Mission Background

Cecil Field POW/MIA Memorial, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to establish a national memorial that will serve as a historic and key destination site for the nation. Prosser, Inc. has created a site design for the National POW/MIA Memorial & Museum complex. Their innovative design will incorporate the more than 80,000 service members still listed as missing and unaccounted for since December 7th, 1941.

The memorial site, located at the former Naval Air Station Cecil Field, was originally dedicated on September 11, 1973 and consisted of markers and associated trees for each of the 16 POW/MIA pilots (Hero’s Walk and Freedom Trees) stationed at Cecil, a pavilion, a stage area, a starburst metal display of aircraft, a granite base seal of NAS Cecil Field and a chapel (Chapel of the High-Speed Pass).

This property was given to the City of Jacksonville when Cecil Field was decommissioned in 1999 and the existing memorial forgotten. However, the non-profit organization was given a lease by the Jacksonville City Council and the Mayor's office, and given the rights to develop, expand and maintain the 26-acre property. The organization has since completely refurbished the Chapel, now dedicated as "Chapel of the High-Speed Pass", and commenced construction of the five phase Memorial project.

A Few Quotes Submitted by Our National Leaders

"Your proposal to use part of the former Naval Air Station Cecil Field for a POW/MIA Memorial is a fitting location to pay tribute to this very special group. Given that Mary Hoff, the creator of the POW/MIA flag, is a long-time resident of Jacksonville, and that her husband, Lieutenant Commander Michael S. Hoff, is memorialized at Cecil Field, there could not be a more appropriate site for the POW/MIA Memorial."

U.S. Congressman
John Rutherford

"The proposal to build the Cecil Field Prisoners of War and Missing in Action Museum is a great opportunity to honor the service members who did not return home from war."

U.S. Senator
Marco Rubio

"The POW/MIA Memorial would serve to honor those who fought selflessly and tirelessly to preserve our American values and way of life. This monument would be a haven of reverence, so we may remember them and pay respects to our nation's heroes."

U.S. Representative
Al Lawson, Jr.
**MEMORIAL STRATEGIC PLAN**

With the help of the nation, Cecil Field POW/MIA Memorial, Inc. is raising funds to make this memorial a true national honor to all POW/MIA personnel from every state in America. These funds will enable the organization to accomplish the following memorial projects:

- Establish a Congressionally designated National Memorial and Museum for the more than 80,000 service members still listed as missing and unaccounted for and honor the over 45,000 members that were held as Prisoners of War.
- Maintain the Chapel of the High-Speed Pass for memorial services, ceremonies, and weddings.
- Enhance the existing sacred grounds of the original memorial park and area adjacent to the chapel.
- Educate the public on the Prisoner of War and Missing in Action issue through exhibits, videos, artifacts and memorabilia.
- Establish a new National POW/MIA Museum to honor all Former Prisoners of War, acknowledge those still Missing; feature the history of the POW/MIA flag and house the history of NAS Cecil Field - opening 2022.

It will take considerable dollars to fund this sacred project. At this point, the project will depend on contributions from private citizens. You can help this effort by making contributions online by going to our website at powmiamemorial.org or make checks payable to:

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For more details visit:
www.powmiamemorial.org

Also be sure to visit our online store at
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for great merchandise. All proceeds go toward the Cecil Field POW/MIA Memorial, Inc.

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