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DOG TAG PROJECT

The mission of Pacific Wrecks **Dog Tag Project** is to return lost dog tags to veterans or their direct relatives free of charge. To date, the project has returned dozens of tags.



WHAT IS A 'DOG TAG'

A 'Dog Tag' is the nickname for a pair of metal identification tags worn by soldiers. During World War II, millions of Americans in the Army, Navy and Marine Corps were issued 'dog tags' inscribed with their name, service number, address of next of kin and religion.

LOST & FOUND

Many 'dog tags' were lost during the war years. Some were dropped accidentally in base areas. Still others are associated with soldiers who were killed in combat or are still missing.

Often, dog tags are discovered in Pacific nations, and often delivered to American embassies to be returned. Officially, the US military and government has no interest in lost dog tags, and do not accept them.

Yet, each dog tag is a unique piece of a soldier's story, forever linked to the person whose name was inscribed. Returning a dog tag to the former owner is a unique gesture that provides the opportunity to ask them about their wartime service. Returns also help to foster goodwill between Pacific countries and the United States.

TAX DEDUCTABLE NON-PROFIT

Pacific Wrecks Incorporated is a New York State Non-Profit Corporation, approved by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charity.

Pacific Wrecks was founded in 1997 by Justin Taylan, the grandson of a U.S. Army combat photographer who served in the Pacific. For the past eleven years, veterans, family members and anyone interested in this topic can freely share and access information. PacificWrecks.com receives approximately a half million unique visitors per year. The project has earned national and local news coverage regarding our projects on PBS, The History Channel, NBC News and others.

SEEKING SUPPORT

With America's veteran population aging, time is running out. We need your help as a corporate sponsor to continue this important work that honors veterans and their service to our country. Donations of any amount are tax deductible, and are accepted via check payable to "Pacific Wrecks Inc." or via paypal to info@pacificwrecks.org.