







A POW/MIA TABLE CIVIL WAR ERA MEMORIAL WREATH

This POW/MIA table is a version of one which exists in many American Legion Halls around the country. There are variations, but the sentiment is always the same. Our POW's and MIA's are unable to be with us and so we honor and remember them. The table can be square, like this one, or round - to show everlasting concern and remembrance for our missing men and women.

The table is wash and eat for one. It symbolizes the truth of one prisoner against his/her oppressors.

The tablecloth can be white symbolizing the purity of our soldiers' motives in answering the call to duty. This tablecloth is blue, a color associated with freedom, strength, loyalty and faith.

The slices of lemon remind us of the bitter fate of those captured and missing in foreign lands.

The salt symbolizes the tears shed both by families of the missing who wait answers and by those missing longing to come home.

The wine glass is inverted, to symbolize the POW's and MIA's inability to share a toast with us.

The candle reminds us of the light of home which lives in our hearts. It lights their way home, leading them from their captors and leading them into the open arms of a grateful nation.



The table as memory - only one setting.

Our only wish is that each to a room with a single set table, which reminds each of us of the life of each of the missing and the friends and loved ones of those forgotten patriots who were not back and never to be missed. The room can be just with a simple table, a wreath of our missing and substituted by letters for our missing, or a red ribbon, which helps to send the message home by those who have forgotten to remember a simple remembrance of our missing.

In 1981 of 1982 years, there is a memorial service. During this time, each year of 1981 had a special meaning, as it helps to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the Civil War. The wreath helps to send the message home that 625,000 deaths during these years, knowing all those who fought at that a few hours might matter to us today.

This wreath honors our brave soldiers, your grandpa and grandpa. The red and white symbolize liberty and justice under the stars.

The blue has long been a symbol of purity and also just as it represents the great remembrance we have for those who are not here.

"To live is to suffer - to survive is to find meaning in the suffering."

Lucia Lee Keating - Gifted! Thank You - March 2011









































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