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Memorial Day 26 May 2008

Corozal American Cemetery, Panama

...to honor active military and vets trying to stop Iraq/
Afghanistan
and all corporate Wars.

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A PUB. of IRAQ VETERANS AGAINST the WAR

<http://ivaw.org>

<http://thepowerhour.com>

<http://www.gulfwarvets.com>

<http://www.westpointgradsagainsthewar.org>

<http://www.mfso.org>

<http://www.veteransforpeace.org>

The **death toll** that most people are oblivious to, that 4,000+ **number**, has doubled in the last two and a half years, right? **WRONG!** Dead wrong. There are some details that **disqualify soldiers** from the **military body count**. For example, most people who sustain grave physical wounds, but **die outside of Iraq**, are not counted, but I think it's also **damage control** on the part of the corporate military. **Suicides**, caused by post-traumatic stress disorder, are also excluded.

One of the soldiers in my battalion, 3/82 Field Artillery, **died of 3rd degree burns over 100% of her body, as well as her lungs and mouth....**A month shy of her 20th birth day, she was taken off of life support. Her epidermis was entirely gone and her body could not resist bacterial infection...

I noticed a poster board with the names **of the fallen for OIF 2006-2008**. SPC Marisol Heredia: **Missing!!!** IG notified. Marisol included on OIF 06-08 board. TxS,



SPC Marisol Heredia, 19 y.o. 3/82 Field Artillery, Iraq R.I.P (1987-7 September 2007)

Remembered by Bryan Hannah, active duty

What about the **other casualties of war?** The amputees, paraplegics, quadriplegics, people with brain damage and hearing loss, personalities that are permanently changed for the worse, marriages ruined (divorces among officers have risen 300% and enlisted people have a 200% higher divorce rate than before 2003), and children who are messed up by separation from their parents. **Is this war worth it?** I mean, to the average person.

I know it's worth trillion\$\$ to Dick Cheney...

Our rights to liberty and justice for all are muscles which should never be allowed to atrophy. Don't be trodden upon by the military industrial machine.

Before I go too far off the deep end, I leave you with this.

"War is hell." <http://www.hoodgi.blogspot.com>

+++++++Personal note: jfp leaflet composed in Panama, from IVAW ISSUE # 5: web info. My Poem:

For your and my family, our communities and a peaceful future for humanity; I stood up to the **EVIL** corporate usurpers of Old Glory; usurpers of our Revolutionary Declaration of Independence; usurpers of our Constitutional Liberties and Justice under the Bill of Rights; usurpers of our State and Federal, legislative, judicial and executive powers; usurpers of all our ruling institutions; usurpers of our Treasury, privatizers of our monetary system, privatizers of our currency; usurpers and privatizers of our military might. For decades I had to live and bear the consequences of standing up to corporate enslavement at home and abroad.

Today, when "the corporate USA" bares its FEMA camps, arbitrary check points, mass arrests, taser tortures, executions, disappearances: I am old, broken and hurting.

Now I can use some help!!!

Buddy, "amigo," friend, "vecino," where are you?
You're nowhere to be found!

+++++++ Basta Ya! USA...the 4th Reich

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