



**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**  
60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREAN WAR COMMEMORATION COMMITTEE  
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**Department of Defense to Recognize Over 100 Cleveland Area Korean War Veterans**  
*Avon Lake American Legion Honors POWs and MIAs*

**WHAT:** The Department of Defense (DOD) 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee will participate in a special program to observe National POW/MIA Remembrance hosted by American Legion Post 211 in Avon Lake. Last Friday, on September 20, the nation observed National Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day to remember those who were POWs and MIAs as well as their families.

**WHO:** Army Colonel David J. Clark, Director of the Department of Defense 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee, will participate in the American Legion's observance to honor Cleveland area Korean War Veterans, and in particular, the POWs and MIAs. Clark will present the Veterans with certificates of appreciation for their service and sacrifice signed by Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta. The family members of two men who were missing in action, a Marine Private and an Army Corporal whose remains have only recently been returned home to Ohio, will be recognized and receive certificates in their honor.

The Department of Defense 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee, a three-year program authorized by Congress, is dedicated to honoring the service and sacrifices of Korean War Veterans, commemorating the key events of the war and educating the public about the historical significance of the Korean War.

**WHEN:** 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 25, 2012

**WHERE:** American Legion Post 211  
31972 Walker Road, Avon Lake

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The Department of Defense 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee, authorized in the 2011 Defense Authorization Bill, is dedicated to thanking and honoring all the Veterans of the Korean War, their families and especially those who lost loved ones in that war. Through 2013, the Committee will honor the service and sacrifice of Korean War Veterans, commemorate the key events of the war, and educate Americans of all ages about the historical significance of the Korean War. For more information, visit our website <http://koreanwar.defense.gov> or contact us at [koreanwar@conus.army.mil](mailto:koreanwar@conus.army.mil). Keep connected with the Department of Defense 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee via [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), through videos at [YouTube](#) or with photos on [Flickr](#).