
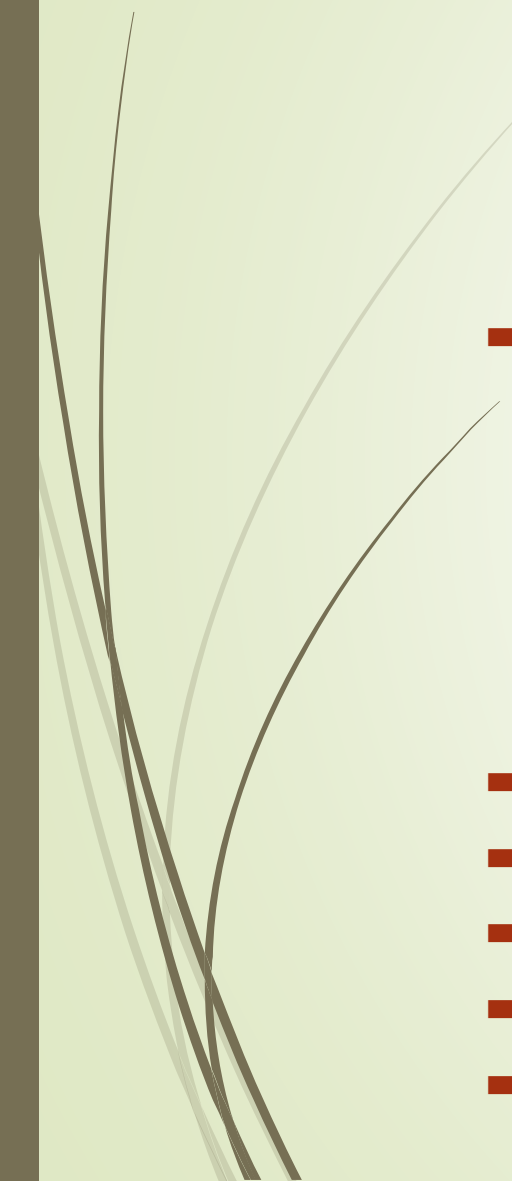


# Michigan War Dog Memorial

Update through 06/15/2016

Phil Weitlauf – President/Director MWDM



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- ▶ In the spring of 2010 we discovered an abandoned overgrown two-acre pet cemetery. We were able to form a detail of military veterans and K-9 supporters to bring this site back to its formal grandeur. We broke the site down in grids and cleared one at a time. In 2012 we renamed the site to the Michigan War Dog Memorial and received clearance to continue interments only for military dogs, police dogs and K-9's that have served and protected us. In the past eighteen months we have interred seven military dogs, four police dogs, one therapy dog and one search & rescue dog. We will give them a final resting place with full honors for their service to our country and communities.
  - ▶ Our interment procedure as follows; A full honor guard, bag piper, invocation, reading of the dogs bio, presenting a folded American flag, taps, amazing grace (bag pipes) and a K-9 salute to their fallen comrade ( we have eight German Shepherds trained to howl on command) It's our duty to honor these K-9 warriors, as they would give their life to save a soldier or law officer on the street, to find our lost children, to give our handicap more independence, to comfort our ill and elderly and to give our soldiers with PTSD a sense of security.
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