

# Sequence of Events



**State Funeral for George H.W. Bush, the 41st President of the United States**

Houston Media Operations Center 41-SOE11 - Dec. 4, 2018

## **Departure ceremony - Union Pacific Westfield Auto Facility, Spring, Texas**

**WHEN:** Thursday, Dec. 6, 12:30 p.m. CST

### **SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:**

1. As the motorcade arrives, the commander of troops will bring the ceremonial troops to attention.
2. The Bush family, military and family clergy and family guests will be escorted to their positions.
3. The body bearers will remove the casket from the hearse. The ceremonial elements will present arms and musical honors will be rendered (four Ruffles and Flourishes and *Hail to the Chief*). Following honors, the band will begin playing the hymn, *America the Beautiful*.
4. The casket will be carried between the ranks of the honor cordon and placed in the funeral car.
5. Members of the procession will proceed in the following order: national color, military and civilian clergy, casket and presidential color.
6. After the casket has been placed in the funeral car, the band will cease playing and the commander of troops will bring the ceremonial elements to order arms. The Bush family and staff will board the train and depart for College Station, Texas.

### **ESCORT FOR NEXT OF KIN:**

Army Maj. Gen. Michael L. Howard, commanding general,  
Joint Task Force-National Capital Region, Washington, D.C.

### **CEREMONIAL ELEMENTS:**

#### **Army**

3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard),  
Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia

#### **Marine Corps**

U.S. Marine Corps Ceremonial and Guard Company,  
Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C.

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| <b>Navy</b>                           | U.S. Navy Ceremonial Guard,<br>Naval District Washington, Washington, D.C.  |
| <b>Air Force</b>                      | U.S. Air Force Honor Guard,<br>Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington, D.C.   |
| <b>Coast Guard</b>                    | U.S. Coast Guard Ceremonial Honor Guard,<br>Telecommunications Information Systems Center,<br>Alexandria, Virginia        |
| <b>Commander of troops:</b>           | Army Maj. Eric J. Hanft,<br>3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard),<br>Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia        |
| <b>Body bearer officer-in-charge:</b> | Army 1st Lt. Steven M. Webster,<br>3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard),<br>Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia |
| <b>Military chaplain:</b>             | Navy Capt. Judy T. Malana, U.S. Navy Chaplain,<br>Naval District Washington, Washington, D.C.                             |
| <b>Family clergy:</b>                 | Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.,<br>St. Martin’s Episcopal Church,<br>Houston, Texas                                    |
| <b>MUSICAL ELEMENTS:</b>              |   |
| <b>Band:</b>                          | 77th Army Band,<br>Fort Sill, Oklahoma  |
| <b>Under the direction of:</b>        | Army Chief Warrant Officer 2 Bridgette Brenmark,<br>77th Army Band,<br>Fort Sill, Oklahoma                                |
| <b>Honors:</b>                        | Ruffles and Flourishes (four) and <i>Hail to the Chief</i>  |
| <b>Hymns:</b>                         | <i>America the Beautiful</i> , composed by Samuel A. Ward   |

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