

Class of 1960
65th Reunion

Memorial Service
A Time for Reflection

We honor and Celebrate the lives
of our Departed Classmates



United States Naval Academy Chapel
Annapolis, Maryland

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Prelude

Call to Remembrance: Thank you for coming to this service to remember and honor our classmates who have gone before us. Each story shared and each smile exchanged stand as a testament to their enduring legacy. In the mosaic of our collective memories, they remain a vibrant and cherished presence, and in celebrating them, we celebrate the beauty of the human spirit.

(Please rise as able for the Invocation. Let us pray in unison)

***Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. We rest in the knowledge of your tender mercy and care in this life and in life everlasting. We gather to remember our classmates whom we have known and loved, and who, having finished their course in faith, now rest in their labor. Amen**

*(Please join me in the Responsive Reading)

(Adapted from "We remember Them" from the Jewish Book of Prayer)

In the rising of the sun and in it's going down, we remember them.

We remember their radiant light and the way they brought the night to life

In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.

We remember the way they blossomed into being as they claimed their true selves.

In the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them.

We remember the way transition brought out their most vibrant colors.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.

We remember the years we had with them, and we mourn for the years they missed

When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.

We remember their fierce courage, and how hard they fought to be true to themselves.

When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them.

We remember how lost they once felt, and the many ways they said yes to life.

When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them.

We remember their joy, their pride, their excitement, and the love they gave to the world around them.

So long as we live, they too shall live.

*Hymn No. 891 in red (Catholic) Hymnal For All The Saints
First and Last Verses only

First Reading: Psalm 107:23-32 Bob Osmon

*Hymn No. 690 in red (Catholic) Hymnal On Eagles Wings

Second Reading: John 14:1-4, 18,19, 25-27, 29 Dareen Johnston

Reflections: Doug Johnston

A Moment of Silent Prayer for all of our deceased classmates.

Homily by Luther Alexander (former Command Chaplain at USNA)

*The Lords Prayer Unison

*The Navy Hymn (verse 1 only) Back cover of Gray (Protestant) Hymnal

Benediction

*Please stand as able

For All the Saints

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia

From earths wide bounds, from oceans farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia

On Eagles Wings

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Who abide in his shadow for life,
Say to the Lord, My Refuge, My Rock in Whom I trust.

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand

The snare of the fowler will never capture you, And famine will bring you no fear;
Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield.

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand

For to His angels He's given a command, To guard you in all of your ways,
Upon their hands they will bear you up ,Lest you dash your foot against a stone

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand

Eternal Father

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm
hath bound the restless wave;
Who bids the mighty ocean deep its own
appointed limits keep;
O hear us when we cry to thee for
those in peril on the sea