

## Individual Deceased Personnel Files (IDPFs)

Individual Deceased Personnel Files (IDPFs) were created for all soldiers, regardless of branch of the military, when they were declared Missing in Action or Killed in Action. Each file is different based on the circumstances of the soldier's death. These files contain serial numbers, final rank and unit in which a soldier served, date and location of death (sometimes with circumstances of death,) sometimes handwritten letters from family, some service information, reports of interment and disinterment, and final burial information.

IDPFs, as of the date of this entry, and take on average six to twelve months to receive. These files are a collection of documents that explain the investigation of a service person's death that occurred overseas or while deployed. Investigations were carried out by the American Graves Registration Service (AGRS).