

Latest information for TAPS IN HONORED GLORY as of OCT 25, 2021

Thanks for participating in TAPS IN HONORED GLORY at Arlington National Cemetery Sunday November 7, 2021

-The program is at the Tanner (The Old) Amphitheater near the Arlington House (The Custis-Lee Mansion).

-Program starts at 10:00 am Please be there no later than 9:30 ******PLEASE NOTE-Time change happens that day. Make sure you adjust your watch.

-Parking will be in the garage and you can walk to the Amphitheater. It's about a 10-15 minute walk through some really beautiful areas. Please check an Arlington Cemetery map so you don't get lost.

-There is extremely limited parking inside the Cemetery. I am working to get a number of vehicles into the cemetery. They will park in the Old Administration lot across the street from the Tanner Amphitheater. If you need an entrance due to mobility issues, please let me know ASAP.

-You must pass through security at the Welcome Center to enter the cemetery. Please make sure you have a mask to enter any building on the grounds of Arlington.

-As of now, we will not be able to rehearse the Massed Taps arrangement due to restrictions at the cemetery so we may have to "wing it." I'm waiting to hear back from ANC to see if they will let us rehearse at 9:30. However, for those interested, we will play the arrangement the day before at 4:30 at the National WWI Memorial-See below.

-There will be limited seating with reserved chair for VIPS. They will be marked. All the buglers will stand in a semi-circle around the inside perimeter of the Amphitheater-just like we did for previous ceremonies.

-Restrooms are at the Welcome Center, the Arlington House and at the Memorial Amphitheater (Tomb of the Unknown Soldier)

-The weather will probably be in the lower 60s so be prepared and check the local weather for Arlington VA. Also, since there will be a fair amount of walking please wear comfortable shoes. A map is attached and will be passed out of the walking route to the graves of the buglers we are going to honor.

-The activities for November 7 will be: 10:00 program, 11-12:30 Walk to the graves of the buglers, 1:15 ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

-Following the wreath ceremony, we should be able to walk inside the display room at the Tomb where the bugle used by Frank Witchey (1st bugler to sound Taps at the Tomb) is going to be displayed for 3 months. This artifact is on loan from the 3rd Cavalry Museum.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6 4:30 PM NATIONAL WORLD WAR ONE MEMORIAL WASHINGTON DC Pennsylvania Ave and 14th St-by the Willard Hotel

If you get into town early (I'm sure most will), there will be a ceremony at 4:30 pm on Saturday November 6th at the National WWI Memorial. The Memorial is located at Pennsylvania Ave and 14th St. It is located by the Willard Hotel

Guest speaker will be Mr. Daniel Dayton, CEO of the WWI Centennial Commission.

Please bring your instrument and music for the massed Taps. We will practice there and perform. There is limited street parking available around the memorial but parking garages are within a block or two. This is an informal gathering-no need to be dressed up.

Get there early and check out this wonderful new memorial in our nation's capital.

I look forward to seeing everyone there!!

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Walking Map of Arlington for November 7th

The 10:00 ceremony is located at No. 26 on the map. Then we follow the route to the graves of the buglers in section 19 and 34. Then follow the route to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier for the 1:15 pm ceremony.

