | 11011356 | Cpl | HQ Sq FEAF | Resolved |
| Finley, Leslie H. | 19056399 | Cpl | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Finnegan, James J. | 32044411 | Tec 5 | U.S. Army | Resolved |
| Grant, Vaughn P. | 11030584 | Pvt | 4 Chemical Sv Co | Remains Unidentified |
| Hamann, Gerald W. | 6983536 | Cpl | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| MacGowan, Richard A. | O-359912 | Capt | 698 Ordnance Co | Remains Unidentified |
| Melton, Carlton B. | 6394149 | Cpl | U.S. Army Air Forces | Resolved |
| Merritt, Carl E. | 33013392 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Resolved |
| Miner, Perry E. | 19018950 | Pvt | 7 Materiel Sq | Resolved |
| Murray, Richard R. | 39602371 | Pvt | 409 Signal Co | Remains Unidentified |
| Muse, John W. | O-413483 | 2d Lt | 2 Observation Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Redcay, Raymond | 17019517 | Pfc | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Rodgers, John S. | 6352921 | Cpl | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Rosberg, Nils H. | 6564120 | S Sgt | U.S. Army Air Forces | Resolved |
| Senz, Louis M. | 19012429 | Pfc | HQ Sq 19 Bomb Gp | Remains Unidentified |
| Sinkule, Howard A. | 7022852 | Pvt | U.S. Army Air Forces | Resolved |
| Slayton, Harold K. | 6273726 | Sgt | 7 Materiel Sq | Resolved |
| Smalley, Vernon C. | 17014184 | Pfc | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Stephenson, Walter L. | 15065643 | Pvt | U.S. Army | Resolved |
| Taylor, William M. | 20843981 | Pfc | 200 Coast Artillery Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Tubbs, Jesse E. | 20645223 | S Sgt | 192 Tank Bn | Resolved |
| Wampler, Donald L. | 7025239 | Sgt | 429 Signal Co | Remains Unidentified |
| Watson, Francis L. | 13029093 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Wilson, Max | 19051655 | Pvt | 21 Pursuit Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Yocky, Arthur N. | 39160664 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Resolved |

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| X-2936 (Manila #2) | X-2806 (Mausoleum) | C-1514 (Cabanatuan) | Plot H, Row 16, Grave 133 |
| X-2937 (Manila #2) | X-2807 (Mausoleum) | C-1515 (Cabanatuan) | Plot C, Row 9, Grave 62 |
| X-2938 (Manila #2) | X-2808 (Mausoleum) | C-1516 (Cabanatuan) | Plot H, Row 1, Grave 133 |
| X-2939 (Manila #2) | X-2809 (Mausoleum) | C-1517 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 15, Grave 34 |
| X-2940 (Manila #2) | X-2810 (Mausoleum) | C-1518 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 2, Grave 43 |
| X-2941 (Manila #2) | X-2811 (Mausoleum) | C-1519 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 16, Grave 157 |
| X-2942 (Manila #2) | X-2812 (Mausoleum) | C-1520 (Cabanatuan) | Plot H, Row 14, Grave 146 |
| X-2943 (Manila #2) | X-2793 (Mausoleum) | C-1521 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 10, Grave 20 |
| X-2944 (Manila #2) | X-2794 (Mausoleum) | C-1522 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 10, Grave 35 |
| X-2945 (Manila #2) | X-2795 (Mausoleum) | C-1523 (Cabanatuan) | Plot H, Row 14, Grave 150 |
| X-2946 (Manila #2) | X-2796 (Mausoleum) | C-1524 (Cabanatuan) | Plot C, Row 12, Grave 50 |
| X-2947 (Manila #2) | X-2797 (Mausoleum) | C-1525 (Cabanatuan) | Plot F, Row 4, Grave 84 |
| X-2948 (Manila #2) | X-2798 (Mausoleum) | C-1526 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 2, Grave 72 |
| X-2949 (Manila #2) | X-2799 (Mausoleum) | C-1527 (Cabanatuan) | Plot F, Row 10, Grave 7 |
| X-4101 (Manila #2) | X-2946 (Manila #2) | | Plot C, Row 8, Grave 50 |
| X-4102 (Manila #2) | X-2937 (Manila #2) | | Plot C, Row 9, Grave 58 |

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| Individuals Associated With Grave 314, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery | | | | |
|--|----------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Name | Service Number | Rank | Unit | Status |
| Carranza, Jesus M. | 6769353 | Pfc | U.S. Army | Resolved |
| Frye, Walter A. | 18015275 | Pfc | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Gostwa, Joseph G. | 6841476 | 1 Sgt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Hasson, George | 6553515 | Sgt | 31 Infantry Regt | Resolved |
| Jackson, Alman E. | 11016594 | Tec 5 | V Interceptor Cmd | Remains Unidentified |
| Johnson, Richard H. Jr. | 15014446 | Pvt | 803 Engineer Bn | Remains Unidentified |
| Kunik, Maritn L. | 6889913 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Lahnar, Clarence E. | 17007467 | Cpl | 808 MP Co | Remains Unidentified |
| Landis, George M. | 13030359 | Pvt | HQ Sq 27 Bomb Gp | Remains Unidentified |
| Nichols, Oliver R. | 19002941 | Pfc | 93 Bomb Sq | Remains Unidentified |
| Porter, William E. | 14030912 | Pvt | 803 Engineer Bn | Remains Unidentified |
| Powless, Warren W. | 16008591 | Pfc | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Rayburn, John L. | 6801756 | Pfc | HQ Sq 24 Pursuit Gp | Remains Unidentified |
| Sherman, Glen N. | 6729226 | Sgt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Sodd, Stephen | 17025232 | Pfc | 2 Observation Sq | Resolved |
| Ticken, Herbert J. | 38030526 | Pfc | 200 Coast Artillery Regt | Resolved |
| Vaughn, Ralph G. | 19056529 | Sgt | 680 Ordnance Co | Resolved |
| Wernher, Walter A. | 6948955 | S Sgt | Finance Dept | Remains Unidentified |
| Whitmore, Llewellyn B. | 6933647 | S Sgt | 27 Materiel Sq | Resolved |
| Yarmalovicz, Tony | 6139235 | Sgt | 803 Engineer Bn | Remains Unidentified |

| Remains Currently Buried as "Unknowns" with Associations to Grave 314, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery | | | |
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| Current Name | Former Name #1 | Former Name #2 | Current Burial Location, MACM |
| X-2827 (Manila #2) | X-2726 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1454 (Cabanatuan) | Plot H, Row 7, Grave 145 |
| X-2828 (Manila #2) | X-2727 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1455 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 6, Grave 68 |
| X-2829 (Manila #2) | X-2728 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1456 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 7, Grave 15 |
| X-2830 (Manila #2) | X-2682 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1457 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 2, Grave 34 |
| X-2831 (Manila #2) | X-2683 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1458 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 15, Grave 201 |
| X-2832 (Manila #2) | X-2684 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1459 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 9, Grave 153 |
| X-2833 (Manila #2) | X-2685 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1460 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 7, Grave 64 |
| X-2834 (Manila #2) | X-2686 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1461 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 15, Grave 11 |
| X-2835 (Manila #2) | X-2687 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1462 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 4, Grave 67 |
| X-2836 (Manila #2) | X-2688 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1463 (Cabanatuan) | Plot N, Row 4, Grave 185 |
| X-2837 (Manila #2) | X-2689 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1464 (Cabanatuan) | Plot D, Row 1, Grave 121 |
| X-2838 (Manila #2) | X-2690 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1465 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 16, Grave 195 |
| X-2839 (Manila #2) | X-2691 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1466 (Cabanatuan) | Plot A, Row 6, Grave 11 |
| X-2840 (Manila #2) | X-2782 (Manila Mausoleum) | C-1467 (Cabanatuan) | Plot F, Row 13, Grave 2 |

| Individuals Recorded as Buried in Grave 1017, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery | | | | |
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| Name | Service Number | Rank | Unit | Status |
| Austin, John H. ¹⁸ | 20843566 | Cpl | 515 Coast Artillery Regt | Resolved (Grave 517) |
| Carpenter, Paul S. | 14040620 | Tec 4 | 454 Ordnance Co | Resolved |
| Carroll, Thomas R. | 6912188 | Pfc | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Cecco, Alexander | R-358283 | S Sgt | 59 Coast Artillery Regt | Resolved |
| Corcoran, Patrick F. | 19017391 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Dery, Roger C. | 20645231 | Sgt | 192 Tank Bn | Resolved |
| Fisher, Byron W. | 15066251 | Tec 5 | 21 Pursuit Sq 24 Pursuit Gp | Remains Unidentified |
| Guillen, Othon Q. | 38031223 | Pvt | 200 Coast Artillery Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Haskett, Thomas G. | 6573788 | Tec 5 | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Huchton, Robert D. | 38012038 | Pvt | 200 Coast Artillery Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Keniston, Henry S. Jr. | 11010484 | Tec 5 | 17 Bomb Sq 27 Bomb Gp | Resolved |
| Kresal, Eugene G. | 16008522 | Pfc | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Miller, Douglas W. | 20843500 | Pfc | 200 Coast Artillery Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Pierce, Ray H. | 6296107 | Pvt | 31 Infantry Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Spear, Mitchel O. | 35101390 | Pvt | 192 Tank Bn | Resolved |
| Trimble, Merlin G.** | 19010878 | Pvt | 60 Coast Artillery Regt | Remains Unidentified |
| Westcott, David R. | 11011498 | Pvt | 19 Air Base Sq 20 Air Base Gp | Resolved |
| Van Kleek, William L. | 19020972 | Pfc | 19 Bomb Gp | Resolved |
| Voorhies, Rex C. Jr. | 6570398 | Sgt | 803 Engineer Bn | Resolved |
| Wilson, John R. | 6208886 | T Sgt | 34 Pursuit Sq 24 Pursuit Gp | Resolved |
| Yankelevitz, Harold | 13023389 | Tec 5 | 91 Bomb Sq 27 Bomb Gp | Remains Unidentified |

** Pvt Trimble's name is frequently misspelled in camp records as "Tremble."

| Remains Currently Buried as "Unknowns" with Associations to Grave 1017, Cabanatuan POW Cemetery | | | |
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| Current Name | Former Name #1 | Former Name #2 | MACM Burial Location |
| X-2137 Manila #2 | X-4307 Manila Mausoleum | C-1005 Cabanatuan | Plot N, Row 12, Grave 181 |
| X-2150 Manila #2 | X-2977 Manila Mausoleum | C-899 Cabanatuan | Plot A, Row 3, Grave 202 |
| X-2151 Manila #2 | X-2978 Manila Mausoleum | C-898 Cabanatuan | Plot D, Row 16, Grave 78 |
| X-2152 Manila #2 | X-2979-B Manila Mausoleum | C-897 Cabanatuan | Plot L, Row 3, Grave 57 |
| X-2153 Manila #2 | X-2980 Manila Mausoleum | C-896 Cabanatuan | Plot D, Row 1, Grave 43 |
| X-2154 Manila #2 | X-2981 Manila Mausoleum | C-894 Cabanatuan | Plot D, Row 3, Grave 24 |
| X-2205 Manila #2 | X-4308 Manila Mausoleum | C-900 Cabanatuan | Plot N, Row 2, Grave 151 |
| X-2206 Manila #2 | X-4309 Manila Mausoleum | C-1000 Cabanatuan | Plot D, Row 10, Grave 5 |
| X-2207 Manila #2 | X-4310 Manila Mausoleum | C-1001 Cabanatuan | Plot N, Row 7, Grave 197 |
| X-2208 Manila #2 | X-4511 Manila Mausoleum | C-1002 Cabanatuan | Plot N, Row 18, Grave 164 |
| X-2209 Manila #2 | X-4312 Manila Mausoleum | C-1003 Cabanatuan | Plot N, Row 14, Grave 191 |
| X-2210 Manila #2 | X-4313 Manila Mausoleum | C-1004 Cabanatuan | Plot N, Row 11, Grave 175 |

¹⁸ Corporal John Austin, serial number 20843566, is recorded as having died at 0800 on 23 July. Inexplicably, his remains were identified from Common Grave 517, the rest of whose burials occurred on 12 October 1942.