



# Media Advisory

Joint Task Force-National Capital Region/  
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## **National Medal of Honor Day 2022** *Medal of Honor Recipients to Lay Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier*

**WHO & WHAT:** Medal of Honor recipients Harvey Curtiss Barnum, Jr. and Brian M. Thacker will lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier to commemorate National Medal of Honor Day on Friday, March 25.

Maj. Gen. Allan M. Pepin, commanding general, Joint Task Force-National Capital Region/U.S. Army Military District of Washington, will host the wreath-laying ceremony.

**WHEN:** Friday, March, 25, 2022 at 2 p.m.

**WHERE:** Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.

**REGISTRATION:** Media interested in covering the ceremony must register by **noon, Friday, March 18** by sending an email to [usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@army.mil) with your: full name, news media organization and assignment (e.g. camera, still photographer, etc.), contact phone number, email address, and vehicle information (year, make, model, color and tags).

### **EDITOR'S NOTES:**

- The U.S. Army Military District of Washington Public Affairs Office will contact media outlets with their credential status no later than **3 p.m., Friday, March 18**.
- Media interested in covering the events live are permitted to bring mobile broadcasting equipment capable of live feeds. Please provide this information when registering. The Congressional Medal of Honor Society will be streaming the event on their website: <https://www.cmohs.org/medal/medal-of-honor-day-information>.
- **Interviews:** Media must express the desire for an interview during credentialing. Interviews with Medal of Honor recipients or the awardees must be requested and coordinated through the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation, Kristi Hellmuth, [Kristi.hellmuth@datocwitten.com](mailto:Kristi.hellmuth@datocwitten.com) or by phone 703-731-1042. Per Arlington National Cemetery policy, there are no interviews allowed on cemetery grounds.
- The **Congressional Medal of Honor Society** was chartered by Congress in 1958 to create a brotherhood among the living Medal of Honor recipients; to protect and uphold the dignity and honor of the Medal; to promote patriotism and love of country; and to inspire our youth to become worthy and dedicated citizens of our nation. Its membership consists exclusively of those individuals who have received the Medal of Honor. Today, there are 66 living recipients of the Medal of Honor.
- Sequence of events: Movement to Plaza, National Anthem, touching of the wreath, moment of reflection, and music selections: "Four Muffled Ruffles" & "TAPS."

For additional details, media may contact the U.S. Army Military District of Washington Public Affairs Office at [usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@army.mil) or call 202-497-2011.