

Governor Charles Baker has ordered that the United States of America flag and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts flag be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Friday, January 4, 2019, the day of interment, in honor of 1st Lieutenant Allen Turner -- reported missing on July 17, 1945 and officially



presumed dead on July 18, 1946 from the vicinity of Bishmaknagar Village, State of Arunachal Pradesh, Republic of India. Lieutenant Turner will be laid to rest in Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, Agawam, MA.

Airman Accounted For From World War II

By DPAA Public Affairs

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3, 2018 — Army Air Forces 1st Lt. Allen R. Turner, killed during World War II, was accounted for on Sept. 24, 2018.

On July 17, 1945, Turner, a member of the 1330 Army Air Force Base Unit, Air Transport Command, was the pilot of a C-109 aircraft, en route from Jorhat, India, to Hsinching, China, over "The Hump," when the aircraft crashed in a remote area. All four passengers were declared deceased after an extensive search effort failed to identify the crash site.

One set of remains was identified on Feb. 9, 2016 as the co-pilot, 1st Lt. Frederick W. Langhorst, 24, of Yonkers, New York. Langhorst was buried Nov. 26, 2016 in Battle Creek, Michigan. Another set of remains was identified Sept. 24, 2018 as Army Air Forces Pfc. Joseph I. Natvik.

DPAA is grateful to Clayton Kuhles and the government of India for their partnership in this mission.

Interment services are pending; more details will be released 7-10 days prior to scheduled funeral services.

Turner's name is recorded on the Walls of the Missing at the Manila American Cemetery, an American Battle Monuments Commission site in Taguig City, Philippines, along with the other MIAs from WWII. A rosette will be placed next to his name to indicate he has been accounted for.