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State Funeral for George H.W. Bush, the 41st President of the United States

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Joint Task Force-National Capital Region redeploys following conclusion of state funeral

WASHINGTON – Members of Joint Task Force-National Capital Region (JTF-NCR) redeployed following the conclusion of the state funeral for George H.W. Bush, 41st President of the United States, Dec. 7.

Nearly 4,000 Soldiers, Marines, Sailors, Airmen, Coast Guardsmen and civilian personnel to include Reserve and National Guard components, participated in the state funeral. Official ceremonies took place in Houston, Spring and College Station, Texas and Washington, D.C.

The commanding general of Joint Task Force-National Capital Region, Maj. Gen. Michael L. Howard, commended the efforts of the service members and civilians who participated.

"The extensive preparation that the Joint Task Force-National Capital Region planners did over the past few years was very evident in the speedy yet professional response. We did our utmost to convey our respect to the former commander in chief in the time-honored, traditional manner," said Howard. "It was an honor to assist the Bush family as the nation paused to reflect and recognize the tremendous service of former President Bush."

The JTF-NCR was activated Saturday, Dec. 1, following the official announcement of former President Bush's death.

For more information, visit www.jtf.usstatefuneral.mdw.army.mil and www.georgehwbush.com.

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