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Free Connections to Resources: The National Resource Directory (NRD) gives service members, veterans, family members, and caregivers the ability to find and connect with organizations that can assist with specialized recovery, rehabilitation, and reintegration needs. The NRD is the product of a partnership with DOD, VA, and the Department of Labor. This program is meant to facilitate free connections between individuals and stringently vetted resources that provide support in many areas such as employment, education, veteran benefits, caregiver support, housing, and the Military Adaptive Sports Program. [Read more.](#)



Mental Health Care Services During Transition: The Military Health System inTransition program aids service members, veterans, and retirees — regardless of component, time served, or discharge category — to establish or transfer mental health care during times of transition. This program is a free service that is not time limited. It is staffed with qualified coaches familiar with military culture who stand ready to assist individuals to connect with the care they need. [Read more.](#)



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Claim Shark Victims: Predatory unaccredited companies referred to as “Claim Sharks” coach veterans in filing VA disability claims with promises of increasing their ratings, while charging fees and taking a portion of the veterans’ compensation. This is an illegal practice. Veterans Service Organizations like the VFW have [accredited service officers](#) who provide claims assistance to veterans free of charge, as is the law. If you or someone you know has been

charged fees for VA claims assistance, please email the [VFW](#).



MIA Update: The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced three identifications for service members who have been missing and unaccounted for from World War II and the Korean War. Returning home for burial with full military honors are:

-- **Army Air Forces 2nd Lt. Stanley J. Samoski, 22**, of Manchester, New Hampshire, served with the 334th Bombardment Squadron, 98th Bombardment Group, 9th Air Force. He was killed in action on Aug. 1, 1943. He will be buried on a date to be determined at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia.

[Read about Samoski.](#)

-- **Army Pvt. 1st Class Joseph R. Travers** was a member of Dog Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division. He was reported missing in action on April 22, 1951, and died while a prisoner of war in December 1951. Interment services are pending. [Read about Travers.](#)

-- **Army Master Sgt. Wallace Simmons Jr.** was a member of Headquarters Battery, 57th Field Artillery Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division. He was reported killed in action on Dec. 6, 1950. Interment services are pending. [Read about Simmons.](#)

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