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**“TAPS IN HONORED GLORY”**  
**A Centennial Commemoration of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**  
**and 100 Years of Taps at the Tomb**  
**Sunday November 7, 2021 10:00 am Arlington National Cemetery**

**Arlington Virginia** Taps for Veterans is hosting **TAPS IN HONORED GLORY**, a ceremony to honor the Centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and commemorate 100 years of sounding Taps at the Tomb.

A special ceremony commemorating the Centennial of Taps at The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier will take place on Sunday November 7, 2021 at 10:00 am in the Tanner Amphitheater (Old Amphitheater) at Arlington National Cemetery. Taps For Veterans has coordinated with Arlington National Cemetery, The United States Army Band (Pershing’s Own) , Military District of Washington, and The Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier to commemorate the Centennial.

The day’s events will include a ceremony at 10:00 am in the Tanner Amphitheater, the placing of wreaths at the graves of three Army buglers at 11:30 and a formal wreath laying ceremony at 1:15 pm at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The wreath will be presented by the family of Sergeant Frank Witchey, the first bugler to sound Taps at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This program is coordinated by Jari Villanueva, Master Sergeant (retired) and TAPS FOR VETERANS.

Guest speakers include Gavin McIlvenna, Sergeant Major (retired), President, Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Jo Ann Maitland, National President, American Gold Star Mothers and Daniel Dayton, Chief Executive Officer, The World War I Centennial Commission. The ceremony will end with a massed performance of Taps by buglers from across the nation who have gathered to observe the Centennial.

The event is open to the general public.

**TAPS FOR VETERANS**, a non-profit organization, helps provide live buglers for military funerals. More information can be found at: [www.TapsForVeterans.org](http://www.TapsForVeterans.org) and [www.FaceBook.com/TapsForVeterans](https://www.FaceBook.com/TapsForVeterans)

For more information about **TAPS IN HONORED GLORY**, please contact Jari Villanueva at (443) 801-5274. Media inquires and requests should be made to Arlington National Cemetery Public Affairs Office through the ANC Media Office at (703) 614-0024