

Save the date of 1 October for a big event to be held at the Columbia Club. This will be a joint effort by the Columbian Veterans Association and the WW Memorial Foundation to honor and recognize the Indiana MIAs from the Korean War. Indiana has 191 service men in this group. They have disappeared in time and in most cases forgotten because few bodies have been recovered and returned to Indiana. The US Government recently announced that they are terminating the effort to find and return the MIAs. We believe that is a great disservice to the US Military man that his service goes unrecognized. Our event will focus on raising money to recognize this group by installing engraved bricks in the Circle in Indianapolis in a designated area devoted to the service of this group. The bricks will contain the name, branch of service and date of birth and going into the MIA category. Our speaker at this elaborate banquet is Former AF Chief of /Staff and one of the most respected of all Military Retirees and a familiar name in Military service, Gen. Ron Fogleman. Ron was shot down in the Mekong Delta in Vietnam and just before capture by the Vietcong was able to hang on to the skids of a Cobra Helicopter and be carried 20 miles while taking fire from the ground to be saved from capture or death. In the past, Ron has served as the first non-employee starter of the 500 race and was Grand Marshall of the 500 parade. He has served on the board of Rolls Royce engine company and AAR airframe rebuilding company at the end of Indianapolis Airport. This will be a big event with press coverage and provide some well-deserved recognition for this forgotten group. We need over 200 to come to our event at the 10th floor ball room of the Columbia Club.