

Locating and Identifying the Remains of Missing Military Personnel

Directions: Go to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency's website at www.dpaa.mil to find information about the process of locating missing service members and identifying their remains. On the homepage select "FAQs" and "DNA" under the "Resources" tab at the top.

1. What factors are involved in determining the priority of a recovery site?
2. How many members are in a Research and Investigation Team and what is their job?
3. What is the job of investigative team?
4. What kinds of skills do members of the recovery teams have?
5. Why would the teams need such diverse skill sets?
6. How are nuclear DNA and mitochondrial DNA different?
7. Describe how nucDNA and mtDNA are transmitted through family lineage.
8. How can the family of missing service members provide DNA for testing?