

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Bruce Museum Greenwich, CT

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Bruce Museum has completed an inventory of human remains and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the human remains and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice.

DATES: Repatriation of the human remains in this notice may occur on or after September 14, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written requests for repatriation of the human remains in this notice to Kirsten J. Reinhardt, the Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Drive, Greenwich, CT 06830, email NAGPRA@brucemuseum.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the Bruce Museum and additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

Based on the information available, human remains representing, at least, one individual have been reasonably identified. No associated funerary objects are present. A necklace, a lei niho palaoa, consisting of a large quantity of braided lauoho (human hair) from an unknown number of Native Hawaiian ancestors with a hook pendant of whale tooth, was identified during the return of the Bruce collection from offsite storage. It was donated to the Bruce Museum in 1950 by Miss Amelia F. MacFarlane. No specific origin information accompanied the gift. No known potentially hazardous substances were used to treat the ancestor.

Cultural Affiliation

Based on the information available and the results of consultation, cultural affiliation is reasonably identified by the

geographical location or acquisition history of the human remains described in this notice.

Determinations

The Bruce Museum has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of at least one individual of Native Hawaiian ancestry.
- There is a reasonable connection between the human remains described in this notice and the Hui Iwi Kuamo'o.

Requests for Repatriation

Written requests for repatriation of the human remains in this notice must be sent to the authorized representative identified in this notice under **ADDRESSES**. Requests for repatriation may be submitted by:

1. Any one or more of the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice.
2. Any lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice who shows, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the requestor is a lineal descendant or a culturally affiliated Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

Repatriation of the human remains in this notice to a requestor may occur on or after September 14, 2026. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the Bruce Museum must determine the most appropriate requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the human remains are considered a single request and not competing requests. The Bruce Museum is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to the Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations identified in this notice.

Authority: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003, and the implementing regulations, 43 CFR 10.10.

Dated: August 4, 2026.

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Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

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Notice of Intended Disposition: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Cherokee National Forest, Cleveland, TN

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Cherokee National Forest intends to carry out the disposition of unassociated funerary objects removed from Federal or Tribal lands to the lineal descendants, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization with priority for disposition in this notice.

DATES: Disposition of the cultural items in this notice may occur on or after September 14, 2026. If no claim for disposition is received by August 13, 2027, the cultural items in this notice will become unclaimed cultural items.

ADDRESSES: Send written claims for disposition of the cultural items in this notice to Michael Wright, USDA Forest Service, Cherokee National Forest, 2800 North Ocoee Street, Cleveland TN 37743, email michael.wright@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the Cherokee National Forest, and additional information on the cultural items in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the related records. The National Park Service is not responsible for the identifications in this notice.

Abstract of Information Available

Based on the information available, no human remains have been identified. The 25,150 unassociated funerary objects are pottery, lithics, faunal bone, shell, charcoal, associated feature soils and one lot (1,167 kilograms) of burned rocks.

In 1994, archaeological investigations of the southwestern portions site 40WG17 in Washington County, Tennessee, were carried out by the Cherokee National Forest and Appalachian State University. Fieldwork consisted of controlled surface collection, systematic auger sampling, and systemic plow zone