



**I am not a robot!**

**What is the missing letter. Missing man table.**

The Missing Man Table and Honors Ceremony: A Symbolic Tribute As we gather here tonight, we take a moment to honor those who are not with us - the missing men. The table before us is set for one, symbolizing their absence from our ranks. It's a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by our armed forces. The table itself is round, signifying our eternal concern and vigilance in seeking answers about their fate.



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## America's White Table

- This table, set for one, is small, symbolizing the frailty of one prisoner, alone.
- It is set for one, symbolizing the fact that some are missing from our ranks.
- The tablecloth is white, symbolic of the purity of their intentions to respond to their country's call to arms.
- The black napkin represents the sorrow of captivity.
- The single red rose in the vase signifies the blood that many have shed to ensure the freedom of the United States of America. This rose also reminds us of the family and friends of our missing comrades who keep the faith, awaiting their return.
- The yellow ribbon on the vase represents the yellow ribbons worn on the lapels of the thousands who demand a proper accounting of our comrades who are not among us tonight.
- A slice of lemon on the plate reminds us of their bitter fate.
- The salt sprinkled on the plate reminds us of the countless fallen tears of families as they wait.
- The glass is inverted because they cannot toast with us.
- The chair is empty because they are not here.
- The candle is reminiscent of the light of hope that lives in our hearts to illuminate their way home, away from their captors, to the open arms of a grateful nation.

As we reflect on their sacrifices, we ring the bell, a solemn reminder of their absence from our midst. In this ceremony, we acknowledge the Missing Man Table as a sacred space where we can come together to pay respects to those who are no longer with us. May their memories continue to inspire us and guide us towards a brighter future.