



# NATIONAL POW MIA RECOGNITION DAY



THIS TABLE IS RESERVED TO HONOR OUR BRAVE AND SELFLESS SERVICE MEMBERS AND CIVILIANS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN RETURNED TO US AFTER BEING TAKEN PRISONER ON FOREIGN SOIL AND FOR THOSE WHO WENT MISSING AND HAVE NOT FOUND THEIR WAY BACK HOME.

#### ROUND TABLE

Shows our everlasting concern for our missing.

#### SINGLE SETTING

Symbolizes the frailty of one prisoner alone against his or her suppressors.

#### WHITE TABLECLOTH

Represents the purity of their motives when they answered the call of duty.

#### A SINGLE ROSE

Reminds us of the life of each of the missing and the loved ones and friends who keep the faith awaiting answers and their return.

#### RED RIBBON

Reflects our never-ending commitment and determination to account for our missing.

#### LEMON SLICE

Stands for the bitter fate of those captured and missing in a foreign land.

#### SALT SPRINKLE

Represents the tears of friends and families of those who have not returned.

#### INVERTED GLASS

Means they cannot toast with us.

#### EMPTY CHAIR

Signifies they are not here.

#### BURNING CANDLE

Reminiscent of the light of hope which lives in our hearts to illuminate their way home, away from their captors, to the open arms of a grateful nation.

