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ODVA to Conduct Transport and Burial for Six Unaccompanied Veterans

ARDMORE, OK — The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) Cemetery Division will receive the remains of six unaccompanied veterans during a transport on Thursday, May 7, 2026. The event is part of the FOUND Project (Find Oklahoma's Unclaimed National Defenders), a program to locate and inter veterans not claimed by family or representatives.

The remains will be escorted by the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Troop F, Oklahoma Patriot Guard Riders, Combat Veterans MC (CVMA® Oklahoma Chapter 10-7), and Jamee Cassity, Director of Memorial Affairs. The remains will be transported to Seaman First Class Billy Turner Veterans Cemetery in Ardmore. A committal service with military honors will follow.

Governor Kevin Stitt will receive the ceremonial flag on behalf of the unaccompanied veterans.

The FOUND Project is a partnership between ODVA and funeral homes to identify cremated remains of veterans. Once service is verified, ODVA arranges burial through state veterans cemeteries.

The public and media are invited to attend the service at 12:30 p.m. on May 7, 2026, at Seaman First Class Billy Turner Veterans Cemetery, 1555 Myall Street, Ardmore, OK 73401.

About the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs:

The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) delivers high-quality care, benefits, and support to Oklahoma veterans and their families through programs such as State Veterans Homes, Claims & Benefits, OKVetWorks, Women Veterans, and the Veterans Registry.