

James H Pylate

He was a **Korean War Era** casualty on November 30, 1950. ★ He served with honor in the **United States Army**. ★ He is remembered by the people of **Mississippi** ★ May his positive example inspire us, as global citizens. ★ When we work together, we can help one another. America's Fallen



Korean War



US Army



Mississippi



State Flower



James H Pylate



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Mississippi

James H Pylate is among the 3,910 American Gold Star casualties recorded in our archive with close ties to Mississippi. This is a substantial number of individuals who gave their lives in service to their country.

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SERVICE OVERVIEW

Name	James H Pylate
From	Jones County, Mississippi
Death	November 30, 1950
War	Korean War
ID	14321822
Rank	Corporal
Specialty	Light Weapons Infantryman

Branch US Army
Group Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 31st Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division
MIA Status Declared Dead while Missing
Cause MIA Missing in Action Declared Dead
Location North Korea, Battle of Chosin Reservoir
Awarded ★ Purple Heart

ORIGINS



According to our records [Mississippi](#) was his home or enlistment state and [Jones County](#) included within the archival record.

SERVICE



He had enlisted in the United States Army. Served during the Korean War. Pylate had the rank of Corporal. His military occupation or specialty was Light Weapons Infantryman. Service number assignment was 14321822. Attached to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 31st Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division.

CASUALTY



During his service in the Korean War, Army Corporal Pylate was reported missing and ultimately declared dead on [November 30, 1950](#). Recorded circumstances attributed to: **MIA Missing in Action Declared Dead**. Incident location: **North Korea, Battle of Chosin Reservoir**.

DETAILS



The Battle of Chosin Reservoir, also known as the Chosin Reservoir Campaign was a decisive battle in the Korean War. On 27 November, the Chinese Army surprised UN Forces at the Chosin Reservoir area. A brutal 17-day battle in freezing weather and rough terrain soon followed. In the period between 27 November and 13 December 1950, 30,000 United Nations troops were encircled and attacked by approximately 120,000 Chinese troops.

The cold weather was accompanied by frozen ground, resulting in frostbite casualties, icy roads, and weapon malfunctions. In the end over 17,000 UN forces were killed or wounded or missing in action, or died of wounds. The Chinese suffered 3 times that amount.

REMEMBERED



James H Pylate is buried or memorialized at Courts of the Missing at the Honolulu Memorial. This is an American Battle Monuments Commission location.



James is remembered at the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington. This is a National Parks Service and American Battle Monuments Commission location.

COMMENDATIONS

- ★ Purple Heart
- ★ Combat Infantryman Badge
- ★ Marksmanship Badge
- ★ Korean Service Medal
- ★ National Defense Service Medal
- ★ Republic of Korea Presidential Citation
- ★ Republic of Korea War Service Medal
- ★ United Nations Service Medal
- ★ Army Presidential Unit Citation
- ★ Army Good Conduct Medal



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