

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Born

Place

Date

Entered Into Rest

Place

Date

Age

Years

Months

Love comforts like sunshine after rain

— William Shakespeare

FAMILY RECORD

Father _____

Mother _____

Father's Father _____

Father's Mother _____

Mother's Father _____

Mother's Mother _____

Other Members of the Family

SERVICES

Place

Date

Hour

Officiating

Music

Message

Eulogies / Sharing Memories



MY COUNTRY, 'TIS OF THEE

My country, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing: Land where my fathers died,
Land of the Pilgrims' pride. From every mountainside
Let freedom ring!

My native country, thee, Land of the noble, free,
Thy name I love. I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills; My heart with rapture thrills
Like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees
Sweet freedom's song. Let mortal tongues awake;
Let all that breathe partake; Let rocks their silence break,
The sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing: Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King!

LITURGY OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Place _____

Date _____ Hour _____

Officiating

Music

Sermon

Interment Prayers By

VIGIL RITES

Place

Date

Hour

Recited By

Music

In Paradisum

May the Angels lead you into paradise; upon your arrival
may the martyrs receive you and lead you into the Holy City, Jerusalem.
May the ranks of Angels receive you and with Lazarus, once a poor man,
may you have eternal rest.

FINAL RESTING PLACE

Ceremonies by

Interment / Inurnment

Name of Cemetery

Section

Block

Lot

City

County

State

Laid to Rest

Hour

Day

Month

Year



THE 24 NOTES KNOWN AS TAPS

General Daniel Butterfield (1831-1901) is the man identified as responsible for the bugle call known as Taps. Taps has been used at all military funerals. Prior to modern forms of communications, bugles were used to signal troop activity during times of battle. A distinctive call was used to wake soldiers (Reveille), call them to eat, engage in battle (i.e.: the Calvary Charge) and for lights out. Research has shown that Butterfield did not compose Taps, but revised an earlier bugle call known as Tattoo used at the end of the day.

General Butterfield died in 1901 and was buried at West Point, even though he did not attend the Academy. There is also a monument to him in New York City, near Grant's Tomb. Neither of these monuments mentions his association with Taps.

There are no official words for Taps, although there are several verses, including the most popular:

TAPS

Day is done, gone the sun from the
lake, from the hill, from the sky.
All is well, safely rest. God is nigh.

Thanks and praise
for our days 'neath the sun, 'neath
the stars, 'neath the sky.
As we go, this we know, God is nigh.



THE MILITARY FUNERAL

INSTALLATION/VETERAN ORGANIZATION
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COLOR GUARD



OUR FOLDED FLAG

The folded flag is not just a nice gesture, but is rooted in our country and military tradition.

The flag is folded 13 times.

The **first** fold of our flag is a symbol of life.

The **second** fold is a symbol of our belief in eternal life.

The **third** fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing our ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the defense of our country to attain peace throughout the world.

The **fourth** fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn to in times of peace as well as in times of war for divine guidance.

The **fifth** fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our Country, in its intercourse with other countries, may she always be right, but our country, right or wrong".

The **sixth** fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The **seventh** fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

The **eighth** fold is a tribute to the ones who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day.

The **ninth** fold is a tribute to womanhood, for it has been through their faith, their love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great has been molded.

The **tenth** fold is a tribute to the father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

The **eleventh** fold, in the eyes of the Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in their eyes the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

The **twelfth** fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost.

On the **thirteenth** fold, the stars are uppermost reminding us of our nation's motto "In God We Trust".

ON-LINE CONDOLENCES



Preserve on-line messages from family and friends.

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PRESS NOTES AND MEMOS



AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties, Above the fruited plain!

America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, Whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat, Across the wilderness!

America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved, In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, And mercy more than life!

America! America! May God thy gold refine,
'Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!

America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea.