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00:07:26,300 --> 00:07:42,680

>> PLEASE BE SEATED.

WELCOME TO THIS CELEBRATION OF A LIFE OF SERVICE.

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00:07:42,680 --> 00:07:51,270

WE COME FROM MANY FAITH AND PERSPECTIVES BROUGHT
TOGETHER BY A DESIRE TO REMEMBER AND HONOR

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00:07:51,270 --> 00:08:00,540

THE LIFE OF JOHN GLENN.

IN THIS SERVICE, WE WON'T BEGIN TO CAPTURE

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00:08:00,540 --> 00:08:07,669

THE DEPTHS AND BREADTHS OF THE LIFE HE LED
BUT WE'LL TRY.

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00:08:07,669 --> 00:08:14,979

WE WILL TRY.

THIS AFTERNOON WE'LL ALSO CELEBRATE THE UNFAILING

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00:08:14,979 --> 00:08:22,850

PROMISES OF GOD.

WE REMEMBER THAT GOD'S LOVE FOR US IS STRONGER

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00:08:22,850 --> 00:08:29,590

THAN DEATH.

TODAY WE HOLD FAST TO THAT TRUTH AS WE CELEBRATE

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00:08:29,590 --> 00:08:36,880

SENATOR GLENN'S LIFE.

NOW PLEASE JOIN ME IN OUR CALL TO WORSHIP.

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00:08:36,880 --> 00:08:52,680

BEFORE GOD SPOKE, THE FIRST WORD OF CREATION,
THERE WAS LOVE.

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00:08:52,680 --> 00:09:03,130

WHEN WE DRAW OUR LAST BREATH AND LEAVE THIS
WORLD, LOVE WILL BE WAITING FOR US.

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00:09:03,130 --> 00:09:25,880
LET US WORSHIP GOD.
>> LOOKING BACK ON NOW IT WAS ALMOST AN IDYLIC

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00:09:25,880 --> 00:09:31,080
PLACE I THINK TO HAVE A CHILDHOOD.
PATRIOTISM AND FEELINGS ABOUT COUNTRY WERE

13
00:09:31,080 --> 00:09:32,780
JUST A GIVEN.
YOU EXPECTED THAT.

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00:09:32,780 --> 00:09:34,580
IT WASN'T SOMETHING THAT WAS RARE SO IT WAS
AS I LOOK BACK ON IT NOW, ALL OF THE INFLUENCES

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00:09:34,580 --> 00:09:39,560
ON WHETHER IT WAS RELIGIOUS THOUGHT OR MORALS
OR ETHICAL BEHAVIOR, IT WAS ALMOST AN IDYLIC

16
00:09:39,560 --> 00:09:52,630
PLACE FOR KIDS TO GROW UP.
¶¶ I HAD A TEACHER HIGH SCHOOL THAT REALLY

17
00:09:52,630 --> 00:09:59,210
AFFECTED MY LATER LIFE.
NAME WAS HARVARD STEEL AND HE TAUGHT A COURSE

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00:09:59,210 --> 00:10:03,651
CALLED CIVICS WHICH WAS THE STUDY OF GOVERNMENT
AND POLITICS.

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00:10:03,651 --> 00:10:07,300
HE WAS A WONDERFUL TEACHER.
HE MADE THE WHOLE THING COME ALIVE AND I USED

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00:10:07,300 --> 00:10:32,340
TO REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO HIS CLASSES.
IT WAS SOMETHING THAT REALLY INSPIRED ME LATER

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00:10:32,340 --> 00:10:36,110

ON.

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00:10:36,110 --> 00:10:45,030

>> GOD, OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH, YOU ARE ALWAYS
CLOSE TO US AT EVERY MOMENT OF OUR LIVES.

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00:10:45,030 --> 00:10:52,750

LEAD US NOW IN THIS TIME OF SADNESS AND LIFT
OUR EYES TO THE PEACE AND LIGHT OF YOUR CONSTANT

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00:10:52,750 --> 00:10:57,459

CARE.

HELP US TO HEAR YOUR WORDS OF PRAISE THAT

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00:10:57,459 --> 00:11:04,110

ANY FEAR WE MIGHT HAVE WILL BE DISPELLED BY
YOUR LOVE AND LONELINESS EASED BY YOUR PRESENCE.

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00:11:04,110 --> 00:11:11,779

AND OUR HOPE RENEWED BY YOUR PROMISES.
WE GATHER THIS DAY IN THIS PLACE TO GRIEVE

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00:11:11,779 --> 00:11:18,380

SENATOR JOHN GLENN'S DEATH AND TO CELEBRATE
A LIFE WELL LIVED AND TO REJOICE IN HIS NEW

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00:11:18,380 --> 00:11:24,279

LIFE THAT WILL NEVER END.
BLESS ALSO THOSE HE LOVED WHO ARE GATHERED

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00:11:24,279 --> 00:11:29,560

HERE TODAY.
POUR OUT OUR BLESSINGS ON THIS ASSEMBLY AND

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00:11:29,560 --> 00:11:35,950

ALLOW YOUR GRACE TO BE OUR GUIDE.
SUSTAIN US, OH, LORD, WITH YOUR COMFORT AND

31
00:11:35,950 --> 00:11:43,440
PREPS TODAY AND ALWAYS.
WE PRAY THAT IN YOUR NAME, ALL GRACIOUS GOD,

32
00:11:43,440 --> 00:11:54,900
AMEN.
THE FOLLOWING IS A PASSAGE THAT IS READ ON

33
00:11:54,900 --> 00:12:00,769
YOM KIPPUR, THE HOLIEST DAY OF THE JEWISH
YEAR.

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00:12:00,769 --> 00:12:05,350
THE INEVITABLE CYCLE OF LIFE.
IF SOME MESSENGER WERE TO COME TO US WITH

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00:12:05,350 --> 00:12:12,490
THE OFFER DEATH SHOULD BE OVERTHROWN BUT WITH
THE ONE INSEPARABLE CONDITION THAT BIRTH

36
00:12:12,490 --> 00:12:18,470
SHOULD ALSO CEASE, IF WE WHO LIVE HERE TODAY
WERE GIVEN A CHANCE TO LIVE FOREVER BUT ON

37
00:12:18,470 --> 00:12:24,860
THE CLEARANCING THAT NEVER AGAIN WOULD THERE
BE A CHILD OR A YOUTH OR FIRST LOVE, NEVER

38
00:12:24,860 --> 00:12:34,890
AGAIN NOW PERSONS WITH NEW HOPES, NEW IDEAS,
NEW ACHIEVEMENTS, OURSELVES ALWAYS AND FOREVER.

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00:12:34,890 --> 00:12:38,790
CAN THE ANSWER BE IN DOUBT?
AS JOHN GLENN LIVED LET US TREASURE THE TIME

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00:12:38,790 --> 00:12:41,690
WE HAD.
RESOLVE TO USE IT WELL.

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00:12:41,690 --> 00:12:45,700

LET US LIVE DELIBERATELY AND MAKE EACH MOMENT
COUNT.

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00:12:45,700 --> 00:12:51,550

THE CHANCE TO APPEAR HELPED SOME TRUTH, TO
EXPERIENCE SOME BEAUTY, TO CONQUER SOME EVIL,

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00:12:51,550 --> 00:12:59,980

TO RELEASE SOME SUFFERING, TO LOVE AND BE
LOVED, TO ACHIEVE SOMETHING OF LASTING VALUE.

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00:12:59,980 --> 00:13:07,430

HELP US TO FULFILL THE PROMISE THAT IS IN
EACH OF US SO THAT WHEN WE'RE GONE, ANOTHER

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00:13:07,430 --> 00:13:14,149

GENERATION WILL SAY OURRD WORLD IS BETTER
BECAUSE OF THE BRIEF TIME WE LIVED.

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00:13:14,149 --> 00:13:19,130

IT HAS BEEN SAID PEOPLE COME INTO OUR LIVES
FOR A REASON.

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00:13:19,130 --> 00:13:41,209

I THINK WE'VE ALL BEEN BLESSED BY THE EXTRAORDINARY
LIFE OF JOHN GLENN.

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00:13:41,209 --> 00:13:43,060

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>> SO I GOT MY PRIVATE PILOT'S LICENSE IN

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00:13:43,060 --> 00:13:48,200

THE SPRING OF 1941.
AND THEN PEARL HARBOR OCCURRED.

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00:13:48,200 --> 00:13:54,870

>> A DATE WHICH WILL LIVE IN INFAMY.
>> I KNEW WHAT MY RESPONSIBILITIES WERE AT

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00:13:54,870 --> 00:13:56,170

THAT TIME.

MY DAD AND MOTHER WEREN'T TOO KEEN FOR ME

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00:13:56,170 --> 00:14:11,279

DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL AT THAT TIME, BUT IT
WAS MY DUTY TO DO AND I DID IT.

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00:14:11,279 --> 00:14:16,650

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I WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE MARINE CORPS AND

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00:14:16,650 --> 00:14:31,310

FELT THE MARINES WERE THE BEST.
I WANTED TO BE PART OF THAT.

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00:14:31,310 --> 00:14:39,590

>> PLEASE JOIN ME IN SAYING THE WORDS OF THE
23rd PSALM HAS PRINTED IN YOUR PROGRAMS.

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00:14:39,590 --> 00:14:48,800

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD, I SHALL NOT WANT.
HE MAKEETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES.

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00:14:48,800 --> 00:14:54,720

HE LEADETH ME BESIDES STILL WATERS.
HE RESTOREETH MY SOUL.

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00:14:54,720 --> 00:15:00,010

HE LEADETH ME IN PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR
HIS NAME SAKE.

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00:15:00,010 --> 00:15:08,980

YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE
SHADOW OF DEATH, I WILL FEAR NO EVIL.

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00:15:08,980 --> 00:15:14,930

FOR THOU AREN'T WITH ME.
THIGH ROD AND MY STAFF, THEY COMFORT ME.

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00:15:14,930 --> 00:15:20,940

THOU PREPARETH A TABLE BEFORE ME IN THE PRESENCE
OF MY ENEMIES.

62

00:15:20,940 --> 00:15:28,610

THOU ANOINTETH MY HEAD WITH OIL.
MY CUP RUNNETH OVER.

63

00:15:28,610 --> 00:15:37,980

SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME
ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE.

64

00:15:37,980 --> 00:15:56,130

AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD
FOREVER.

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00:15:56,130 --> 00:16:04,680

>> IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO SAY A FEW WORDS IN
HONOR OF OUR ESTEEMED FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE.

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00:16:04,680 --> 00:16:13,380

THERE WERE THOSE WHO TODAY WHO HAVE KNOWN
SENATOR GLENN FOR 60, 70 OR EVEN 90 YEARS.

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00:16:13,380 --> 00:16:18,649

BUT MOST OF US KNEW HIM LONG BEFORE WE ACTUALLY
MET HIM.

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00:16:18,649 --> 00:16:23,079

WE KNEW HIM THROUGH NEWS REPORTS AND FLICKERING
IMAGES MUCH EVENT AMONG THE MOST SPECTACULAR

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00:16:23,079 --> 00:16:28,050

WE HAD EVER WITNESSED.
THE SUSPENSE OF THE COUNTDOWN, THE MAJESTY

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00:16:28,050 --> 00:16:32,649

OF THE LIFTOFF.
THE TECHNICAL BRILLIANCE.

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00:16:32,649 --> 00:16:37,950

OUR NATION WAS PROUD OF THE ACHIEVEMENT AND
PROUD AND BRAVE, PROUD OF OUR BRAVE AND DASHING

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00:16:37,950 --> 00:16:41,980

HERO.
BUT MORE THAN THAT, WE CARED ABOUT HIM PERSONALLY.

73

00:16:41,980 --> 00:16:49,040

WE PRAYED FOR HIM PERSONALLY.
FOR HIS FAMILY, FOR HIS HAPPINESS AND HIS

74

00:16:49,040 --> 00:16:52,600

SAFETY.
THE MISSION CAPTURED OUR MINDS BUT JOHN GLENN

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00:16:52,600 --> 00:16:57,560

WON OUR HEARTS.
THERE ARE MANY REASONS FOR THAT.

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00:16:57,560 --> 00:17:01,450

FOREMOST AMONG THEM WAS EQUALITY OF JOHN GLENN
THE MAN.

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00:17:01,450 --> 00:17:08,360

A DECORATED COMBAT VETERAN, A FEARLESS TEST
PILOT, BUT ALSO AN POSHLY A DEDICATED HUSBAND

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00:17:08,360 --> 00:17:12,630

AND FATHER.
HE WAS VERY MUCH LIKE ALL OF US.

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00:17:12,630 --> 00:17:17,780

A SUPERHUMAN WORK ETHIC PERHAPS BUT IN SO
MANY OTHER WAYS LIKE OUR FATHER, OUR BROTHER,

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00:17:17,780 --> 00:17:22,240

OUR HUSBAND, OUR NEIGHBOR FROM NEW CONCORD,
OHIO.

81
00:17:22,240 --> 00:17:26,040
HE WAS A CONSUMMATE TEAM MATE.
HE PUT COMPLETE FAITH IN THOSE WHO SUPPORTED

82
00:17:26,040 --> 00:17:31,910
HIM AND RISKED IT ALL.
SO VULNERABLE AND SO HUMAN.

83
00:17:31,910 --> 00:17:37,510
IN THAT TINY CAPSULE.
TO SHOW US THAT WE COULD SUCCEED.

84
00:17:37,510 --> 00:17:43,040
THIS GIVE MILLIONS OF US THE CONFIDENCE TO
KNOW WE COULD REACH OUR DREAMS.

85
00:17:43,040 --> 00:17:49,880
HIS SERVICE LIFE STRETCHING OVER THE PAST
HALF CENTURY WAS EXEMPLARY AND INSPIRING.

86
00:17:49,880 --> 00:17:57,220
FROM THE BEGINNING AND THROUGHOUT HE RADIATED
AUTHENTICITY AND CONFIDENT PERFECT HUMILITY.

87
00:17:57,220 --> 00:18:02,200
HE WAS THE OPPOSITE OF BOASTFUL.
AS TRULY OUTSTANDING PEOPLE DO, HE LIT HIS

88
00:18:02,200 --> 00:18:07,760
ACTIONS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.
HE WAS COMPETITIVE BUT HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

89
00:18:07,760 --> 00:18:13,160
WERE ALWAYS IN THE CONTEXT OF DOING HIS BEST
TO DO A GOOD JOB.

90
00:18:13,160 --> 00:18:18,870
TO ALLOW HIMSELF TO BE A ROLE MODEL.
AND TO OUR EVER LASTING FORTUNE HE RETURNED

91
00:18:18,870 --> 00:18:24,710
HOME.
TO HIS HOME, TO OHIO, AND AFTER LEAVING HOST,

92
00:18:24,710 --> 00:18:30,410
TO THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.
WHICH HE LOVED DEARLY AND SERVED ENERGETICALLY

93
00:18:30,410 --> 00:18:35,600
AND WITH DISTINCTION AS A FACULTY MEMBER AND
ELDER STATESMAN THROUGHOUT THE LAST YEARS

94
00:18:35,600 --> 00:18:40,230
OF HIS LIFE.
WE'RE ETERNALLY GRATEFUL.

95
00:18:40,230 --> 00:18:44,910
IN THAT CONTEXT WE MET JOHN GLENN DURING THE
RECRUITMENT PROCESS FOR THIS POSITION.

96
00:18:44,910 --> 00:18:49,980
WE WERE APPROPRIATELY VERY FLATTERED THAT
HE WOULD TAKE TIME TO COME OUT TO THE AIRPORT

97
00:18:49,980 --> 00:18:54,040
ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON.
BUT THE MAIN MEMORY FROM THAT MEETING WAS

98
00:18:54,040 --> 00:19:00,480
THAT WE LEARNED IMMEDIATELY THERE WAS MUCH
MORE TO HIM THAN WE HAD APPRECIATED FROM AFAR.

99
00:19:00,480 --> 00:19:06,260
AND THAT MORE WAS ANNIE.
THE TWO OF THEM TOGETHER RADIATED WARMTH AND

100
00:19:06,260 --> 00:19:10,510
OPTIMISM.
THE BOND BETWEEN THEM WAS PALPABLE.

101
00:19:10,510 --> 00:19:16,690
IN MEETING ANNIE WE SHOOK HANDS AND SHE SMILED
THEN DIDN'T LET G. AS WE TALKED SHE HELD MY

102
00:19:16,690 --> 00:19:23,210
HAND FOR SEVERAL MINUTES AS THOUGH I WERE
A GRANDSON RETURNING HOME AND WE SPOKE AS

103
00:19:23,210 --> 00:19:28,460
THOUGH WE HAD KNOWN EACH OTHER NOR YEARS.
AND THAT EASY OPEN GREETING WELCOMED US TO

104
00:19:28,460 --> 00:19:31,799
THE COMMUNITY.
AFTER MOVING TO COLUMBUS, WE HAD THE PLEASURE

105
00:19:31,799 --> 00:19:39,200
TO VISIT WITH JOHN AND ANNIE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS,
TWO BEAR MENTION TODAY P. THE FIRST WAS THE

106
00:19:39,200 --> 00:19:42,940
DEDICATION OF THE JOHN JOHN COLLEGE OF PUBLIC
AFFAIRS.

107
00:19:42,940 --> 00:19:48,150
HE WAS PASSIONATE ABOUT EDUCATION AND THE
COLLEGE AND HONOR THAT HAD IT BORE HIS NAME.

108
00:19:48,150 --> 00:19:54,090
HE WAS THRILLED AT THE VERY BACKGROUNDS AND
INTERESTS OF THE STUDENTS, TOMORROW'S LEADERS.

109
00:19:54,090 --> 00:19:59,840
HE WAS EVER PRESENT IN HIS OFFICE OR ATTENDING
EVENTS OR WELCOMING DIGNITARIES, ALWAYS DOING

110
00:19:59,840 --> 00:20:07,210
HIS BEST TO INSPIRE BY EXAMPLE A CONSISTENT
UNWARRENING THEME IN HIS LIFE.

111
00:20:07,210 --> 00:20:12,970
THE DEDICATION WAS ON A BRIGHT DAY.
THE TREES ON THE OVAL WERE BURSTING WITH NEW

112
00:20:12,970 --> 00:20:17,110
LIFE.
THE EXCITED CROWD WAS GATHERED FACING THE

113
00:20:17,110 --> 00:20:21,450
STAGE OUTSIDE PAGE HALL.
IT LOOKED LIKE THE SCENE YOU SEE BEHIND ME

114
00:20:21,450 --> 00:20:28,130
AND THE CROWD WAS SO LARGE IT SPREAD ON TO
THE OTHER SIDE OF COLLEGE ROAD.

115
00:20:28,130 --> 00:20:34,200
THE SCENE WAS OF CARS JUST VISIBLE ABOVE THE
HEADS OF THE PEOPLE IN THE FOREGROUND SNAKING

116
00:20:34,200 --> 00:20:40,150
SLOWLY THROUGH THE CROWD.
AND IT WAS REMINISCENTERLY OF SOMETHING AND

117
00:20:40,150 --> 00:20:50,540
IT WAS DAWNED THAT IT BEING LOOKRD LIKE A
TICKER TAPE PARADE FOR AN HONORED NATIVE SON,

118
00:20:50,540 --> 00:20:56,090
AS THOUGH IT WERE FEBRUARY, 1962 ALL OVER
AGAIN, A SIGN FROM PERHAPS ABOVE OF A JOB

119
00:20:56,090 --> 00:21:03,440
WELL DONE AND GREAT THINGS TO COME.
THE SECOND MOMENT TO SHARE OCCURRED JUST OVER

120
00:21:03,440 --> 00:21:07,010
A YEAR AGO.
THIS TIME AT A SOCIAL DINNER FOR THE FOUR

121

00:21:07,010 --> 00:21:13,039

OF US AT A LOCAL RESTAURANT.
IT WAS LIKE AN OLD SCHOOL DOUBLE DATE.

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00:21:13,039 --> 00:21:17,190

WE WERE TALKING BROADLY ABOUT UNIVERSITY LIFE
AND THE EVENTS OF THE DAY.

123

00:21:17,190 --> 00:21:22,050

THE CONVERSATION TURNED TO ITSELF 1960S AND
THEIR FRIENDSHIP WITH MEMBERS OF THE KENNEDY

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00:21:22,050 --> 00:21:28,600

FAMILY AND THE FATEFUL EVENTS OF JUNE, 1968.
HE SHARED A STORY YOU ALL KNOW WELL.

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00:21:28,600 --> 00:21:32,730

THAT AFTERNOON SENATOR KENNEDY WAS WOUNDED
THE GLENNES WERE ASKED BY THE KENNEDY FAMILY

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00:21:32,730 --> 00:21:39,510

TO TAKE THE KENNEDY CHILDREN BACK TO THE HOME
IN VIRGINIA AND WATCH OFFER THEM WHILE EVENTS

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00:21:39,510 --> 00:21:44,009

IN LOS ANGELES UNFOLDED.
THIS THEY DID.

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00:21:44,009 --> 00:21:48,049

ON THE MORNING OF THE SECOND DARE HE GOT THE
CALL AND IT FELL TO HIM TO DRAW THE CHILDREN

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00:21:48,049 --> 00:21:53,799

TOGETHER TO SHARE THE UNSPEAKABLE NEWS.
SO HE SAID HE CALLED THEM INTO A ROOM AND

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00:21:53,799 --> 00:21:59,500

SAT ON THE EDGE OF A BED, AND THEN AS HE WAS
RELIVING THIS MOMENT HIS VOICE BROKE AND HE

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00:21:59,500 --> 00:22:03,460

COULDN'T CONTINUE.

A HALF CENTURY LATER.

132

00:22:03,460 --> 00:22:10,630

AND REFLEXLY I TOOK HIS HAND AND THEN I CAUGHT
MYSELF WONDERING IN I HAD UNWETTINGLY CROSSED

133

00:22:10,630 --> 00:22:18,230

SOME PRIVILEGE OF FAMILIARITY BUT BEFORE I
ACTED HE SQUEEZED MY HAND.

134

00:22:18,230 --> 00:22:22,750

AND HELD IT TIGHTLY THEN AFTER A PAUSE SAID
THAT TELLING THOSE KIDS THAT THEIR FATHER

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00:22:22,750 --> 00:22:26,850

WAS GONE WAS THE TOUGHEST THING HE HAD EVER
DONE.

136

00:22:26,850 --> 00:22:30,990

AND IT TOOK HIM THEN A FEW MINUTES TO REGAIN
COMPOSURE.

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00:22:30,990 --> 00:22:38,290

AND I FELT IN THAT MOMENT WHEN HE WAS SO POWERFUL
YET SO VULNERABLE, SO HUMAN, I FELT WHAT IT

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00:22:38,290 --> 00:22:44,299

MEANS TO BE STEADFAST, WHAT IT MEANS TO BE
RELIABLE, WHAT IT MEANS TO BE COMPASSIONATE,

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00:22:44,299 --> 00:22:48,300

TO BE LOVING.

AND WHY THOSE MEASURES OF CHARACTERS ARE SO

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00:22:48,300 --> 00:22:51,150

IMPORTANT.

WHY THEY MATTER SO MUCH.

141
00:22:51,150 --> 00:22:57,419
AND IN THAT MOMENT, MORE THAN FLIGHTS AROUND
THE PLANET OR THE BRAVERY DEFENDING OUR NATION

142
00:22:57,419 --> 00:23:03,680
UNDER ARMS OR DECADES OF BEING A SERVANT LEAD
YOU ARE IN OUR UNIVERSITY OR OUR GOVERNMENT,

143
00:23:03,680 --> 00:23:11,970
IN THAT MOMENT HE EXEMPT FLIED THE TRANSCENDENT
BEAUTY OF TRUE COURAGE.

144
00:23:11,970 --> 00:23:17,309
AS WE BASK IN THE GLOW OF GREATNESS WE'RE
UPLIFTED AND INSPIRED.

145
00:23:17,309 --> 00:23:20,760
INSPIRED BECAUSE WE, TOO, CAN BE STEADFAST
AND TRUE.

146
00:23:20,760 --> 00:23:25,640
WE CAN BE COMPASSIONATE.
HE LIVED AN OUTSTANDING LIFE IN A WAY THAT

147
00:23:25,640 --> 00:23:30,140
EXEMPLIFIED THE VALUE AND POWER OF BEING OUR
BEST.

148
00:23:30,140 --> 00:23:36,860
WE CAN HONOR HIM BY DOING WHAT WE CAN EVERYDAY
TO BE OUR BEST SELVES.

149
00:23:36,860 --> 00:23:43,020
THERE CAN BE NO MORE POWERFUL LEGACY.
NO MORE IMPACTFUL LEGACY.

150
00:23:43,020 --> 00:23:48,750
A MAN FOR THE AGES LEAVES US WITH A MESSAGE
FOR THE AGES.

151

00:23:48,750 --> 00:24:42,110

GOD SPEED, JOHN GLENN GOD SPEED INDEED.

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00:24:42,110 --> 00:24:44,230

>> WHEN I CAME BACK FROM KOREA I HAD APPLIED

153

00:24:44,230 --> 00:24:47,990

TO GO THROUGH BEST TIGHT TRAINING AND WAS
ACCEPTED TO WORK ON THAT.

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00:24:47,990 --> 00:24:56,360

I THOUGHT WORKING OUT SOME OF THE BUGS ■■

>> MARINE MAJOR JOHN GLENN BEGINS AN ATTEMPT

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00:24:56,360 --> 00:25:12,350

AT SUPERSONIC TRANSCONDIMENTAL FLIGHT.

>> WE BROKE THE RECORD BY QUITE A BIT BY 20

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00:25:12,350 --> 00:25:22,789

MINUTES OR SO.

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00:25:22,789 --> 00:25:30,260

>> TO ANNIE, THE TRUE SOURCE OF JOHN'S REMARKABLE
STRENGTH FOR THEIR MANY YEARS TOGETHER.

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00:25:30,260 --> 00:25:35,700

TO DAVID AND LYNN WHO SHARED THEIR FATHER
WITH A GRILL NATION, I'M HONORED TO BE HER

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00:25:35,700 --> 00:25:43,669

TODAY TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF A MAN I'M PROUD
TO HAVE CALLED BOTH A HERO AND A FRIEND.

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00:25:43,669 --> 00:25:48,640

ONLY A HANDFUL OF PEOPLE IN HISTORY HAVE BEEN
CALLED UPON TO PUBLICLY EMBODY THE IDEALS

161

00:25:48,640 --> 00:25:53,600
OF AN ENTIRE NATION.
FEWER STILL HAVE STOOD TO THE TASK IN BOTH

162
00:25:53,600 --> 00:25:58,430
WAR TIME AND PEACE.
AND NONE HAVE ANSWERED THE CALL MORE PERFECTLY

163
00:25:58,430 --> 00:26:03,360
THAN JOHN GLENN.
HE BECAME MY HERO EARLY IN MY CAREER AS A

164
00:26:03,360 --> 00:26:08,890
MARINE AND STILL IS TODAY.
HE DEFINED AN AGE OF AMERICAN HISTORY IN THREE

165
00:26:08,890 --> 00:26:13,750
STORIED INSTITUTIONS.
BUT WHETHER HE WAS ORBITING THE EARTH, OR

166
00:26:13,750 --> 00:26:21,460
THE SENATE FLOOR HE WAS ALWAYS A MARINE.
ON HIS WAY TO ATTEND ANNIE'S ORGAN RECITAL

167
00:26:21,460 --> 00:26:26,580
ONE DAY JOHN HEARD THAT PEARL HARBOR HAD BEEN
ATTACKED.

168
00:26:26,580 --> 00:26:31,220
ANYONE WHO KNOWS ANNIE UNDERSTANDS WHAT A
SACRIFICE IT WAS FOR JOHN TO PUT THEIR MARRIAGE

169
00:26:31,220 --> 00:26:35,800
PLANS ON HOLD, LEAVE COLLEGE AND JOIN THE
FIGHT.

170
00:26:35,800 --> 00:26:40,880
ANYONE WHO KNEW JOHN UNDERSTANDS THAT HE DIDN'T
SEE A CHOICE.

171

00:26:40,880 --> 00:26:46,200
HE SAW HIS DUTY TO SERVE.
HE TRIED TO JOIN THE ARMY AIR CORPS BUT THEY

172
00:26:46,200 --> 00:26:50,420
COULDN'T TAKE HIM FAST ENOUGH.
HE ENTERED THE MILITARY THROUGH THE NAVAL

173
00:26:50,420 --> 00:26:56,850
AVIATION CADET PROGRAM.
WHERE HE MET HIS LIFE LONG FRIEND TOM MILLER.

174
00:26:56,850 --> 00:27:00,789
HE CHOOSE THE MARINE CORPS FOR THE SAME REASON
MANY OF US DO.

175
00:27:00,789 --> 00:27:07,020
BECAUSE WE HAVE THE BEST LOOKING UNIFORMS.
[LAUGHTER]

176
00:27:07,020 --> 00:27:13,850
AFTER HE EARNED HIS WINGS, HE AND HIS BUDDY
TOM, WERE FIRST ASSIGNED TO A TRANSPORT SQUADRON.

177
00:27:13,850 --> 00:27:18,450
THIS WAS NOT IN THEIR PLAN.
HERE WE SEE ONE OF THE FIRST EXAMPLES OF WHAT

178
00:27:18,450 --> 00:27:23,659
HE CALLED SELECTIVE OPPORTUNITY.
THIS IS WHERE YOU SEE AN OPPORTUNITY AND YOU

179
00:27:23,659 --> 00:27:28,070
POSITION YOURSELF TO BE COMPETITIVE FOR THE
POSITION.

180
00:27:28,070 --> 00:27:33,940
ON THIS OCCASION, IT BACKFIRED.
HE AND HIS PAL TOM HEARD THAT THE MARCH CORPS

181

00:27:33,940 --> 00:27:40,760

WAS GOING TO GET P. 38 LIGHTNING, A FIGHTER
FLOWN BY THE ARMY AIR CORPS.

182

00:27:40,760 --> 00:27:46,240

WHILE THEY WERE STILL IN TRAINING THEY REASONED
IF THEY WERE' TRAINED AS MULTIENGINE PILOTS

183

00:27:46,240 --> 00:27:52,640

IT WOULD GIVE THEM A LEG ON BEING COMPETITIVE
FOR THIS TWIN ENGINE FIGHTER.

184

00:27:52,640 --> 00:28:00,640

THE MARINE CORPS DIDN'T GET THE P. 38 BUT
THEY GOT THE ENGINE SQUADRON AND NOT THE FIGHTERS

185

00:28:00,640 --> 00:28:05,960

THEY MANEUVERED SO SKILLFULLY TO GET.
BUT JUST ACROSS THE FIELD WERE TWO FIGHTER

186

00:28:05,960 --> 00:28:12,289

SQUADRONS SO HE AND PAL TOM WALKED OVER AND
ASKED FOR A TRANSFER.

187

00:28:12,289 --> 00:28:18,470

THAT STORY SOUNDS SIMPLE NOW, BUT JOHN'S VERSION
INVOLVED BEING CHEWED OUT BY HIS COLONEL LIKE

188

00:28:18,470 --> 00:28:23,409

SOMETHING FROM A MOVIE.
THIS WOULD NOT BE THE LAST TIME JOHN PAID

189

00:28:23,409 --> 00:28:31,220

THE PRICE FOR POSITIONING HIMSELF FOR AN ASSIGNMENT.
ON ANOTHER OCCASION, JOHN ONLY A LIEUTENANT

190

00:28:31,220 --> 00:28:37,270

AT THIS TIME, TALKED CHARLES LINDBERGH INTO
LENDING HIS DEMONSTRATION FIGHTER WHICH LINDBERGH

191

00:28:37,270 --> 00:28:44,400
WAS TOURING TO BASES AROUND THE COUNTRY.
THIS LED TO ANOTHER POINTED CONVERSATION WITH

192
00:28:44,400 --> 00:28:49,039
HIS SQUADRON COMMANDER.
EVEN THEN THE COUNTRY WAS HAVING TO HUSTLE

193
00:28:49,039 --> 00:28:53,799
TO KEEP UP WITH JOHN GLENN.
WE ADMIRERD THE DETERMINATION HE BROUGHT TO

194
00:28:53,799 --> 00:29:01,529
THE WORKS, BUT HE WASN'T IN IT FOR HIMSELF.
SERVICE TO THE NATION WAS PERSONAL FOR HIM.

195
00:29:01,529 --> 00:29:04,870
HE LOST HIS WINGMAN ON HIS VERY FIRST COMBAT
MISSION.

196
00:29:04,870 --> 00:29:09,600
HE UNDERSTOOD THE RISK.
HE KNEW THE HEAVY TASK OF GATHERING A FRIEND'S

197
00:29:09,600 --> 00:29:14,370
PERSONAL EFFECTS AND WRITING THE LETTER TO
THE NEXT OF KIN.

198
00:29:14,370 --> 00:29:19,370
JOHN WENT ON TO FLY 149 COMBAT MISSIONS IN
TWO WARS.

199
00:29:19,370 --> 00:29:23,990
HE NEVER SHIRKED FROM DANGER.
HE THROUGH ENEMY FIRE LIKE A MAGNET GIVING

200
00:29:23,990 --> 00:29:29,429
RISE TO ONE OF HIS MORE INFAMOUS NICK NAMES
WHICH I CAN'T REPEAT HERE.

201

00:29:29,429 --> 00:29:33,570

[LAUGHTER]

HE SHOT DOWN THREE MIGS AND ON TWO OCCASIONS

202

00:29:33,570 --> 00:29:39,309

HE LANDED WITH MORE THAN 250 BULLET HOLES
IN HIS AIRPLANE BUT THE MAN HIMSELF WAS BULLEN

203

00:29:39,309 --> 00:29:43,590

PROOF.
JOHN'S EXEMPLARY SERVICE IN TWO WARS EARNED

204

00:29:43,590 --> 00:29:51,320

HIM A SLOT AS A TEST PILOT.
HIS MOST MEMORABLE MISSION WAS TO FLY SUPERSONIC

205

00:29:51,320 --> 00:29:57,590

ACROSS COUNTRY AND SET THE WORLD SPEED RECORD.
IT'S TO TEST THE DURABILITY OF ENGINES IN

206

00:29:57,590 --> 00:30:02,809

CONTINUOUS AFTER BURNER.
IT'S PURPOSE TO NOTE THE LIMIT ON THOSE ENGINES

207

00:30:02,809 --> 00:30:08,880

WAS FIVE MINUTES.
HE CROSSED THE COUNT COUNTRY IN THREE HOURS,

208

00:30:08,880 --> 00:30:16,020

23 MINUTES AND PROVED THAT THE ENGINE WAS
A LOT BETTER THAN WE THOUGHT IT WAS, BUT HE

209

00:30:16,020 --> 00:30:23,970

CALLED IT PROJECT BUGGETTE BALL HE WAS GOING
TO BE FLYER THAN A 45 CALIBER PISTOL BULLET.

210

00:30:23,970 --> 00:30:30,510

AND IT TURNED OUT DURING THIS FLIGHT UNBEKNOWNstS
TO HIM CONDITIONS WERE PERFECT OVER A PART

211

00:30:30,510 --> 00:30:36,810

OF THE COUNTRY FOR SONIC BOOMS BUT HE DUG
FROM INDIANAPOLIS TO HIS HOME TOWN OF NEW

212

00:30:36,810 --> 00:30:41,430

CONCORD RATTLING WINDOWS THE WHOLE WAY.
IT WASN'T THE LAST THE WORLD WAS TO HEAR FROM

213

00:30:41,430 --> 00:30:46,130

THE WORLD'S FASTEST MARINE.
THE MARINE IS.

214

00:30:46,130 --> 00:30:50,760

(SPEAKING FOREIGN LANGUAGE).
LEAD BY EXAMPLE.

215

00:30:50,760 --> 00:30:58,290

IN JOHN SET A FINE EXAMPLE FOR US.
HIS WINGMEN IN KOREANS TED WILTUMS ONCE CALLED

216

00:30:58,290 --> 00:31:04,559

HIM ONE OF THE CALMEST MEN I'VE EVER MET NO
MATTER HOW PERILOUS THE SITUATION.

217

00:31:04,559 --> 00:31:08,121

HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN REFERRING TO AN OCCASION
WHERE WILLIAMS WAS HIT BY ANTI-AIRCRAFT

218

00:31:08,121 --> 00:31:16,940

FIRE AND HIS PLANE WAS ABLAZE, JOHN POINTED
UP AND THEY CLIMBED TO HIGHER ALTITUDE AND

219

00:31:16,940 --> 00:31:24,400

WITH THE LACK OF OXYGEN THE FLAMES WERE EXTINGUISH
AND WILLIAMS MADE IT BACK TO BATION BEFORE

220

00:31:24,400 --> 00:31:34,020

THIS ONE BEST IMWHEN HE MEANT TO US, HE INVITED
US TO HIS LEVEL WHERE WE DISCOVERED WHAT AN

221

00:31:34,020 --> 00:31:38,720
AMERICAN COULD DO.
HE ONCE SAID HE HAD BEEN A MARINE FOR YEARS

222
00:31:38,720 --> 00:31:44,419
AND IT WASN'T ENOUGH.
WE HAD JOHN FOR 95 GREAT YEARS AND IT'S STILL

223
00:31:44,419 --> 00:31:49,950
WASN'T ENOUGH.
A LONG, FULL LIFE IS A GIFT.

224
00:31:49,950 --> 00:32:00,820
AND JOHN MADE HIS A GIFT TO US ALL.
TODAY WE SAY THANK YOU FOR THE SER VISION

225
00:32:00,820 --> 00:32:11,480
AND SACRIFICE, FOR THE FAITH AND THE FRIENDSHIP
AND FOR ALWAYS LEADING US HIGHER: EVEN THOUGH

226
00:32:11,480 --> 00:32:16,190
THE MARINE'S HYMN WAS WRITTEN OVER 200 YEARS
AGO THEY HAD JOHN GLENN IN MIND WHEN THEY

227
00:32:16,190 --> 00:32:22,590
WROTE THE LINES FIRST TO FIGHT FOR RIGHT AND
FREEDOM AND KEEP OUR HONOR CLEAN.

228
00:32:22,590 --> 00:32:31,320
WE'RE PROUD TO CLAIM THE TITLE OF UNITED STATES
MARINE.

229
00:32:31,320 --> 00:32:37,120
COLONEL JOHN GLENN MADE HIS LAST TAKEOFF AND
HE WILL BE MISSED, BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN.

230
00:32:37,120 --> 00:32:44,980
>> 7, 6, 5, ■■
>> GOD SPEED, JOHN GLENN.

231

00:32:44,980 --> 00:32:52,850

>> 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, IGNITION.

LIFTOFF.

232

00:32:52,850 --> 00:33:02,850

>> WORD ASTRONAUT WASN'T KNOWN BACK WHEN I
WAS GROWING UP.

233

00:33:02,850 --> 00:33:12,390

THAT CAME ALONG LATER.

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234

00:33:12,390 --> 00:33:47,110

>> I LOVED IT.

LIKE TO GO UP EVERYDAY.

235

00:33:47,110 --> 00:33:52,960

>> THIS WEEK OUR NATION HAS BEEN MOURNING
THE LOSS OF ONE OF ITS GREATEST HERO, JOHN

236

00:33:52,960 --> 00:33:57,700

GLENN.

HIS PASSING HAS AFFECTED ME DEEPLY, BUT IN

237

00:33:57,700 --> 00:34:03,650

THE SPIRIT OF OPTIMISM THAT HE HAS ALWAYS
RADIATED, I WOULD ALSO LIKE US TO REMEMBER

238

00:34:03,650 --> 00:34:09,980

HIS MANY ACHIEVEMENTS AND THE PIONEERING SPIRIT
THAT HE EXEMPLIFIED.

239

00:34:09,980 --> 00:34:18,329

I ALSO WANT TO THANK ANNIE.

LYNN, AND DAVID AND THE ENTIRE GLENN FAMILY

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00:34:18,329 --> 00:34:25,040

FOR SHARING THEIR HUSBAND, FATHER, GRANDFATHER
WITH THE WORLD.

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00:34:25,040 --> 00:34:31,220

EVERY ONE OF US ON PLANET EARTH HAS BENEFITED
FROM HAVING HIM ON OUR TEAM.

242

00:34:31,220 --> 00:34:40,200

ANNIE, YOU AND JOHN EXEMPLIFIED FOR ALL OF
US WHAT IT MEANS TO BE UNITED AS A COUPLE.

243

00:34:40,200 --> 00:34:46,200

YOUR LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP OVER 73 YEARS IS
UNLIKE ANYTHING I'VE EVER SEEN.

244

00:34:46,200 --> 00:34:52,079

I'M GLAD AND INCREDIBLY BLESSED THAT I WAS
ABLING TO WITNESS YOUR DEVOTION.

245

00:34:52,079 --> 00:34:57,239

I HOPE JACKIE AND I CAN EMULATE YOUR LIFE
TIME OF LOVE.

246

00:34:57,239 --> 00:35:02,380

I WAS SO MOVED AND HUMORED WHEN I CALLED JOHN
AND ANNIE EARLIER THIS YEAR TO CONGRATULATE

247

00:35:02,380 --> 00:35:09,099

THEM ON THEIR 73rd ANNIVERSARY.
WHEN JOHN PUT ANNIE ON THE PHONE HE SAID,

248

00:35:09,099 --> 00:35:18,059

SHE SAID, AND I QUOTE, CHARLIE, YOU KNOW,
I THINK THIS IS GOING TO WORK.

249

00:35:18,059 --> 00:35:22,839

[LAUGHTER.]

UNQUOTE.

250

00:35:22,839 --> 00:35:28,470

JOHN GLENN ALWAYS SAID YES.
YES TO HIS COUNTRY'S CALL AND THE UNITED STATES

251

00:35:28,470 --> 00:35:33,670

MARINE CORPS.

YES TOOK THE FIRST AMERICAN TO ORBIT EARTH

252

00:35:33,670 --> 00:35:39,079

AS ONE OF MERCURY 7.

YES TO HIS STATE'S NOMINATION TO SERVE IN

253

00:35:39,079 --> 00:35:44,920

THE SENATE AND YES TO THE ONGOING CALL OF

HIS NATION TO HELP IT FORGE A PATH THROUGH

254

00:35:44,920 --> 00:35:51,319

A NEW MILLENNIUM.

IT WAS COURAGE, GRACE AND HUMILITY JOHN DISPLAYED

255

00:35:51,319 --> 00:35:56,150

THROUGH HIS LIFE THAT LIFTED HIM ABOVE THE

STARS.

256

00:35:56,150 --> 00:36:02,230

AS THE CURRENT HEAD OF NASA I CAN SAY UNEQUIVOCALLY

THAT WE'RE STANDING ON JOHN GLENN'S SHOULDERS

257

00:36:02,230 --> 00:36:13,829

AS WE PURSUE A SUPERHUMAN VOYAGE TO MARS.

I KNOW THAT AND IN COUNTLESS OTHER ASTRONAUTS

258

00:36:13,829 --> 00:36:20,640

WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF FOLLOWING SENATOR

GLENN INTO SPACE CAN PINPOINT HIS REMARKABLE

259

00:36:20,640 --> 00:36:27,910

ACCOMPLISHMENT AS THE FIRST AMERICAN TO ORBIT

EARTH AS THE SEED OF OUR ASPIRATIONS.

260

00:36:27,910 --> 00:36:35,839

EVEN IN HIS 70s, HE CONTINUED TO BREAK BARRIERS

AS HE TOOK TO SPACE AGAIN IN THE SPACE SHUTTLE.

261

00:36:35,839 --> 00:36:41,809

I WAS SO PROUD TO SEE THIS AMERICAN LEGEND
SOAR AGAIN ON DISCOVERY'S S. C. S. 95 MISSION.

262

00:36:41,809 --> 00:36:46,369

JUST AS WITH HIS FIRST LIGHT HE PLANTED A
SEED.

263

00:36:46,369 --> 00:36:52,160

SOMEDAY AMERICAN FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE MIGHT
EXPERIENCE SPACE AND THE WONDER OF OUR PLANET

264

00:36:52,160 --> 00:37:01,849

FROM ORBIT AND SEE IT AS A UNIFIED WHOLE.
KENNEDY SPACE CENTER BOB CABANA RECALLS

265

00:37:01,849 --> 00:37:09,009

THE TIME JUST HOW EXCITED JOHN WAS TO ONCE
AGAIN BE ONE OF THE GUYS.

266

00:37:09,009 --> 00:37:14,670

AND HOW HAPPY AND BLESSED HE FELT TO CONTINUE
HIS ROLE IN THE SPACE PROGRAM HE LOVED AND

267

00:37:14,670 --> 00:37:21,190

VALUED SO MUCH.
STEVE LYNNSKI WHO IS WITH US TODAY FLEW WITH

268

00:37:21,190 --> 00:37:25,700

JOHN GLENN AS THE PILOT OF S. T. S. 95 ON
DISCOVERY.

269

00:37:25,700 --> 00:37:30,969

STEVE SAID AND I QUOTE, WHAT I LEARNED ABOUT
JOHN THROUGH THAT EXPERIENCE IS THAT HE WAS

270

00:37:30,969 --> 00:37:35,219

AUTHENTIC.
EVERY BIT THE HERO THE WORLD AND OUR NATION

271

00:37:35,219 --> 00:37:42,469
HOLDS HIM TO BE.
JOHN WAS AT HIS CORE A MAN OF INTEGRITY, HUMILITY

272
00:37:42,469 --> 00:37:46,200
AND KINDNESS.
SOMEONE WHO PUT OTHERS AHEAD OF HIMSELF, A

273
00:37:46,200 --> 00:37:52,579
TEAM PLAYER.
AND SOMEONE YOU COULD ALWAYS COUNT ON, UNQUOTE.

274
00:37:52,579 --> 00:37:57,119
JOHN GLENN ALWAYS REMEMBERED THE BEST OF OUR
AMERICAN IDEALS.

275
00:37:57,119 --> 00:38:04,279
HIS PERSONAL POPULARITY WAS ENORMOUS.
PERHAPS BECAUSE HE WAS SO APPROACHABLE, SO

276
00:38:04,279 --> 00:38:07,400
GENUINE.
PEOPLE FELT AS THOUGH HE COULD SIT DOWN IN

277
00:38:07,400 --> 00:38:13,510
THEIR PARLOR FOR A CHAT AND BE RIGHT AT HOME.
OR LIKE STEVE LYNNSKI SAYS THAT HE WOULD BE

278
00:38:13,510 --> 00:38:19,089
A GREAT NEIGHBOR.
JOHN GLENN WAS DEEPLY COMPASSIONATE.

279
00:38:19,089 --> 00:38:24,709
HE VALUED EVERYONE, NO MATTER HIS RACE, OR
GENDER.

280
00:38:24,709 --> 00:38:31,339
HE WAS AHEAD OF HIS TIME IN MANY WAYS.
IT WAS HE WHO PERSONALLY REQUESTED THE KATHARINE

281

00:38:31,339 --> 00:38:37,640

JOHNSON, A BLACK WOMAN FROM WEST VIRGINIA
FROM WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA,

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00:38:37,640 --> 00:38:44,690

WORKING AS A HUMAN COMPUTER AT THE LANGLEY
RESEARCH CENTER, HE REQUESTED THAT KATHARINE

283

00:38:44,690 --> 00:38:50,859

JOHNSON DO THE VERIFYING OF THE CALCULATIONS
FOR HIS HISTORIC FLIGHT AS A BACKUP TO THE

284

00:38:50,859 --> 00:38:56,770

I. B. M. ELECTRIC COMPUTER.
JOHN WAS JUST LIKE THAT.

285

00:38:56,770 --> 00:39:02,280

JOHN MADE US LOOK UP.
NOT ONLY TO THE SKY THINKING WE MIGHT ACTUALLY

286

00:39:02,280 --> 00:39:08,479

BE ABLE TO SEE HIM UP THERE, BUT TOWARDS THE
HIGHER PURPOSE THAT WE AS A COUNTRY A ALWAYS

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00:39:08,479 --> 00:39:14,079

STRIVING TO ACHIEVE.
HE REPRESENTED INNOVATION AND BRAVERY AND

288

00:39:14,079 --> 00:39:21,309

WITH THAT INFECTIOUS GRIN, HE MADE US ALL
FEEL GOOD ABOUT OURSELVES.

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00:39:21,309 --> 00:39:25,441

JOHN FIRST FLEW TO SPACE ABOARD FRIENDSHIP
7 AND HE WAS TRULY A FRIEND OF HUMANITY.

290

00:39:25,441 --> 00:39:33,900

A DARING PILOT, WHO RISKED HIS LIFE IN WORLD
WAR 2 AND KOREA AND WORKED TIRELESSLY TO ADVANCE

291

00:39:33,900 --> 00:39:39,190

THE FIELD OF AVIATION LONG BEFORE HE TOOK
TO SPACE.

292

00:39:39,190 --> 00:39:49,730

HE DARED THE UTMOST ON BEHALF OF US ALL.
IT IS FITTING THAT THIS DAY ALSO MARKS THE

293

00:39:49,730 --> 00:39:56,339

113th ANNIVERSARY OF THE WRIGHT BROTHERS FIRST
POWERED FLIGHT.

294

00:39:56,339 --> 00:40:05,660

JUST AS JOHN ADVANCED THE FRONTIERS OF AVIATION,
THAT'S RIGHT, LYNN, SO, TOO, WE WILL FOLLOW

295

00:40:05,660 --> 00:40:11,670

HIS LEGACY TO US.
TO TRAVEL FARTHER INTO SPACE.

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00:40:11,670 --> 00:40:17,880

JOHN GLENN RECEIVED MANY ACCOLADES.
BUT HIS TRUE MEASURE IS TAKEN NOT IN AWARDS,

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00:40:17,880 --> 00:40:23,839

BUT IN THE RESPECT HE STILL COMMANDS ON BOTH
ENDS OF THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM.

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00:40:23,839 --> 00:40:28,900

BY THE LARGE SHADOW HE CAST ON OUR ENTIRE
ENDEAVOR TO TRAVEL FARTHER INTO THE SOLAR

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00:40:28,900 --> 00:40:37,660

SYSTEM AND BY THE BLIGHT FLAME OF HIS INSPIRATION
WHICH CONTINUES TO ILLUMINATE OUR WAY.

300

00:40:37,660 --> 00:40:44,889

GOD SPEED, JOHN GLENN, AND THANK YOU, WE'LL
NEVER FORGET YOU.

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00:40:44,889 --> 00:40:58,709

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>> I DECIDED IT WAS TIME TO GO AND DO SOME

302
00:40:58,709 --> 00:41:04,430
OTHER THINGS.
I THOUGHT ABOUT POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT WORK,

303
00:41:04,430 --> 00:41:08,009
SOMETIME BUT I HAD NO IDEA THAT I EVER WOULD
BE ABLE TO DO THAT MYSELF.

304
00:41:08,009 --> 00:41:10,199
YOU KNOW, I THOUGHT ABOUT THAT SINCE I WAGS
A KID.

305
00:41:10,199 --> 00:41:14,359
I WAS PROUD OF MY COMBAT SERVICE I HAD IN
WORLD WAR 2 AND KOREA.

306
00:41:14,359 --> 00:41:22,160
PROUD OF THE TEST WORK I HAD DONE AND IF I
WASN'T CONTINUING THERE WHERE COULD I DO THE

307
00:41:22,160 --> 00:41:28,220
BEST FOR COUNTRY?
THAT'S WHERE I DECIDED TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE.

308
00:41:28,220 --> 00:41:32,200
YOUR INTEREST IN THE SENATE OR ACROSS THE
BREADTH AND TO THE DEPTH OF EVERYTHING THAT

309
00:41:32,200 --> 00:41:41,909
IS IN THIS COUNTRY.

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310
00:41:41,909 --> 00:42:00,719
>> WHEN JOHN GLENN WAS 10 YEARS OLD, HIS FATHER,
HIS HERO, A VETERAN OF WORLD WAR 1 TAUGHT

311

00:42:00,719 --> 00:42:07,499

HIM HOW TO PLAY TAPS ON THE BUGLE.
THEY PLAYED TOGETHER MEMORIAL IN NEW CONCORD,

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00:42:07,499 --> 00:42:13,839

SMALL FLAGS AND FLOWERS NEXT TO GRAVE SITES,
GRAVESTONES OF THE FALLEN.

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00:42:13,839 --> 00:42:19,880

AND JOHN WOULD RECALL THAT TIME AND FEELING
WHEN HE SAID, WHERE LOVE OF COUNTRY WAS A

314

00:42:19,880 --> 00:42:26,760

GIVEN, DEFENSE OF ITS IDEALS WAS AN OBLIGATION,
AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN IN ITS CONQWEST

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00:42:26,760 --> 00:42:34,130

AND EXPLORATIONS WAS A CHALLENGE NOT ONLY
TO FULFILL A SACRED DUTY, BUT TO JOIN THE

316

00:42:34,130 --> 00:42:38,470

JOYOUS ADVENTURE.
WITH JOHN ALL THE YEARS I KNEW HIM AND WORKED

317

00:42:38,470 --> 00:42:45,109

WITH HIM WAS ALWAYS A JOYOUS ADVENTURE.
ANNIE, WHAT A JOYOUS ADVENTURE YOU AND JOHN

318

00:42:45,109 --> 00:42:49,310

HAD TOGETHER.
ON DISPLAY FOR YOUR CHILDREN AND THE WHOLE

319

00:42:49,310 --> 00:42:52,869

WORLD TO SEE.
YOU ALL KNOW IT.

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00:42:52,869 --> 00:42:57,959

YOU CAN TELL WHEN A COUPLE REALLY GENUINELY
LOVES AND ENJOYS ONE ANOTHER.

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00:42:57,959 --> 00:43:03,410

IT WAS INFECTIOUS.

ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT OBAMA AND THE FIRST

322

00:43:03,410 --> 00:43:08,120

LADY AND ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

JILL AND I ARE HERE BECAUSE WE LOVE YOU, ANNIE

323

00:43:08,120 --> 00:43:16,509

AND WE LOVE JOHN.

AND TOGETHER, YOU TAUGHT US ALL HOW TO LOVE.

324

00:43:16,509 --> 00:43:22,989

THAT IS NOT SOMETHING USUALLY YOU TALK ABOUT

WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT HEROES, ESPECIALLY HEROES

325

00:43:22,989 --> 00:43:31,719

LIKE JOHN GLENN WHO LIVED A LIFE THAT WAS

RIGOROUS BUT TINGED WITH A LITTLE BIT OF MAGIC.

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00:43:31,719 --> 00:43:39,529

JUST A LITTLE BIT OF MAGIC.

WE TALK ABOUT DARING SPIRIT, POISE UNDER PRESSURE,

327

00:43:39,529 --> 00:43:45,069

MENTAL AND PHYSICAL TOUGHNESS.

BUT FOR ALL HIS HEROISM, THAT HISTORY WILL

328

00:43:45,069 --> 00:43:53,109

REMEMBER IN WAR, IN SPACE, IN PUBLIC LIFE,

YOU FELT SOMETHING DEEP DEEPER WITH JOHN.

329

00:43:53,109 --> 00:44:00,690

ANNIE, ON THE WAY TO GET TO AIR FORCE 2 I

GOT A CALL FROM JOHN KERRY WHO IS SOMEWHERE

330

00:44:00,690 --> 00:44:08,240

OVER THE ATLANTIC ON THE WAY TO ANOTHER MISSION

IN THE MIDEAST TO TRY TO DEAL WITH YEMEN.

331

00:44:08,240 --> 00:44:15,819

AND HE TOLD ME ABOUT HIS TIME HE GOT TO SPEND WITH YOU A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO AND THE FAMILY.

332

00:44:15,819 --> 00:44:20,489

HE POINTED OUT HE SAID, JOE, YOU KNOW, JOHN IS ONLY THE 9th PERSON IN HISTORY IN THE STATE

333

00:44:20,489 --> 00:44:24,390

OF OHIO TO LIE IN STATE.
GOVERNOR, I DIDN'T KNOW THAT.

334

00:44:24,390 --> 00:44:31,099

ONLY THE 9th IN HISTORY.
HE SAID THAT HE TALKED ABOUT HOW MUCH IT MEANT

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00:44:31,099 --> 00:44:37,790

TO HIM, AND TO BE WITH YOU.
AND HE GAVE SPONTANEOUSLY WHAT I THINK IS

336

00:44:37,790 --> 00:44:42,069

MAYBE THE BEST DESCRIPTION OF JOHN GLENN I'VE EVER HEARD.

337

00:44:42,069 --> 00:44:48,190

AND I KNEW JOHN FOR 40 YEARS.
HE SAID, JOHN CAME OUT OF THE HEART OF THE

338

00:44:48,190 --> 00:44:54,800

COUNTRY LIKE YOU KIDS DO, AND HE STOLE AMERICA'S HEART.

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00:44:54,800 --> 00:45:00,599

CAME OUT OF THE HEART OF THE COUNTRY AND HE STOLE AMERICA'S HEART.

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00:45:00,599 --> 00:45:05,259

HE DID.
HE STOLE AMERICA'S HEART.

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00:45:05,259 --> 00:45:14,000

I REMEMBER AS A KID FRESHMAN IN COLLEGE, AND JOHN'S HISTORIC FLIGHT AND ANNIE, YOU AND

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00:45:14,000 --> 00:45:16,579

JOHN AND JILL AND I HAVE BEEN FRIENDS FOR 40 YEARS.

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00:45:16,579 --> 00:45:22,720

I KNOW OTHERS HAVE LONGER RELATIONSHIPS BUT WHAT A WONDERFUL 40 YEARS IT HAS BEEN, WE

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00:45:22,720 --> 00:45:27,339

SERVED IN THE SENATE TOGETHER SIDE BY SIDE FOR 25 YEARS, AND WE TRAVELLED AROUND THE

345

00:45:27,339 --> 00:45:33,209

WORLD TOGETHER. JOHN WAS ONE OF THE HAPPIEST PEOPLE I EVER

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00:45:33,209 --> 00:45:35,729

KNEW. NO, THINK ABOUT IT.

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00:45:35,729 --> 00:45:42,759

ONE OF THE HAPPIEST PEOPLE I EVER KNEW. HE HAD THAT INFECTIOUS SMILE EVEN WHEN THINGS

348

00:45:42,759 --> 00:45:47,989

LOOKED LIKE EVERYTHING WAS CRASHING DOWN. JOHN WOULD WALK IN MY OFFICE OR CAULK INTO

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00:45:47,989 --> 00:45:53,539

THE CAUCUS WITH THE BIG SMILE AND I WONDER WHERE IN THE HELL HAS HE BEEN?

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00:45:53,539 --> 00:45:58,089

[LAUGHTER] DID HE NOT JUST HEAR WHAT I JUST HEARD?

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00:45:58,089 --> 00:46:00,759

[LAUGHTER]

YOU THINK I'M KIDDING.

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00:46:00,759 --> 00:46:02,900

I'M NOT KIDDING.

[LAUGHTER.]

353

00:46:02,900 --> 00:46:10,619

BUT THE WORLD KNEW AND EXPECTED JOHN.
FROM COLUMBUS TO CAMBODIA, FROM WASHINGTON

354

00:46:10,619 --> 00:46:16,099

TO BEIJING.
HE LOVED BEING A SENATOR.

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00:46:16,099 --> 00:46:21,109

HE LOVED HIS CONSTITUENTS AND HIS COLLEAGUES.
HE LOVED HIS STAFF, MANY OF WHOM ARE HERE

356

00:46:21,109 --> 00:46:27,829

TODAY AND BOY, DID THEY LOVE HIM BACK.
YOU CAN FEEL HIS LOVE FOR HIS COUNTRY AND

357

00:46:27,829 --> 00:46:31,760

FOR HIS STATE.
AND FOR THE MARINE CORPS.

358

00:46:31,760 --> 00:46:38,680

HE WAS PARTIAL TO NASA.
BUT MOST ESPECIALLY, HE FELT HIS LOVE FORE,

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00:46:38,680 --> 00:46:49,270

ANNIE AND FOR DAVE AND LYNN AND HIS GRANDCHILDREN.
ALL YOU HAD TO DO AS I SAID WAS WE JOHN AND

360

00:46:49,270 --> 00:46:54,269

ANNIE JUST WALK TOGETHER.
JUST THE WAY THEY LOOKED AT EACH OTHER AND

361

00:46:54,269 --> 00:46:57,359

YOU KNEW.

THAT IS WHAT IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE.

362

00:46:57,359 --> 00:47:01,729

I SAY THAT TO ANNIE TODAY BEFORE WE CLAIM
CAME IN AND I SAID THAT IS LIKE YOU AND JILL,

363

00:47:01,729 --> 00:47:09,079

I SAID NO, THAT IS DIFFERENT, EVERYBODY KNOWS
I LOVE JILL MORE THAN SHE LOVES ME.

364

00:47:09,079 --> 00:47:14,539

I THINK YOU LOVED HIM JUST AS MUCH.
[LAUGHTER]

365

00:47:14,539 --> 00:47:24,059

THE LAST TIME WE WERE TOGETHER, WHEN JILL
AND I HAD ANNIE AND JOHN OVER TO THE VICE

366

00:47:24,059 --> 00:47:29,509

PRESIDENT'S RESIDENCE WAS ■■ I WAS LOOKING
AT THE PICTURE THIS MORNING OF YOU GUYS WALKING

367

00:47:29,509 --> 00:47:38,209

OUT TO THE GATE AND JILL AND I BEHIND YOU
AND THE WORDS OF THE POET CHRISTOPHER MARLEAU

368

00:47:38,209 --> 00:47:43,910

LITERALLY CAME TO MIND AND I HAD TO REWRITE
THIS.

369

00:47:43,910 --> 00:47:49,430

CHRISTOPHER MARLEAU SAID COME WITH ME AND
BE MY LOVE.

370

00:47:49,430 --> 00:48:04,339

AND ALL THE PLEASURES WE SHALL PROVE.
TOGETHER, ANNIE, EXCUSE ME, YOU AND JOHN PROVED

371

00:48:04,339 --> 00:48:10,240

ALL THE PLEASURES.

YOU NOT ONLY HAD A MAGICAL LOVE AFFAIR, THE

372

00:48:10,240 --> 00:48:16,640

OTHER THING ABOUT YOU, YOU WERE' PARTNERS.

YOU WERE PARTNERS.

373

00:48:16,640 --> 00:48:24,010

TOGETHER YOU BORE THE WEIGHT OF FAME AND RESPONSIBILITY

WITH ENORMOUS HUMILITY.

374

00:48:24,010 --> 00:48:32,569

THE SENSE OF DUTY THAT DEFINED YOU AS THE

GREATEST OF AMERICA'S GREATEST GENERATION.

375

00:48:32,569 --> 00:48:37,150

I THINK JOHN DEFINED WHAT IT MEANT TO BE AMERICA,

WHAT IT MEANT TO BE AN AMERICAN.

376

00:48:37,150 --> 00:48:42,539

WHAT WE'RE ABOUT.

JUST BY HOW HE ACTED.

377

00:48:42,539 --> 00:48:48,239

WAS ALWAYS ABOUT PROMISE.

WE WERE A COUNTRY OF POSSIBILITIES.

378

00:48:48,239 --> 00:48:51,989

OPPORTUNITIES.

ALWAYS A BELIEF IN TOMORROW.

379

00:48:51,989 --> 00:48:56,469

TOMORROW.

WHEN JOHN WAS AT THE HOUSE A COUPLE OF YEARS

380

00:48:56,469 --> 00:49:00,969

AGO THAT'S ALL HE KEPT TALKING ABOUT.

WAS WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW JOE, WHAT

381

00:49:00,969 --> 00:49:05,660

ARE YOU GOING TO DO TOMORROW?
WE HAVE ALL THESE OPPORTUNITIES.

382

00:49:05,660 --> 00:49:13,109

TOGETHER YOU AND JOHN TAUGHT US THAT A GOOD
LIFE IS BUILT NOT ON A SINGLE HISTORIC ACT

383

00:49:13,109 --> 00:49:23,529

OR MULTIPLE ACTS OF HEROISM BUT A THOUSAND
LITTLE THINGS THAT BUILD CHARACTER.

384

00:49:23,529 --> 00:49:28,819

TREATING EVERYONE WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT.
JOHN WAS ONE OF THE FEW OF MY COLLEAGUES WHEN

385

00:49:28,819 --> 00:49:35,619

GIVE TO THE RESTROOM WITH A SHOE SHINE GUY
JOHN WOULD PAT HIM ON THE SHOULDER AND GIVE

386

00:49:35,619 --> 00:49:42,839

HIM A HUG.
UNDERSTANDING THAT DESPITE FAME AND POSITION,

387

00:49:42,839 --> 00:49:47,749

EVERYBODY WAS JOHN'S EQUAL.
EVERYBODY WAS JOHN'S EQUAL.

388

00:49:47,749 --> 00:49:55,660

IN HIS MIND.
THAT ALL COMES DOWN TO BEING PERSONAL.

389

00:49:55,660 --> 00:50:01,170

PRESIDENT ALWAYS KIDS ME, ANNIE, BECAUSE I'M
GETTING OLD ENOUGH I COULD TRY TO IMMOVE ON

390

00:50:01,170 --> 00:50:05,239

TIP O'NEIL'S ADMONITION ABOUT ALL POLITICS
IS LOCAL.

391

00:50:05,239 --> 00:50:13,479

I DON'T THINK JOHN WOULD AGREE WITH THAT.
I THINK AND HE THOUGHT ALL POLITICS IS PERSONAL.

392

00:50:13,479 --> 00:50:18,680

IT'S ALL PERSONAL.
ALL COMES DOWN TO BEING PERSONAL.

393

00:50:18,680 --> 00:50:23,559

TO BEING THERE FOR FAMILY AND FOR BEING THERE
FOR FRIENDS.

394

00:50:23,559 --> 00:50:32,160

IN GOOD TIMES AND IN BAD TIMES.
LIKE YOU AND JOHN WERE THERE FOR ME AND JILL

395

00:50:32,160 --> 00:50:35,749

WHEN I WAS IN THE HOSPITAL.
YOU WERE THERE FOR US WHEN OUR SON BEAU WAS

396

00:50:35,749 --> 00:50:40,489

DEPLOYED AND YOU WERE THERE WHEN WE BURIED
HIM.

397

00:50:40,489 --> 00:50:49,180

IT'S ALL ABOUT BEING PERSONAL.
ANNIE, YOU AND JOHN AS MENTIONED EARLIER BY

398

00:50:49,180 --> 00:50:56,709

THE FIRST SPEAKER W I HAPPENED TO BE WITH
ETHEL KENNEDY AT AN AWARDS CEREMONY IN NEW

399

00:50:56,709 --> 00:51:08,489

YORK, RIM OF HOPE CEREMONY, AND I WAS IRONICALLY
A FELLOW WHO RUNS MY OFFICE SHOW AN OHIO GUY

400

00:51:08,489 --> 00:51:14,170

SAID, JOHN WASN'T DOING WELL.
YOU OUGHT TO CALL JOHN.

401

00:51:14,170 --> 00:51:17,829
AND I WAS, HAD THE BRIEF DISCUSSION WITH ETHEY
WILL.

402
00:51:17,829 --> 00:51:23,270
THE STORY ■■ ETHEL.
THE STORY IS WELL KNOWN ABOUT HIM TALKING

403
00:51:23,270 --> 00:51:28,969
TO THE KIDS AND BEING SENT BACK TO HICKORY
HILL BUT WHAT STRUCK ME WAS THAT I WAS TOLD

404
00:51:28,969 --> 00:51:38,719
THAT WHEN YOU AND JOHN GOT TO HICKORY HILL
JOHN WALKED INTO SENATOR KENNEDY'S PRIVATE

405
00:51:38,719 --> 00:51:47,349
STUDY AND SAW THAT ROBERT KENNEDY WHO WAS
THE ONLY POLITICAL RIVAL I EVER HAD IN MY

406
00:51:47,349 --> 00:51:56,049
LIFE HAD A BOOK OF FURAL WALDO EMERSON'S POETRY
AND IT WAS OPENED UP IN THE MARGINS OF THE

407
00:51:56,049 --> 00:52:08,489
BOOK WERE COMMENTS MADE BY ROBERT KENNEDY.
AND THE PASSAGE THAT JOHN I'M TOLD REMEMBERED

408
00:52:08,489 --> 00:52:18,699
WAS WHEN EMERSON SAID "THIS TIME LIKE ALL
TIMES IS A VERY GOOD ONE IF WE BUT KNOW WHAT

409
00:52:18,699 --> 00:52:26,369
TO DO WITH IT."
THE THING THAT I LIKED MOST ABOUT JOHN IS

410
00:52:26,369 --> 00:52:32,569
HE KNEW ORDINARY AMERICANS COULD DO EXTRAORDINARY
THINGS.

411

00:52:32,569 --> 00:52:35,520

ORDINARY AMERICANS COULD DO EXTRAORDINARY THINGS.

412

00:52:35,520 --> 00:52:45,969

HE BELIEVED, I BELIEVE, HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT EVERY SUCCESSFUL, EVERY SUCCESSIVE GENERATION

413

00:52:45,969 --> 00:52:54,990

WOULD KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT. THAT IS THE CHARGE I THINK JOHN LEFT US, ANNIE,

414

00:52:54,990 --> 00:53:03,191

TO JOIN OUR NATION'S CONQUEST AND THE OUR NATION'S EXPLORATIONS AS A CHALLENGE, NOT

415

00:53:03,191 --> 00:53:09,859

ONLY TO FULFILL A SACRED DUTY, BUT TO JOIN IN THIS JOYOUS ADVENTURE.

416

00:53:09,859 --> 00:53:16,880

SO MARINES, WHEN THE MARINE PLAYS TAPS, ON THE BUGLE AT ARLINGTON FOR OUR FRIEND, WE

417

00:53:16,880 --> 00:53:25,599

CAN LOOK DEEP INTO THE HEAVENS AND KNOW WITH CERTITUDE THAT JOHN BELIEVED AND WAS RIGHT

418

00:53:25,599 --> 00:53:35,739

THAT FUTURE GENERATIONS OF AMERICANS WILL ALSO LOOK DEEP WITHIN THE HEAVENS AND UNDERSTAND

419

00:53:35,739 --> 00:53:44,279

HOW TO EXPLORE, HOW TO SERVE, HOW TO LOVE. THEY'LL COME TO UNDERSTAND THAT AS WE'RE LOOKING

420

00:53:44,279 --> 00:53:52,549

NOR A MESSAGE TO SEND ABOUT OUR TIME HERE ON EARTH, FOR WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN AMERICAN,

421

00:53:52,549 --> 00:54:00,030

IT'S THE LIFE OF JOHN GLENN, AND THAT IS NOT
HYPERBOLE.

422

00:54:00,030 --> 00:54:14,250

GOD BLESS YOU, JOHN, GOD BLESS YOU, ANNIE.
MAY GOD PROTECT OUR TROOPS.

423

00:54:14,250 --> 00:54:21,460

¶¶.
HYPERBOLE HYPERBOLE

424

00:54:21,460 --> 00:54:46,690

¶¶.
OH, BEAUTIFUL, FOR SPACIOUS SKIES FOR AMBER

425

00:54:46,690 --> 00:54:58,640

WAVES OF GRAIN.
¶¶ FOR PURPLE MOUNTAIN MAJESTY'S ABOVE THE

426

00:54:58,640 --> 00:55:05,089

FRUITED PLAIN.
¶¶ AMERICA, AMERICA, GOD SHED HIS GRACE

427

00:55:05,089 --> 00:55:28,549

ON THEE.
¶¶ AND CROWNED THE THY GOOD WITH BROTHERHOOD

428

00:55:28,549 --> 00:56:39,349

FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA.
¶¶ OH, BEAUTIFUL FOR AMERICA, AMERICA,.

429

00:56:39,349 --> 00:56:46,430

¶¶
[SINGING]

430

00:56:46,430 --> 00:56:50,509

¶¶
>> THIS IS A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MARK.

431

00:56:50,509 --> 00:56:55,880

ONE OF THE SCRIBES CAME NEAR AND HEARD THEM
DISPUTING WITH ONE ANOTHER AND SEEING THAT

432

00:56:55,880 --> 00:57:03,109

JESUS ANSWERED THEM WELL HE ASKED HIM, WHICH
COMMANDMENT IS THE FIRST OF ALL?

433

00:57:03,109 --> 00:57:09,299

JESUS ANSWERED THE FIRST IS HEAR OH, ISRAEL,
THE LORD OUR GOD, THE LORD IS ONE.

434

00:57:09,299 --> 00:57:15,769

YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL
YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL

435

00:57:15,769 --> 00:57:23,829

YOUR MIND AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.
THE SECOND IS THIS: YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

436

00:57:23,829 --> 00:57:27,979

AS YOURSELF.
THERE IS NO OTHER COMMANDMENT GREATER THAN

437

00:57:27,979 --> 00:57:41,400

THESE.
>> A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE

438

00:57:41,400 --> 00:57:51,869

PHILIPPIANS.
FINALLY, BELOVED, WHATEVER IS TRUE, WHATEVER

439

00:57:51,869 --> 00:58:03,760

IS HONORABLE, WHATEVER IS JUST, WHATEVER IS
PURE, WHATEVER IS PLEASING, WHATEVER IS COMMENDABLE,

440

00:58:03,760 --> 00:58:15,809

IF THERE IS EXCELLENCE AND IF THERE IS ANYTHING
WORTHY OF PRAISE, THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS.

441

00:58:15,809 --> 00:58:25,170
KEEP ON DOING THE THINGS THAT YOU HAVE LEARNED
AND RECEIVED AND HEARD AND SEEN IN ME AND

442

00:58:25,170 --> 00:58:42,729
THE GOD OF PEACE WILL BE WITH YOU.
HERE ENDS THE READING.

443

00:58:42,729 --> 00:58:55,689
[APPLAUSE]
¶¶

444

00:58:55,689 --> 00:59:00,900
>> GOING BACK TO NEW CONCORD DAYS AND WHAT
MAYBE I EXPERIENCE IMMEDIATE SELF THERE IS

445

00:59:00,900 --> 00:59:05,599
SOME OF WHAT I'M TRYING TO PASS ON NOW TO
OTHERS WITH OUR SCHOOL HERE.

446

00:59:05,599 --> 00:59:10,289
>> HOW DO YOU INSPIRE CITIZENSHIP, HOW DO
YOU GIVE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE A FEELING OF PRIDE

447

00:59:10,289 --> 00:59:16,089
AND COMMUNITY WHERE THEY'RE WILLING TO GO
OUT AND ENGAGE IN POLITICAL ACTIVITY?

448

00:59:16,089 --> 00:59:21,150
THESE ARE THE THINGS I HOPE WE CAN INSTILL
IN PEOPLE, NOT ONLY HERE IN OHIO BUT MAYBE

449

00:59:21,150 --> 00:59:29,459
ACROSS COUNTRY.
¶¶

450

00:59:29,459 --> 01:00:12,849
>> THIS IS QUITE A CROWD.
TO ALL OF YOU WHO CAME HERE TODAY, THANK YOU

451

01:00:12,849 --> 01:00:18,890
SO VERY, VERY MUCH.
IT MEANS A LOT TO OUR FAMILY.

452
01:00:18,890 --> 01:00:23,229
WE REALLY WERE NOT READY TO SAY GOODBYE
TO HIM YET.

453
01:00:23,229 --> 01:00:29,700
HIS MIND WAS SHARP AS A TACK BUT HIS BODY
WAS FAILING HIM.

454
01:00:29,700 --> 01:00:34,700
THIS HAD TO BE.
I'M GOING TO SPEAK ABOUT MY FATHER FROM THE

455
01:00:34,700 --> 01:00:40,589
PERSPECTIVE OF BEING HIS SON, BUT I'VE HAD
A HUGE AMOUNT OF DIFFICULTY DECIDING WHAT

456
01:00:40,589 --> 01:00:45,039
TO SAY ABOUT HIM.
IN THE END I JUST DECIDED TO GO WITH THE THINGS

457
01:00:45,039 --> 01:00:50,819
I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT TODAY BECAUSE THEY'RE
REALLY STUCK IN MY HEAD AND MY HEART.

458
01:00:50,819 --> 01:00:58,259
I'LL START OFF TALKING ABOUT HIS MEMORIES
AND THEN SHARE SOME OF MY MEMORIES OF HIM.

459
01:00:58,259 --> 01:01:07,719
I CAN'T REALLY SAY FOR SURE WHAT MADE HIM
THE WAY HE WAS, BUT HE WAS BORN IN A HAPPY

460
01:01:07,719 --> 01:01:14,180
HOME WITH TWO PARENTS WHO LOVED HIM DEEPLY.
AND HE GREW UP IN A CLASSIC AMERICAN SMALL

461

01:01:14,180 --> 01:01:20,789
TOWN, NEW CONCORD, OHIO.
WHERE HE COULD ADVENTURE AND EXPLORE TO HIS

462
01:01:20,789 --> 01:01:27,339
HEART'S CONTENT.
THERE WAS A TERRIFIC COMMUNITY SPIRIT THERE.

463
01:01:27,339 --> 01:01:31,509
FOCUSED AROUND CHURCH AND SCHOOL AND TOWN
ACTIVITIES.

464
01:01:31,509 --> 01:01:40,369
HE TOLD US LOTS OF STORIES ABOUT HIS FRIENDS
AND MY MOTHER ANNIE.

465
01:01:40,369 --> 01:01:45,069
IN PARTICULAR, HE NEVER FORGOT THE EFFECT
OF THE GREAT DEPRESSION ON NEW CONCORD.

466
01:01:45,069 --> 01:01:50,989
WHEN HE WAS A KID LATE ONE NIGHT HE OVERHEARD
HIS PARENTS TALKING ABOUT HOW THEY WERE GOING

467
01:01:50,989 --> 01:01:56,709
TO LOSE THEIR HOME IF THEY COULDN'T MAKE ANY
MORE OF THE PAYMENTS ON THEIR MORTGAGE BUT

468
01:01:56,709 --> 01:02:03,089
THEN ONE OF F.D.R.'S NEW DEAL PROGRAMS HELPED
MY GRANDFATHER'S STRUGGLING PLUMBING BUSINESS

469
01:02:03,089 --> 01:02:10,679
GET OFF THE GROUND AND THAT SAVED THEIR HOME.
DAD WORKED IN THE BUSINESS AS A TEENAGER MEASURING

470
01:02:10,679 --> 01:02:15,660
AND CUTTING PIPES AND HE WAS REALLY PROUD
OF BEING A REALLY GOOD PIPE CUTTER.

471

01:02:15,660 --> 01:02:21,410
HE JUST TOLD ME ABOUT THAT EARLIER THIS YEAR.
THE POTENTIAL FOR GOVERNMENT TO DO GOOD WAS

472
01:02:21,410 --> 01:02:26,219
SOMETHING THAT HE NEVER FORGOT.
THIS WAS NOT AN ABSTRACT CONCEPT TO HIM.

473
01:02:26,219 --> 01:02:30,729
THIS WAS REAL LIFE.
HERE ARE MORE MEMORIES FROM THIS EARLY PERIOD

474
01:02:30,729 --> 01:02:39,119
OF HIS LIFE THAT HE SHARED WITH US MANY TIMES.
AS A LITTLE KID HE WOULD LOAD RHUBARB IN THE

475
01:02:39,119 --> 01:02:42,940
WAGON AND GO DOOR■TO■DOOR TO MAKE SOME
EXTRA MONEY.

476
01:02:42,940 --> 01:02:49,419
HE DID THE SAME THING WITH HORSE RADISH AND
HE LIKED TO EAT THEM BOTH.

477
01:02:49,419 --> 01:02:52,999
HE HAD A PAPER ROUTE.
AND HE WORKED IN SUMMERS AS A DISHWASHER AT

478
01:02:52,999 --> 01:02:58,130
A SUMMER CAMP.
HE PLAYED TRUMPET IN THE TOWN BAND.

479
01:02:58,130 --> 01:03:03,930
MY GRANDMOTHER LOVED POETRY AND SHE HAD HIM
LEARN HIM POEMS THAT HE COULD RECYTE BY HEART

480
01:03:03,930 --> 01:03:10,400
FOR THE END OF HIS OWN LIFE AND ALL THESE
STORIES THAT HE TOLD US ABOUT HIS GROWING

481

01:03:10,400 --> 01:03:17,200
UP YEARS NOW FEEL LIKE GIFTS THAT HE LEFT
US.

482
01:03:17,200 --> 01:03:22,189
SO NOW HERE ARE SOME THINGS I REMEMBER ABOUT
MY LIFE WITH MY FATHER.

483
01:03:22,189 --> 01:03:30,970
HE LOVED SCIENCE.
WHEN I WAS A KID I REMEMBER HIM DRAWING ■■ BEAR

484
01:03:30,970 --> 01:03:35,549
WITH ME A BIT DARE I REMEMBER HIM DRAWING
ME DIAGRAMS TO EXPLAIN HOW THE SHAPE OF AN

485
01:03:35,549 --> 01:03:42,630
AIRPLANE'S WINGS WOULD CREATE LIFT AS AIR
FLOWED OVER IT IT, HAD TO DO SOMETHING WITH

486
01:03:42,630 --> 01:03:50,289
BERNULE'S PRINCIPLE AND THE SPACE PROGRAM
WAS A HUGE PASSION.

487
01:03:50,289 --> 01:03:54,920
WHEN I WAS A TEENAGER HE SPENT A LOT OF TIME
BEFORE HIS MERCURY FLIGHT GOING THROUGH ALL

488
01:03:54,920 --> 01:03:59,559
HIS MANWELLS WITH ME EXPLAINING ALL THE BACKUP
SYSTEMS THAT WERE HOPEFULLY GOING TO KEEP

489
01:03:59,559 --> 01:04:05,579
HIM ALIVE IF SOMETHING WENT WRONG.
HE ALSO LEARNED HOW TO IDENTIFY LOTS OF STARS

490
01:04:05,579 --> 01:04:08,920
IN NARCS AND HE TAUGHT THOSE TO US WHETHER
WE'RE KIDS.

491

01:04:08,920 --> 01:04:13,049
WE'D LAY OUT IN THE YARD AT NIGHT WITH A BLANKET
WHILE HE POINTED THEM OUT.

492
01:04:13,049 --> 01:04:18,759
HERE IS ANOTHER STORY.
I WAS IN MY MIDDLE 20s IN 1961, AN INTERESTING

493
01:04:18,759 --> 01:04:22,069
TIME.
I WENT TO VISIT MY PARENTS, HADN'T SEEN THEM

494
01:04:22,069 --> 01:04:25,579
FOR A WHILE.
HAIR WAS DOWN TO MY SHOULDER, LEATHER HEAD

495
01:04:25,579 --> 01:04:28,729
THONG AROUND MY HEAD, A LITTLE DIFFERENT THAN
NOW.

496
01:04:28,729 --> 01:04:34,709
BELL BOTTOMS, THE WHOLE BIT.
I HADN'T SEEN THEM FOR A WHILE.

497
01:04:34,709 --> 01:04:38,989
I AS I SAID.
I WALKED INTO THE HOUSE AND I THINK HE MIGHT

498
01:04:38,989 --> 01:04:43,839
HAVE BLINKED TWICE OR HIS FACE TWITCHED OR
SOMETHING OF THAT SORT.

499
01:04:43,839 --> 01:04:47,650
[LAUGHTER]
BUT THAT WAS ABOUT, THAT WAS IT.

500
01:04:47,650 --> 01:04:53,710
AND HE WAS ONLY 5 OR 6 YEARS RETIRED FROM
BEING A COLONEL IN THE MARINE CORPS.

501

01:04:53,710 --> 01:04:58,849

HE MUST MADE SOME WISECRACKS AT THE TIME BUT
IT WAS CLEAR THAT HE ACCEPTED ME AS I WAS.

502

01:04:58,849 --> 01:05:11,599

HE REALLY GAVE ME FREEDOM TO FIND MY WAY IN
LIFE, TO LEARN, TO LEARN MY LESSONS AND MAKE

503

01:05:11,599 --> 01:05:18,069

MY OWN MISTAKES.
HE LOVED BEING OUTDOORS.

504

01:05:18,069 --> 01:05:23,030

ESPECIALLY IN THE COLORADO ROCKIES.
HE LOVED TAKING HIS JEEP UP REALLY CRUMMY

505

01:05:23,030 --> 01:05:30,660

BACKROADS AND BOUNCING AROUND FOR HOURS AND
THE REST OF US FOUND THAT A LITTLE LESS ENJOYABLE.

506

01:05:30,660 --> 01:05:35,119

I WOULD GET CAR SICK.
ONCE, I WAS WITH HIM ON A BACKPACK TRIP IN

507

01:05:35,119 --> 01:05:42,669

WYOMING SITTING BY A GLASSY SMOOTH WILDERNESS
LAKE AND ALONG GAME TWO WILD TRUMPETER SWANS

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01:05:42,669 --> 01:05:47,489

FLOWING LOW ACROSS THE LAKE.
SO LOW THAT THEIR WING TIPS MADE RIPPLES ON

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01:05:47,489 --> 01:05:51,539

THE WATER AS THEY WERE' FLYING WITH EVERY
WING BEAT.

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01:05:51,539 --> 01:05:57,200

THIS WAS A GOLDEN MEMORY THAT I HAVE OF MY
GROWING UP WITH HIM.

511

01:05:57,200 --> 01:06:00,900
HE WAS A LIFE LONG JOGGER.
AND THEN WHEN HE, THAT WAS' TOO HARD ON HIS

512
01:06:00,900 --> 01:06:07,039
KNEES HE WOULD GO FOR DAILY WALKS.
HE DID THAT UP UNTIL THE LAST TWO MONTHS JUST

513
01:06:07,039 --> 01:06:19,890
WALKING BACK AND FORTH IN THEIR CONDO WHEN
HE WOULD BECOME TOO WEAK.

514
01:06:19,890 --> 01:06:23,929
HE LOVED TO SKI.
THE LAST TIME HE SKIED HE WAS ABOUT 85.

515
01:06:23,929 --> 01:06:28,380
IF YOU CAN IMAGINE THAT.
HE WAS WITH, I WAS THERE, HE WAS WITH MY WIFE

516
01:06:28,380 --> 01:06:34,630
AND I AND HE MADE THE BEST TURNS THAT I EVER
SEEN HIM MAKE.

517
01:06:34,630 --> 01:06:41,059
I NEVER EVER BEEN ABLE TO FIGURE THAT OUT.
BUT HE AGGRAVATED SOME ARTHRITIS IN ONE OF

518
01:06:41,059 --> 01:06:46,969
HIS KNEES AND HE HAD TO GIVE IT UP AFTER THAT.
ONE OF OUR MOST BELOVED FAMILY TRADITIONS

519
01:06:46,969 --> 01:06:52,759
OVER THE LAST 40 YEARS WAS TO GATHER TOGETHER
IN THE MOUNTAINS EVERY YEAR AT CHRISTMAS TIME.

520
01:06:52,759 --> 01:06:58,339
WE WOULD' BUNDLE UP.
ADULTS, GRANDKIDS AND DOGS, GET A PERMIT FROM

521

01:06:58,339 --> 01:07:04,650

THE FOREST SERVICE THEN TAKE AN AX AND DRIVE
OUT INTO THE NATIONAL FOREST AND FIND A CHRISTMAS

522

01:07:04,650 --> 01:07:07,779

TREE.
AFTER WE HAD THE TREE WE'D BUILD A FIRE FOLLOWING

523

01:07:07,779 --> 01:07:13,900

HIS CAREFUL INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT CREATING LITTLE
CHIMNEY, I HEARD HIM SAY THAT 1,000 TIMES.

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01:07:13,900 --> 01:07:17,419

[LAUGHTER]
FOR THE FLAMES TO FOLLOW AND PRETTY SOON WE'D

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01:07:17,419 --> 01:07:21,919

HAVE A ROARING FIRE.
GOOD HOT DOGS AND BAKED BEAN, HEAT UP THE

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01:07:21,919 --> 01:07:28,619

BEANS AND ROAST MARSH MALORBSES, SOMETIMES
IT WASN'T MUCH ABOVE ZERO BUT HE LOVED THOSE

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01:07:28,619 --> 01:07:31,679

TIMES BEING HUDDLED WITH US AROUNDS THE CAMP
FIRE.

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01:07:31,679 --> 01:07:39,130

SOME OTHER THINGS THAT HE LIKED HAVING A BARBECUE
PIT BECAUSE COOKING STEAKS OVER CHAR COAL

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01:07:39,130 --> 01:07:43,309

WAS ONE OF HIS SPECIALTIES.
MEDIUM RARE WAS THE WAY HE LIKED IT.

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01:07:43,309 --> 01:07:48,970

MAKING HOT BUTTERED RUM ON SPECIAL OCCASION,
CORN ON THE CUB DRIPPING WITH ■■ COULD

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01:07:48,970 --> 01:07:58,829

BE DRIPPING WITH BUTTER, SINGING WITH HIS
TENOR VOICE ALREADY READY TO HARMON OTHERWISE,

532

01:07:58,829 --> 01:08:07,309

TOUCHING MY SONS TO DRIVE HIS RIDING MOWER,
READING ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING.

533

01:08:07,309 --> 01:08:12,099

HE HAD PILES OF MAGAZINES ON EVERY SUBJECT.
ROUND TABLES.

534

01:08:12,099 --> 01:08:19,949

HE LOVED ROUND TABLES BECAUSE HE FELT THEY
BROUGHT EVERYONE INTO THE CONVERSATION.

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01:08:19,949 --> 01:08:25,089

WATCHING WESTERN WITH HIS GRANDKIDS AND HE
HAD A SPECIAL WEAKNESS FOR CHIPMUNKS AND ESPECIALLY

536

01:08:25,089 --> 01:08:32,339

HUMMING BYRDS BIRDS.
HE AND MY MOM LOVED TO TRAVEL.

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01:08:32,339 --> 01:08:40,940

IN THE SUMMER OF 2013, WHEN HE WAS 92, AND
MOM WAS 93, THEY DECIDED TO GO ON A HUGE ROAD

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01:08:40,940 --> 01:08:45,829

TRIP.
ALL WE KNEW IS THEY WERE' HEADING WEST.

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01:08:45,829 --> 01:08:51,270

A FEW DAYS AFTER THEY STARTED THIS TRIP, THEY
CALLED UP TO SAY HELLO AND THEY WERE, SAID

540

01:08:51,270 --> 01:08:56,020

THEY WERE' SITTING IN THEIR CAR WHICH HAD
BEEN LOADED UP ON TO A FLAT BED TRIPLE A.

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01:08:56,020 --> 01:08:58,659

TRUCK.

[LAUGHTER]

542

01:08:58,659 --> 01:09:03,130

BECAUSE THEY HAD A FLAT TIRE AND THEIR SPARE
TIRE WAS DEFECTIVE.

543

01:09:03,130 --> 01:09:09,660

SO THEY AND THEIR CAR WERE BEING TRANSPORTED
OFF TO A TOWN 25 MILES AWAY BUT THEY WERE

544

01:09:09,660 --> 01:09:14,529

SOMEWHERE IN THE IS BEING PANHANDLE AND IT
WAS 105, 106 DEGREES, THIS IS THE PUNCHES

545

01:09:14,529 --> 01:09:18,469

LINE OF THE STORY FROM THEM.
ROASTING HOT.

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01:09:18,469 --> 01:09:22,430

THEY WERE' SITTING IN THEIR CAR IN THE TOP
OF THE FLAT BED TRUCK WITH THE AIR■CONDITIONING

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01:09:22,430 --> 01:09:28,819

SO THEY COULD HAVE THE AIR■CONDITIONING
RUNNING AN NOT ROAST THEMSELVES.

548

01:09:28,819 --> 01:09:32,579

THEY WERE' ALL EXCITED ABOUT THIS ADVENTURE.
[LAUGHTER.]

549

01:09:32,579 --> 01:09:35,219

THEY GOT THE TIRE FIXED AND THEY CONTINUED
ON.

550

01:09:35,219 --> 01:09:39,089

THIS IS 2013.
NOT THAT LONG AGO.

551

01:09:39,089 --> 01:09:42,929

LATER ON IN THE SAME TRIP THEY CALLED UP AGAIN
AND THEY HAD JUST FINISHED A TWO MILE HIKE

552

01:09:42,929 --> 01:09:50,690

IN ARCHES NATIONAL PARK USING THEIR WALKING
STICKS AT THE END OF THE SUMMER THEN NEAR

553

01:09:50,690 --> 01:09:55,010

THE END OF THE TRIP THEY CALLED UP FROM SOME
LITTLE TOWN IN COLORADO WHERE THEY WERE' SITTING

554

01:09:55,010 --> 01:10:02,860

IN A RESTAURANT
AND WATER WAS COMING UNDER THE FRONT DOOR

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01:10:02,860 --> 01:10:06,599

OF THE RESTAURANT FROM A FREAK FLOOD.
NO END OF ADVENTURE.

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01:10:06,599 --> 01:10:11,010

AM I RIGHT, MOM, THIS IS ■■
[LAUGHTER]

557

01:10:11,010 --> 01:10:14,090

THEY LOVED THAT TRIP.
I COULD GO ON INDEFINITE WITH MY MEMORIES

558

01:10:14,090 --> 01:10:20,640

OF HIM BUT WHAT STRUCK ME AS MOST IMPORTANT
IS HOW MUCH HE CARED ABOUT NOT JUST THE PEOPLE

559

01:10:20,640 --> 01:10:25,400

IN HIS LIFE, HIS FAMILY AND HIS FRIENDS, BUT
ABOUT PEOPLE IN GENERAL.

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01:10:25,400 --> 01:10:31,800

HE WAS ENORMOUSLY CONSIDERATE.
HE LOVED AND CARED FOR OTHER PEOPLE AND THEY

561

01:10:31,800 --> 01:10:37,610
SENT THE LOVE AND CARE BACK TO HIM.
HE TREATED EVERYONE, CAB DRIVERS TO PRESIDENTS

562
01:10:37,610 --> 01:10:45,619
WITH THE SAME RESPECT AND INTEREST.
OF ALL THE EXPERIENCES OF HIS LIFE, NOTHING

563
01:10:45,619 --> 01:10:50,179
WAS MORE IMPORTANT TO HIM THAN OF HAVING BEEN
IN A BAND OF BROTHERS.

564
01:10:50,179 --> 01:10:55,130
BEING IN A GROUP OF PEOPLE LIKE THE MARINE
CORPS WAS MORE AFRAID OF FAILING THEIR COMRADES

565
01:10:55,130 --> 01:11:04,760
THAN OF LOSING THEIR OWN LIVES.
BEGINNING WITH HIS VERY FIRST MISSION IN WORLD

566
01:11:04,760 --> 01:11:10,699
WAR 2 AS JACK DALEY TOLD US EARLIER TONIGHT
OR THIS AFTERNOON.

567
01:11:10,699 --> 01:11:13,720
AND THEN AGAIN OVER THE YEARS HE LOST A WHOLE
GROUP OF FRIENDS.

568
01:11:13,720 --> 01:11:18,840
SOME IN COMBAT, SOME IN ACCIDENTS AND HE NEVER
ENTIRELY GOT OVER THE LOSSES.

569
01:11:18,840 --> 01:11:25,889
IT CHOKED HIM UP TO TALK ABOUT THEM.
I'LL FINISH WITH ONE MORE VERY RECENT MEMORY.

570
01:11:25,889 --> 01:11:28,909
THIS REALLY HAPPENED.
THIS IS MY WIFE AND I WERE VISITING MY PARENTS

571

01:11:28,909 --> 01:11:34,130
THIS LAST OCTOBER BACK IN OCTOBER 18th.
WE HAD JUST FINISHED EATING DINNER WITH THEM

572
01:11:34,130 --> 01:11:39,050
AND WE'RE SITTING AT THE TABLE IN THEIR CONDO
HERE IN COLUMBUS.

573
01:11:39,050 --> 01:11:41,929
THEIR ROUND DINNER TABLE.
HE LIKED THE ROUND TABLE.

574
01:11:41,929 --> 01:11:49,070
WE GOT ON TO THE SUBJECT OF NEIL ARMSTRONG.
THE ASTRONAUT AND DAD WAS REMEMBERING BEING

575
01:11:49,070 --> 01:11:54,500
AT NEIL'S 80A BIRTHDAY PARTY.
HE DESCRIBED NEIL SITTING DOWN AT THE PARTY

576
01:11:54,500 --> 01:12:00,409
AT THE END OF IT AND PLAYING SEPTEMBER'S SOUTHERN
ON THE PIANO AND SINGING THAT SONG.

577
01:12:00,409 --> 01:12:05,969
NEIL SINGING THIS AND THEN SITTING THERE AT
TABLE WITH US, BACK IN OCTOBER 18th AT THEIR

578
01:12:05,969 --> 01:12:11,030
ROUND TABLE, MY FATHER BEGAN TO QUIETLY SING
AND HE SANG THE WHOLE SONG TO US, TO MY MOTHER

579
01:12:11,030 --> 01:12:17,369
AND MY WIFE AND I BECAUSE WE HAPPENED TO BE
SITTING THERE WITH HIM BUT IT FELT LIKE HE

580
01:12:17,369 --> 01:12:21,700
WAS REALLY SINGING THIS TO EVERYBODY IN HIS
LIFE THAT HE CARED ABOUT.

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01:12:21,700 --> 01:12:27,320
THIS IS WHAT HE SANG TO US, OH, IT'S A LONG,
LONG WHILE FROM MAY TO DECEMBER BUT THE DAYS

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01:12:27,320 --> 01:12:33,610
GROW SHORT.
WHEN YOU REACH SEPTEMBER.

583
01:12:33,610 --> 01:12:39,789
WHEN THE AUTUMN WEATHER TURNS LEAVES TO FLAME
ONE HASN'T GOT TIME FOR THE WAITING GAME.

584
01:12:39,789 --> 01:12:47,489
THE DAYS DWINDLE DOWN TO A FEW SEPTEMBER,
NOVEMBER, AND THESE FEW PRECIOUS DAYS I'LL

585
01:12:47,489 --> 01:13:21,859
SPEND WITH YOU.
THESE PRECIOUS DAYS I'LL SPEND WITH YOU.

586
01:13:21,859 --> 01:13:27,880
>> LIKE MY BROTHER SAID WE'RE SO GRATEFUL
ALL OF YOU ARE HERE.

587
01:13:27,880 --> 01:13:34,800
AND WHEN DAVE AND I WERE PLANNING THIS TIME
FOR OUR FATHER, ONE THING WE WANTED WAS FOR

588
01:13:34,800 --> 01:13:43,719
THERE TO BE FRIENDS, NOT THE PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T
KNOW DAD BUT THE PEOPLE WHO REALLY KNEW HIM.

589
01:13:43,719 --> 01:13:53,860
AND I THINK, I HOPE THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO HEAR
THAT PRESIDENT DRAKE, CHARLIE, TO USE THE

590
01:13:53,860 --> 01:14:05,310
NAME JACK, AND THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE OUR FRIENDS.
AND HAVE KNOWN DAD IN ALL THE DIFFERENT PARTS

591

01:14:05,310 --> 01:14:11,260

OF HIS LIFE.

AND MR. BOULDEN, OF COURSE, CHARLIE, I'M

592

01:14:11,260 --> 01:14:16,010

SORRY, JACK AND CHARLIE.

AND SOMEONE HAS BEEN MENTIONED A COUPLE OF

593

01:14:16,010 --> 01:14:23,389

TIMES, AND I WOULD REMISS IF I DIDN'T SAY

THIS: THAT OUR LIVES WERE INTERTWINED WITH

594

01:14:23,389 --> 01:14:31,030

A WONDERFUL FAMILY, THE KENNEDY FAMILY AND

WHEN ETHEL AND ROBERT WANTED TO COME TODAY,

595

01:14:31,030 --> 01:14:37,449

IT WAS A TREMENDOUS, IT HAD TREMENDOUS MEANING
FOR US.

596

01:14:37,449 --> 01:14:45,180

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, ETHEL AND
BOBBY.

597

01:14:45,180 --> 01:14:52,360

THOSE MEMORIES ARE BEYOND HEART ACHE AND JOY.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE FOR DAD AND

598

01:14:52,360 --> 01:14:56,800

MOTHER.

I WOULD ALSO BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T THANK,

599

01:14:56,800 --> 01:15:03,160

I CERTAINLY AM NOT GOING TO LIST THEM BUT

IN ORDER DAD DIED ABOUT NINE DAYS AGO AND

600

01:15:03,160 --> 01:15:10,030

IN THE PERIOD OF TIME FROM HIS DEATH TO TODAY,

THERE HAVE BEEN A GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE

601

01:15:10,030 --> 01:15:19,360

COME TOGETHER WITH UNBELIEVABLE LOVE, STRENGTH,
SUPPORT, AND ENERGY TO BRING TO CELEBRATE

602

01:15:19,360 --> 01:15:25,380

HIM, THEY KNEW HIM WELL AND THEY ABSOLUTELY
MADE THIS DAY POSSIBLE.

603

01:15:25,380 --> 01:15:33,550

THIS TIME POSSIBLE.
WHEN WE WERE GOING TO THE FUNERAL HOME TO

604

01:15:33,550 --> 01:15:44,950

SEE DAD'S BODY, I KNEW I WANTED TO WRITE SOMETHING
TO PUT IN THE CASKET AND I STARTED WRITING

605

01:15:44,950 --> 01:15:52,329

MY LETTER TO HIM.
AND AS I WROTE IT I REALIZED THAT I WAS ACTUALLY

606

01:15:52,329 --> 01:15:59,110

WRITING WHAT I WANTED TO SAY TO ALL OF YOU.
SO THIS IS A LETTER, THIS IS THE LETTER I

607

01:15:59,110 --> 01:16:06,429

STARTED AND SO YOU WILL HEAR ME REFER TO HIM
AS MY FATHER.

608

01:16:06,429 --> 01:16:14,210

OF MANY PEOPLE HAVE MENTIONED OF COURSE FEBRUARY
20th, 1962.

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01:16:14,210 --> 01:16:21,099

FROM THAT DAY TO THIS, PEOPLE HAVE COME UP
TO ME AND HAVE SAID, GOSH, WHAT IS IT LIKE?

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01:16:21,099 --> 01:16:26,349

JOHN GLENN IS YOUR FATHER, HE IS A LEARO,
WHAT IS THAT LIKE TO HAVE A HERO FOR A FATHER?

611

01:16:26,349 --> 01:16:33,739

AND FROM THE VERY FIRST TIME I THINK THAT
I WAS ASKED THAT, I THOUGHT ABOUT IT, AND

612

01:16:33,739 --> 01:16:48,690

I SAID, HE IS JUST MY DAD.
YOU HAVE BEEN MY TEACHER, MY NEMESIS, YES

613

01:16:48,690 --> 01:16:51,580

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[LAUGHTER]

614

01:16:51,580 --> 01:16:57,889

MY SINGING PARTNER, YOU TENOR, ME MELODY,
AND MY SOURCE.

615

01:16:57,889 --> 01:17:04,159

I'LL JUST ASK DAD.
YOU TAUGHT ME TO PARALLEL PARK A CAR, TIE

616

01:17:04,159 --> 01:17:11,409

KNOTS, TIE A NECKTIE AND SLIDE A CAR ON ICE.
[LAUGHTER.]

617

01:17:11,409 --> 01:17:14,480

YOU RECOMMENDED I RECOMMEND MICE MY SOCIAL
SECURITY NUMBER ■■■ MEMBER MICE MY SOCIAL

618

01:17:14,480 --> 01:17:22,329

SECURITY NUMBER AND I LEARNED FROM YOU WESTERNS
ARE A HIGH FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT AND THE WHITE

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01:17:22,329 --> 01:17:28,410

HATS ALWAYS WIN.
HE HAD TWO.

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01:17:28,410 --> 01:17:36,739

WHEN YOU AND MOTHER MARRIED YOU TOLD HER I
CAN'T PROMISE YOU MUCH BUT I CAN PROMISE LIFE

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01:17:36,739 --> 01:17:41,739

WON'T BE BORING.

[LAUGHTER.]

622

01:17:41,739 --> 01:17:48,800

IN TIME DAVE AND I LIVED THAT PROMISE, TOO.

LIFE WITH YOU, DAD, WAS NEVER BORING.

623

01:17:48,800 --> 01:17:56,110

WORLD WAR 2, KOREA, THE SPEED RUN AND PROJECT

BULLET, NAME THAT TUNE, TEST PILOT TO NASA,

624

01:17:56,110 --> 01:18:04,650

FOUR TERMS IN THE U.S. SENATE, DISCOVERY S.

T. S. 95, AND THE GLENN COLLEGE HERE AT O.

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01:18:04,650 --> 01:18:20,810

S. U.

LIKE I SAID, NEVER BORING.

626

01:18:20,810 --> 01:18:48,389

SHORTLY AFTER YOU GOT YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE,

YOU FIRST WENT TO WASHINGTON AS A DRIVER FOR

627

01:18:48,389 --> 01:18:54,340

HARPER STEEL.

AND HIS SISTER, YOUR CIVICS ■■

628

01:18:54,340 --> 01:19:03,980

(CAPTIONS WILL RESUME SHORTLY.)

>> YOUR WORDS REASSURED ME THEN AND REASSURE

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01:19:03,980 --> 01:19:08,599

ME NOW.

YOU ALSO TAUGHT RESPONSIBILITY COMES WITH

630

01:19:08,599 --> 01:19:15,989

OUR CITIZENSHIP, AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE

WELL INFORMED BY TRUTH AND SCIENCE.

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01:19:15,989 --> 01:19:20,900

AND THAT PUBLIC SERVICE IS A RESPONSIBILITY
OF EACH CITIZEN.

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01:19:20,900 --> 01:19:26,820

I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS 8 YEARS OLD, I HAD SOME
GOOD GRADES I WANTED TO SHARE WITH DAND ■■ DAD

633

01:19:26,820 --> 01:19:34,619

AND I SHOWED THEM TO HIM AND HE SAID, YES,
BUT WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR YOUR COUNTRY TODAY?

634

01:19:34,619 --> 01:19:42,800

[LAUGHTER]
OFH REPEATED IN YOUR FAMILY, WHAT HAVE YOU

635

01:19:42,800 --> 01:19:52,079

DONE FOR YOUR COUNTRY TODAY?
YOU WERE TEACHING ME OUR COUNTRY IS MORE IMPORTANT

636

01:19:52,079 --> 01:20:01,710

THAN ANY INDIVIDUAL, AND OUR COUNTRY IS STRONGER
WHEN WE EACH DO OUR PART.

637

01:20:01,710 --> 01:20:08,250

ALTHOUGH I ADMIT AS AN 8■YEAR■OLD I WANTED
A BIT MORE ATTA GIRL AND A LITTLE LESS GOD

638

01:20:08,250 --> 01:20:13,860

BLESS AMERICA.
[LAUGHTER]

639

01:20:13,860 --> 01:20:20,579

IN YOUR HEART, DAD, YOU REMAINED A SMALL TOWN
BOY AND YOU WORE CELEBRITY LIGHTLY AND TAUGHT

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01:20:20,579 --> 01:20:26,010

US THE SAME.
THOUGH YOU MET PRESIDENTS, C.E.O., KINGS AND

641

01:20:26,010 --> 01:20:32,119

QUEENS YOU HAD A COMMON TOUCH WITH PEOPLE
AT A GAS STATION OR AT A BOB EVANS WHERE YOU

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01:20:32,119 --> 01:20:37,880

AND MOTHER WOULD STOP FOR FRIED MUSH AND SCRAMBLED
EGGS.

643

01:20:37,880 --> 01:20:45,809

THE SON OF A SMALLTOWN PLUMBER YOU KEPT ONE
OF GRANDFATHER'S WRENCHES ON YOUR DESK AS

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01:20:45,809 --> 01:20:54,409

A REMINDER OF WHERE YOU CAME FROM AND YOU
GIFTED A WRENCH TO MY BROTHER, TO DAVE AND

645

01:20:54,409 --> 01:21:00,239

TO ME.
NATURALLY SHY, YOU OFTEN WORE A BALL CAP SO

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01:21:00,239 --> 01:21:07,699

YOU WON'T BE RECOGNIZED BUT YOUR CIVILITY
AND SMALL TOWN MANNERS WOULD TAKE OVER WHEN

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01:21:07,699 --> 01:21:11,619

YOU ENTERED A BUILDING.
OFF CAME THE CAP.

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01:21:11,619 --> 01:21:16,420

PEOPLE WOULD RECOGNIZE YOU AND AUTOGRAPH,
SHAKING HANDS AND SELFIES WOULD COME IN AND

649

01:21:16,420 --> 01:21:20,179

YOU DID IT WITH GRACE AND WILLINGNESS AND
JOY.

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01:21:20,179 --> 01:21:25,460

ONLY ONCE DID I SEE YOU REFUSE TO SIGN AN
OFT GRAPH.

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01:21:25,460 --> 01:21:31,150

URN' RUNNING TO MAKE AY VOTE ON THE SENATE FLOOR, A PERSON ASKED YOU FOR AN OFT GRAPH.

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01:21:31,150 --> 01:21:35,030

YOU ASKED THE PERSON TO WAIT. THEY DID AND YOU SIGNED AN AUTOGRAPH ON THE

653

01:21:35,030 --> 01:21:41,159

WAY BACK TO THE OFFICE. ANOTHER SIMPLE GESTURE YOU MADE WAS TO PICK

654

01:21:41,159 --> 01:21:47,840

UP BUCK EYES AS YOU WALKED ACROSS THE CAPITAL GROUNDS ON THE WAY TO AND FROM YOUR SENATE

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01:21:47,840 --> 01:21:51,030

OFFICE. YOU PUT THE BUCK EYES IN A BOWL IN THE WAITING

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01:21:51,030 --> 01:21:56,929

ROOM OF YOUR OFFICE SO VISITORS COULD TAKE A LITTLE PIECE OF OHIO HOME WITH THEM.

657

01:21:56,929 --> 01:22:03,090

YOU NEVER ALLOWED YOUR NAME OR PICTURE TO BE USED TO MAKE MONEY BECAUSE YOU SAID YOU

658

01:22:03,090 --> 01:22:09,239

WERE A GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE AND IT WON'T BE RIGHT TO MAKE MONEY FROM GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

659

01:22:09,239 --> 01:22:18,579

IN 1962, AFTER FRIENDSHIP 7, HOWEVER, GENERAL MILLS OFFERED YOU \$1 MILLION DOLLAR AND WE'RE

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01:22:18,579 --> 01:22:24,880

TOLD IT MIGHT EVEN COME UP TO \$5 MILLION TO BE ON A WHEATIES BOX.

661

01:22:24,880 --> 01:22:32,690

THIS WAS AN UNIMAGINABLE AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR
OUR FAMILY LIVING ON A MARINE PILOT'S PAY

662

01:22:32,690 --> 01:22:39,730

EVEN WITH LIGHT ■■ FLIGHT PAY.
YOU TURNED THE OFFER DOWN.

663

01:22:39,730 --> 01:22:46,360

YOU REMAINED TRUE TO YOUR SMALL TOWN NATURE
AND YOUR HEART ALSO REMAINED TRUE TO THE VALUES

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01:22:46,360 --> 01:22:55,409

OF THE MARINE CORPS.
THIS IS TO YOUR VERY BURIAL, DAD, DAD, YOU

665

01:22:55,409 --> 01:23:05,390

CHOOSE A MARINE ISSUED CASKET LIKE THE ONES
MOST MARINE ASK FOR, YOU ASKED THAT ENLISTED

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01:23:05,390 --> 01:23:14,890

MARINES CARRY YOU TO YOUR GRAVE AND YOU WORE
A MARINE GREEN IN, TO GO TO YOUR GRAVE, TOO.

667

01:23:14,890 --> 01:23:25,409

I LOVE THAT AFTER ECHO TAPS IS PLAYED AT YOUR
BURIAL, YOU WANT REVELRY TO BE PLAYED BECAUSE

668

01:23:25,409 --> 01:23:33,960

YOU SAID I'LL BE GETTING UP IN A WHOLE NEW
DIMENSION AND YOU SAID IT WITH A GRIN.

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01:23:33,960 --> 01:23:37,469

[LAUGHTER]
EARLIER, IN THIS REMEMBRANCE I SAID YOU WERE

670

01:23:37,469 --> 01:23:40,969

A TEACHER.
AND YOU TAUGHT ME MORE THAN JUST TRYING TO

671

01:23:40,969 --> 01:23:51,510

TIE A KNOT OR MEMBER ■■ MEMBER MICING
MY ■■ MEMBER MICING MY SOCIAL SECURITY.

672

01:23:51,510 --> 01:23:56,020

YOU WERE TENDER WITH MY MOTHER ESPECIALLY
WITH HER STUTTERING.

673

01:23:56,020 --> 01:24:04,910

WHEN MOTHER GAVE HER VERY FIRST SPEECH, YOU
DIDN'T GO WITH HER.

674

01:24:04,910 --> 01:24:13,340

YOU LISTENED ON A PHONE AND CRIED.
YOU KNEW SHE HAD TO STAND ALONE AND NOT IN

675

01:24:13,340 --> 01:24:18,980

YOUR SHADOW.
AND YOU WERE AN ELDER IN OUR PRESBYTERIAN

676

01:24:18,980 --> 01:24:23,219

CHURCH.
BUT I THINK I LEARNED MORE ABOUT RELIGIOUS

677

01:24:23,219 --> 01:24:31,170

PRACTICE WATCHING HOW YOU LIVED YOUR LIFE.
YOU TREATED OTHER PEOPLE AS YOU WANTED TO

678

01:24:31,170 --> 01:24:37,030

BE TREATED.
YOU WERE TRUE TO YOUR WORD WITH A HAND SHAKE.

679

01:24:37,030 --> 01:24:46,020

YOU GAVE TO THE SALVATION ARMY AND LIVED WITH
HUMILITY AND GRATITUDE.

680

01:24:46,020 --> 01:24:51,840

ONCE I ASKED FOR YOUR INSIGHT AND GUIDANCE
WHEN I THOUGHT I HAD A GOOD IDEA FOR AN INVESTMENT.

681

01:24:51,840 --> 01:25:03,130

AFTER WE TALKED FOR A WHILE, YOU THOUGHT AND
YOU SAID, WELL, YEAH, BUT HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

682

01:25:03,130 --> 01:25:12,760

IN TODAY'S WORLD YOUR WORDS ALMOST SEEM QUIANT.
BUT THEY SHOULD BE A STANDARD HOW MUCH IS

683

01:25:12,760 --> 01:25:19,539

ENOUGH?
UMP MORE SELF-EDUCATED BY YOUR NATURAL CURIOSITY

684

01:25:19,539 --> 01:25:26,050

THAN ANY DEGREE MIGHT HAVE BESTOWED, AND GOOGLE
AND SAFARI GAME ROOM FOR YOUR IMAGINATION

685

01:25:26,050 --> 01:25:34,619

AND CURIOUS NATION TO EXPLORE THE UNIVERSE.
I LEARNED FROM YOU AGE IS NOT JUST A NUMBER.

686

01:25:34,619 --> 01:25:43,400

THAT AGING CAN BE FULL AND MEANINGFUL.
THE GLENN INSTITUTE BECAME THE GLENN SCHOOL

687

01:25:43,400 --> 01:25:50,929

AND IS NOW THE GLENN COLLEGE.
I'M SO GRATEFUL YOU LIVED TO KNOW YOUR LEGACY

688

01:25:50,929 --> 01:25:58,179

OF PUBLIC SERVICE HANDS MEANINGFUL POLICY
WILL ENDURE.

689

01:25:58,179 --> 01:26:04,889

YOU CHALLENGED ANOTHER AINTRUSION AGING, DAD,
YOU FLEE YOUR PRESSURIZED BEACH BARON REFERRED

690

01:26:04,889 --> 01:26:12,420

AS ANNIE AIR UNTIL YOU WERE 90.
TO CONFIRM YOUR SKILLS AS A PILOT YOU TOOK

691

01:26:12,420 --> 01:26:18,679

A FLIGHT PHYSICAL EVERY YEAR AND COMPLETED
A LONG WEEKEND OF TRAINING AND TESTING PROVIDED

692

01:26:18,679 --> 01:26:24,580

BY BEACH AIRCRAFT.
BUT MACULAR DEGENERATION CAUGHT UP WITH YOU

693

01:26:24,580 --> 01:26:31,420

IN ONE OF THE SADDEST CONSEQUENCES OF THE
DISEASE, IT COMPROMISED YOUR ABILITY TO SEE

694

01:26:31,420 --> 01:26:36,370

SUNSETS.
IT WAS HEART BREAKING FOR YOU AND A HEART

695

01:26:36,370 --> 01:26:42,730

ACHE FOR ME.
NOW HERE WE ARE.

696

01:26:42,730 --> 01:26:55,190

YOUR FUNERAL, FOLKS FROM AROUND THE WORLD
AND ALL WALKS OF LIFE REMEMBER AND HONOR YOU,

697

01:26:55,190 --> 01:27:00,949

DAD.
YOU LIVED MANY LIVES IN ONE LIFE WITH HONESTY,

698

01:27:00,949 --> 01:27:10,409

GRACE, BELIEF IN OUR COUNTRY AND THE HONOR
OF PUBLIC SERVICE.

699

01:27:10,409 --> 01:27:15,760

I AM PROUD AND SO GRATEFUL TO SAY YOU ARE
JUST MY DAD.

700

01:27:15,760 --> 01:27:27,480

THANK YOU, DAD, I LOVE YOU.
GOD SPEED, DAD.

701

01:27:27,480 --> 01:27:28,790

[APPLAUSE]

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702

01:27:28,790 --> 01:27:45,719

ANNIE HAS BEEN IT.

WE HAVE BEEN TOGETHER EVER SINCE WE WERE IN

703

01:27:45,719 --> 01:27:52,510

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL.

OUR PARENTS USED TO KID US THAT WE WERE IN

704

01:27:52,510 --> 01:28:10,139

PLAYPENS TOGETHER.

FROM THEN ON IT WAS THE TWO OF US TOGETHER.

705

01:28:10,139 --> 01:28:14,390

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¶¶ THERE WERE THINGS THAT I THOUGHT WERE

706

01:28:14,390 --> 01:28:19,010

IMPORTANT AND WERE IMPORTANT FOR COUNTRY AND

SHE THOUGHT WERE IMPORTANT FOR THE COUNTRY

707

01:28:19,010 --> 01:29:01,079

SO WE'VE BEEN IN THIS AS A TEAM TOGETHER.

>> BY ANY MEASURE, ACCOMPLISHMENT, SERVICE,

708

01:29:01,079 --> 01:29:11,559

COUCHAGE, JOHN GLENN WAS A GREAT MAN.

WHEN I THINK OF JOHN GLENN, I THINK OF A GOOD

709

01:29:11,559 --> 01:29:16,840

MAN.

MY FIRST TASTE OF JOHN GLENN, THE GOOD MAN,

710

01:29:16,840 --> 01:29:22,610

WAS ON MARCH 4, 1968, AT THE MADISON THEATER
IN MANSFIELD, OHIO.

711

01:29:22,610 --> 01:29:27,900

50 TEENAGE BOYS HAD GATHERED FOR OUR EAGLE SCOUT DINNER.

712

01:29:27,900 --> 01:29:32,980

COLONEL GLENN WAS THE SPEAKER.
JOHN GLENN, NATIONAL HERO, SHOOK HANDS WITH

713

01:29:32,980 --> 01:29:37,389

EACH ONE OF US.
JOHN GLENN PERHAPS THE MOST FAMOUS MAN OF

714

01:29:37,389 --> 01:29:42,510

HIS GENERATION TOOK A PICTURE WITH US, ONE AT A TIME.

715

01:29:42,510 --> 01:29:46,860

HE ALWAYS MADE TIME FOR YOU NO MATTER YOUR STATION IN LIFE.

716

01:29:46,860 --> 01:29:53,150

THAT LESSON HAS STUCK WITH ME.
39 YEARS LATER, FORMER SENATOR JOHN GLENN

717

01:29:53,150 --> 01:29:58,219

WALKED ME DOWN THE CENTER AISLE OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE TO BE SWORN IN.

718

01:29:58,219 --> 01:30:04,210

AND OF COURSE, LIKE THE EAGLE SCOUTS OF FOUR DECADES EARLIER, ALL THE NEW SENATORS WANTED

719

01:30:04,210 --> 01:30:11,800

TO MEET THEIR AMERICAN HERO.
HE WAS KIND TO SENATORS, TOO.

720

01:30:11,800 --> 01:30:15,320

[LAUGHTER.]
I HAD THE HONOR TO SEE JOHN GLENN UP CLOSE

721

01:30:15,320 --> 01:30:19,579

AT WORK AND AT PLAY WITH FAMILY AND THE WITH STRANGERS.

722

01:30:19,579 --> 01:30:25,130

EVERY PRESIDENTIAL YEAR OHIO'S MOST PROMINENT DEMOCRAT WOULD BOARD A BUS WITH OUR PRESIDENTIAL

723

01:30:25,130 --> 01:30:28,719

OR VICE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE TO CAMPAIGN AROUND OHIO.

724

01:30:28,719 --> 01:30:35,059

I WATCHED THE RETIRED SENATOR, A MENTOR TO SO MANY OF US, RECONNECT WITH SENATOR CONSIDERY

725

01:30:35,059 --> 01:30:38,389

IN 2004.
WITH SENATOR BIDEN IN 2008.

726

01:30:38,389 --> 01:30:44,370

I SAW HIM FOR THE FIRST TIME, I WAS SITTING ON THE BUS WITH HIM MEET THE YOUNG SENATOR

727

01:30:44,370 --> 01:30:48,010

FROM ILLINOIS.
AND THE IMMEDIATE CONNECTION THAT THE AMERICAN

728

01:30:48,010 --> 01:30:55,160

ICON AND THE FUTURE PRESIDENT MADE.
AT ONE STOP THIS WAS A DECADE AFTER HIS RETIREMENT

729

01:30:55,160 --> 01:31:01,739

FROM THE SENATE, JOHN GLENN GOT AFTER THE BUS, JUMPED OVER A DITCH AND SHOCK THE OUTSTRETCHED

730

01:31:01,739 --> 01:31:07,610

HAND OF AN APPRECIATIVE FARMER.
JOHN WAS THERE IN NON-PRESIDENTIAL YEARS

731

01:31:07,610 --> 01:31:14,929
FOR OHIO DEMOCRATS, TOO.
IN 2006 WE BOARDED A SHALL WE SAY OLDER, LESS

732
01:31:14,929 --> 01:31:20,230
OPULENT WINNEBAGO WITH THE OHIO DEMOCRATIC
TICKET TO CAMPAIGN THROUGH SMALL TOWN AND

733
01:31:20,230 --> 01:31:24,730
RURAL OHIO.
AS WE TRAVELLED UP AND DOWN AND OVER THE HILLS

734
01:31:24,730 --> 01:31:30,659
OF JOHN'S BELOVED, JOHN AND ANNIE'S BELOVED
SOUTHEAST OHIO, THE REST OF US BEGAN TO GET

735
01:31:30,659 --> 01:31:35,500
CAR SICK.
BUT OF COURSE, NOT THE 85■YEAR■OLD ASTRONAUT

736
01:31:35,500 --> 01:31:40,521
WHO SMILED AT US.
AND I SAW THE ELDER STATESMAN AS HE WOULD

737
01:31:40,521 --> 01:31:46,349
WOULD GET OFF THE BUS AND SPEAK TO ONE ADORING
CROWD AFTER ANOTHER, TRANSFERRING SOME OF

738
01:31:46,349 --> 01:31:50,949
HIS MAGIC TO US.
JOHN WAS AN F.D.R.DEMOCRAT.

739
01:31:50,949 --> 01:31:57,000
ROOSEVELT SAVED AMERICA AFTER ALL, JOHN SAID.
F.D.R.DEMOCRAT WHO CARED ABOUT JUSTICE, AND

740
01:31:57,000 --> 01:32:03,800
CARED ABOUT OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE WITH LESS
PRIVILEGE THAN MOST OF US IN THIS ROOM HAVE.

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01:32:03,800 --> 01:32:11,760

HE NEVER FORGOT AS DAVE TALKED ABOUT, HE NEVER
FOR GET THE TERROR THAT STRUCK HIS 10 OR 11 YEAR OLD

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01:32:11,760 --> 01:32:16,699

HEART WHEN HE OVERHEARD HIS PARENTS SAY THEIR
HOME WAS ABOUT TO BE FORECLOSED ABOUT.

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01:32:16,699 --> 01:32:22,559

IT WAS A NEW DEAL GOVERNMENT BACKED F.H.A.LOAN
THAT ALLOWED JOHN'S FATHER TO RENEGOTIATE

744

01:32:22,559 --> 01:32:26,070

WITH THE BANK AND KEEP HIS FAMILY IN THEIR
HOME.

745

01:32:26,070 --> 01:32:30,360

JOHN KNEW AS HE LATER WROTE IN HIS MEMOIR
THAT GOVERNMENT CAN CHANGE PEOPLES' LIVES

746

01:32:30,360 --> 01:32:35,740

FOR THE BETTER.
SOME SAY THAT JOHN'S BRAND OF PATRIOTIC OPTIMISM

747

01:32:35,740 --> 01:32:42,210

IS A THROWBACK TO A BY GONE ERA BUT WE FLEED
IT NOW MORE THAN EVER.

748

01:32:42,210 --> 01:32:47,980

JOHN BELIEVED IN AN ACTIVIST GOVERNMENT AND
AN ACTIVE CITIZEN.

749

01:32:47,980 --> 01:32:53,940

HE WARNED CYNICISM AND APATHY WERE A THREAT
TO DEMOCRACY ITSELF.

750

01:32:53,940 --> 01:32:59,239

JOHN'S FRIEND ROBERT KENNEDY, WHO HELPED TO
CONVINCE HIM TO RUN FOR THE SENATE SAID POLITICS

751

01:32:59,239 --> 01:33:07,019

WAS A CALLING ALMOST LIKE THE MINGS INDUSTRY.
PRESS TIRIAN JOHN LIKED THOSE WORDS.

752

01:33:07,019 --> 01:33:12,380

THE HAPPIEST AND MOST FULFILLED PEOPLE I'VE
KNOWN, HE TOLD US ARE THOSE WHO DEVOUT ■■■ DEVOTED

753

01:33:12,380 --> 01:33:17,409

THEMSELVES TO SOMETHING MORE BIGGER THAN THEIR
OWN SELF■■INTEREST.

754

01:33:17,409 --> 01:33:26,900

THEY DROVE JOHN'S ACTIVIST AND PUBLIC SERVICE.
IT DROVE HIM TO CREATE THE GLENN INSTITUTE,

755

01:33:26,900 --> 01:33:29,270

TO INSPIRE THE NEXT GENERATION OF ACTIVE,
ENGAGED CITIZENS.

756

01:33:29,270 --> 01:33:37,580

A FRIEND WHO WORKED FOR JOHN 30 YEARS AGO
IN HIS SENATE OFFICE TOLD ME THIS WEEK JOHN

757

01:33:37,580 --> 01:33:44,159

GLENN TOOK SUCH JOY IN HELPING OTHERS AND
WAS SO PROUD OF HIS STAFF, EVEN WHEN YOU LEFT,

758

01:33:44,159 --> 01:33:49,750

YOU WERE STILL FAMILY.
JOHN GLENN WAS THE ONLY OHIOAN EVER TO BE

759

01:33:49,750 --> 01:33:54,159

ELECTED FOUR TIMES TO THE UNITED STATES SENATE.
HE WAS A WORK HORSE.

760

01:33:54,159 --> 01:33:59,380

NEVER A SHOW HORSE.
HE LABORED OVER THE DETAILS OF NONPROLIFERATION

761

01:33:59,380 --> 01:34:05,780

IN ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP OF NUCLEAR DISPOSAL
SITES, GRUNT WORK TO SOME BUT JOHN WAS CONTENT

762

01:34:05,780 --> 01:34:12,050

TO SPEND HIS TIME NOT ON COLLECTING INSTANT
HEADLINES BUT ACHIEVING LASTING THRILLS WOULD

763

01:34:12,050 --> 01:34:17,309

LEAVE THE WORLD BETTER THAN HE FOUND T. HE
HELPED CREATE THE INDEPENDENT WATCH DOGS WE

764

01:34:17,309 --> 01:34:23,680

KNOW AS INSPECTORS GENERAL TO KEEP THE GOVERNMENT
HE BELIEVED IN ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PEOPLE IT

765

01:34:23,680 --> 01:34:26,710

SERVES.
HE HAD THE FORESIGHT TO FOUND THE GREAT LAKES

766

01:34:26,710 --> 01:34:35,110

TASK FORGES WHICH CONTINUES TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT
ROLE TO LOCATE THE HEALTH OF OUR GREAT LAKE.

767

01:34:35,110 --> 01:34:41,680

THE NIGHT BEFORE THE 50th ANNIVERSARY OF COLONEL
GLENN'S SPACE LAUNCH CONY AND I HAD DINNER

768

01:34:41,680 --> 01:34:50,360

IN DERMAN VILLAGE WITH ANNIE AND JOHN AND
LYNN AND DAVID AND KAREN L.

769

01:34:50,360 --> 01:34:55,880

THE VALET PULLED UP IN FRONT OF THE RESTAURANT
WITH JOHN'S CADILLAC.

770

01:34:55,880 --> 01:35:01,320

THE 91-YEAR-OLD ASTRONAUT HOPPED IN THE
DRIVERS' SEAT, ANNIE IN THE FRONT SEAT AND

771

01:35:01,320 --> 01:35:06,619

THE KIDS NOW ALL ON THE OTHER SIDE OF 60,
PILED IN THE BACK.

772

01:35:06,619 --> 01:35:09,659

SOMETHINGS JUST NEVER CHANGE.
[LAUGHTER]

773

01:35:09,659 --> 01:35:17,630

OH, HOW THEY WERE IN LOVE, ANNIE AND JOHN.
I SPOKE WITH ANNIE, CALLED THEM ON THEIR 71st

774

01:35:17,630 --> 01:35:20,960

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.
SHE TOLD ME THEY WAITED TO GET MARRIED UNTIL

775

01:35:20,960 --> 01:35:26,730

AFTER JOHN FINISHED HIS FLIGHT TRAINING.
WE WANTED TO GET MARRIED IN HIGH SCHOOL BUT

776

01:35:26,730 --> 01:35:31,599

OUR PARENTS WON'T LET US BECAUSE THEY SAID
IT WOULD NEVER LAST.

777

01:35:31,599 --> 01:35:36,840

[LAUGHTER.]
HOW THEY LOVED DAVID AND LYNN AS WE SAW TODAY.

778

01:35:36,840 --> 01:35:42,639

JOHN HAD A WAY OF MAKING EVERYONE AROUND HIM
FEEL IMPORTANT FROM THE TEENAGE EAGLE SCOUTS

779

01:35:42,639 --> 01:35:47,530

TO THE FARMERS IN THE FIELD.
HE LIVED HIS LIFE BY MATTHEW 25.

780

01:35:47,530 --> 01:35:53,659

WHERE JESUS ADMONISHED HIS FOLLOWERS WHENEVER
YOU DID IT, FOR ANY OF ANY PEOPLE NO MAT ARE

781

01:35:53,659 --> 01:35:58,239

HOW UNIMPORTANT THEY SEEMED, DID YOU IT FOR ME.

782

01:35:58,239 --> 01:36:20,679

JOHN GLENN, A GREAT MAN, JOHN GLENN, SUCH A GOOD MAN.

783

01:36:20,679 --> 01:36:28,889

>> HE IS STILL HANDY THAT WAY, ANNIE.
FOUR YEARS AGO, JOHN AND ANNIE ENTERED THE

784

01:36:28,889 --> 01:36:33,999

HOTEL SUITE WE RESERVED FOR ELECTION NIGHT AND WERE IMMEDIATELY SWARMED BY AWE STRUCK

785

01:36:33,999 --> 01:36:38,179

ADMIRERS.
THIS IS HOW IT WAS WITH THOSE TWO, ALWAYS.

786

01:36:38,179 --> 01:36:43,179

I'VE NEVER KNOWN THEM TO BE ANYTHING BUT GRACIOUS WITH STRANGERS.

787

01:36:43,179 --> 01:36:47,420

IN THE WAKE OF MY ESSAY ABOUT JOHN FOR THE PLAIN DEARLY I'VE BEEN ON THE RECEIVING END

788

01:36:47,420 --> 01:36:53,170

OF A STEADY STREAM OF STORIES ABOUT RANDOM ENCOUNTERS WITH JOHN AND ANNIE.

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01:36:53,170 --> 01:37:00,380

EVERY ONE OF THOSE STORIES HAS A HAPPY ENDING.
ON THAT NIGHT IN 2012, OUR 4■YEAR■OLD

790

01:37:00,380 --> 01:37:05,519

GRANDSON CLAYTON WAS WITH US.
HE SPENT MUCH OF THE DAY REHEARSING A QUESTION

791

01:37:05,519 --> 01:37:10,880
HE WANTED TO ASK JOHN.
I INTRODUCED HIM AND I TOLD JOHN CLAYTON HAD

792
01:37:10,880 --> 01:37:16,460
SOMETHING ON HIS MIND.
IMMEDIATELY TALL LACY JOHN LEANED IN TO TALK

793
01:37:16,460 --> 01:37:23,170
FACE■TO■FACE WITH OUR LITTLE BOY.
WHAT IS YOUR QUESTION, JOHN SAID?

794
01:37:23,170 --> 01:37:29,719
>> CLAYTON DIDN'T HESITATE.
HOW DO ASTRONAUTS GO TO THE BATH ROOM IN SPACE?

795
01:37:29,719 --> 01:37:35,780
[LAUGHTER]
JOHN SMILED, WELL, NOW, THAT IS AN INTERESTING

796
01:37:35,780 --> 01:37:39,840
QUESTION, ISN'T IT?
CLAYTON NODDED AND THOSE OF US WITHIN EAR

797
01:37:39,840 --> 01:37:47,400
SHOT GATHERED ROUND FOR ASTRONAUT JOHN GLENN'S
10 MINUTE TUTORIAL ON THE MACHINATIONS OF

798
01:37:47,400 --> 01:37:53,239
URINATION IN SPACE.
AFTER HE FINISHED CLAYTON THANKED HIM, SHOOK

799
01:37:53,239 --> 01:37:59,239
HIS HANDS AND STARTED TO MAKE THE ROUNDS TO
SHARE HIS NEW EXPERTISE.

800
01:37:59,239 --> 01:38:02,900
I HUGGED JOHN AND I THANKED HIM FOR TREATING
CLAYTON WITH SUCH RESPECT.

801

01:38:02,900 --> 01:38:09,179
WHY WOULDN'T I, HE SAID.
CHILDREN HAVE SINCERE QUESTIONS, THEY DESERVE

802
01:38:09,179 --> 01:38:15,340
SINCERE ANSWERS.
CLAYTON 18 NOW AND WE VISITED HIM LAST WEEKEND

803
01:38:15,340 --> 01:38:25,159
AND ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS HE SAID TO ME
WAS I'M SORRY YOU LOST YOUR FRIEND, GRAN MAH.

804
01:38:25,159 --> 01:38:32,220
HE WAS MY FRIEND, TOO.
LAST WEEK SHARON AND I LEARNED FROM LYNN THAT

805
01:38:32,220 --> 01:38:37,659
OUR BELOVE FRIEND WAS DYING.
LYNN, WE WILL NEVER FORGET THE KINDNESS YOU

806
01:38:37,659 --> 01:38:43,031
SHOWED US BY ASKING YOU TO SEND US TEX■MEX
THAT YOU COULD READ TO YOUR FATHER, THANK

807
01:38:43,031 --> 01:38:46,530
YOU FOR THAT.
SHARED WITHIN WASHINGTON AS YOU KNOW I WAS

808
01:38:46,530 --> 01:38:50,969
IN AUSTIN.
I HAD JUST LANDED IN TEXAS, THANK YOU.

809
01:38:50,969 --> 01:38:56,130
IN MY MESSAGE I REMINDED JOHN OF THAT CONVERSATION
HE HAD HAD WITH OUR GRANDSON AND TOLD HIM

810
01:38:56,130 --> 01:38:59,940
I'VE LOST COUNT OF THE NEW MEXICO OF TIMES
I'VE SHARED THE STORY.

811

01:38:59,940 --> 01:39:04,520

AS AN ILLUSTRATION OF WHAT WE GAIN WHEN WE
ENGAGE WITH CIVILITY.

812

01:39:04,520 --> 01:39:11,280

IF AMERICAN ICON JOHN GLENN COULD TAKE THE
TIME TO TREAT A CHILD WITH SUCH RESPECT, SURELY

813

01:39:11,280 --> 01:39:19,460

WE CAN FIND WAYS TO LISTEN TO ONE ANOTHER.
ONE OF MY MOST ENDURING MEMORIES OF JOHN AS

814

01:39:19,460 --> 01:39:25,219

A FRIEND AND MENTOR INVOLVED HIS TWO PRONGED
SENSE OF EMPATHY AND TIMING.

815

01:39:25,219 --> 01:39:34,050

HE AND ANNIE SAT BEHIND ME DURING ONE ONE
OF THE CAMPAIGN DEBATES AND WHEN THE OPPONENT

816

01:39:34,050 --> 01:39:42,349

ENCALLED HIM A LIAR JOHN'S HANDS IMMEDIATELY
PRESSED ON MY SHOULDERS TO KEEP ME IN MY SEE.

817

01:39:42,349 --> 01:39:49,789

HE LEANED IN AND WHISPERED ME TOO BUT NOT
NOW.

818

01:39:49,789 --> 01:39:52,610

JOHN WAS A MAN OF HIS TIME WHO KEPT UP WITH
THE TIMES.

819

01:39:52,610 --> 01:39:57,210

NEFF WAS THAT MORE OBVIOUS TO ME THAN WHEN
HE ENCOURAGED ME TO KEEP WRITING AND SHARING

820

01:39:57,210 --> 01:40:01,530

MY OPINION.
I ONCE VOKED WITH JOHN AND ANNIE THAT I FLUNKED

821

01:40:01,530 --> 01:40:08,170
POLITICAL WIFE TRAINING.
ANNIE GRABBED ONE OF MY HANDS AND JOHN GRABBED

822
01:40:08,170 --> 01:40:11,789
THE OTHER.
LIMP TO ME HE SAID IN A STERN VOICE.

823
01:40:11,789 --> 01:40:15,409
YOU ARE WHO YOU ARE AND THAT IS WHY WE LOVE
YOU.

824
01:40:15,409 --> 01:40:20,559
ANNIE SQUEEZED MY HAND AND ADDED NEVER STOP
SPEAKING YOUR MIND.

825
01:40:20,559 --> 01:40:25,580
I WILL NEVER FORGET THE WAY JOHN TURNED AND
LOCKED EYES WITH ANNIE.

826
01:40:25,580 --> 01:40:33,289
LISTEN TO MY ANNIE, HE SAID, I ALWAYS DO.
THAT IS THE PART OF JOHN GLENN THAT WE MUST

827
01:40:33,289 --> 01:40:36,070
NOT LOSE IN ALL THESE TRIBUTES.
HE LOVED HIS WIFE.

828
01:40:36,070 --> 01:40:40,989
HE LOVED HIS ANNIE.
AND HE NEVER TIRED OF LETTING EVERYONE KNOW.

829
01:40:40,989 --> 01:40:46,929
ONE AFTERNOON WE VISITED THEIR APARTMENT WITH
ACTOR MARTIN SHEEN WHO WAS IN OHIO TO CAMPAIGN

830
01:40:46,929 --> 01:40:51,090
FOR SHARON.
JOHN WAS EXCITED AS EXCITED TO SEE WEST WING'S

831

01:40:51,090 --> 01:40:58,139

PRESIDENT BARTLET AS MARTIN WAS TO SEE ASTRONAUT
JOHN GLENN.

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01:40:58,139 --> 01:41:05,820

WHEN IT WAS TIME FOR ALL OF US TO LEAVE JOHN
HELD OUT HIS EL BEAU FOR ANNIE.

833

01:41:05,820 --> 01:41:15,100

ANNIE HAD OTHER PLAN, ANNIE MARTIN SAID GRINNING
IN THAT IMPISH WAY OF HIS MAY I ESCORT YOU.

834

01:41:15,100 --> 01:41:18,820

>> ANNIE LOOPED HER ARM AROUND HUSBAND AND
SMILED AT JOHN.

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01:41:18,820 --> 01:41:23,010

[LAUGHTER.]

WE'LL SEE YOU WHEN YOU GET THERE.

836

01:41:23,010 --> 01:41:27,199

[LAUGHTER]

JOHN TURNED TO ME IN MOCK HORROR, DID YOU

837

01:41:27,199 --> 01:41:31,610

SEE THAT?

SHE JUST DUMPED ME?

838

01:41:31,610 --> 01:41:38,239

HE STOOD IN THE DOORWAY AND WATCHED HER WALK
THE LENGTH OF THE HALLWAY BEAMING LIKE A BOYFRIEND.

839

01:41:38,239 --> 01:41:44,550

THE LAST TIME I SPEND TIME WITH JOHN AND ANNIE
WAS AT THEIR APARTMENT IN COLUMBUS, WHEN I

840

01:41:44,550 --> 01:41:51,949

SAT DOWN JOHN SAID TO YAPPY SHE IS SITTING
WITH HILLARY SAT.

841

01:41:51,949 --> 01:41:57,050

UNTIL THAT MOMENT, NEITHER US NOR CERTAINLY
ANY MEMBER OF THE IMMEDIATE HI HAD KNOWN HILLARY

842

01:41:57,050 --> 01:42:02,050

JUST STOPPED BY TO VISIT.
FOR MORE THAN AN HOUR WE TALKED ABOUT THE

843

01:42:02,050 --> 01:42:07,780

PRESIDENTIAL RACE AND THE FUTURE OF OUR COUNTRY
BUT SWAPPED STORIES ABOUT OUR CHILDREN AND

844

01:42:07,780 --> 01:42:12,290

GRANDCHILDREN.
JOHN WAS A BIT SLOW ERR BUT ONLY IN MOVEMENT.

845

01:42:12,290 --> 01:42:17,909

HIS MIND WAS AS SHARP AS EVERY.
AS WE PREPARED TO LEAVE HE MADE CLEAR TO US

846

01:42:17,909 --> 01:42:23,159

IN HIS ENGINEERS VOICE THAT HE KNEW TIME WAS
RUNNING OUT.

847

01:42:23,159 --> 01:42:26,349

YOU CAN ONLY REPLACE THE PARTS SO LONG, HE
SAID.

848

01:42:26,349 --> 01:42:32,380

PUTTING A HAND ON EACH OF OUR SHOULDERS.
EVENTUALLY YOU NEED A NEW CHASSIS.

849

01:42:32,380 --> 01:42:42,900

WE WERE QUIET ON THE RIDE BACK TO THE ELEVATOR,
OUR FRIEND WAS ANSWERING THE QUESTION, THIS

850

01:42:42,900 --> 01:42:50,520

ONE UNSPOKEN, AS HONESTLY AS HE COULD.
ONE LAST TIME JOHN GLENN WAS LEADING THE WAY.

851

01:42:50,520 --> 01:42:58,539

ANNIE, I'M HERE AS YOUR FRIEND, TOO, AND AS
A FELLOW POLITICAL WIFE.

852

01:42:58,539 --> 01:43:04,380

HOW YOU AND I HAVE LAUGHED OVER THE YEARS
AT THAT SILLY DEFINITION OF WHO WE ARE.

853

01:43:04,380 --> 01:43:10,150

WE DIDN'T MARRY POLITICS.
WE MARRIED THE MEN WE LOVE.

854

01:43:10,150 --> 01:43:13,090

YOU ONCE TOLD ME THAT JOHN WAS YOUR HERO,
TOO.

855

01:43:13,090 --> 01:43:18,429

BUT FOR REASONS FAR MORE PERSONAL AND MEANINGFUL
THAN THE PUBLIC COULD EVER KNOW.

856

01:43:18,429 --> 01:43:23,079

JOHN KNEW, ANNIE.
ONCE OVER DINNER IN A ROOM PACKED WITH HIS

857

01:43:23,079 --> 01:43:29,360

ADMIRERS I MENTIONED TO JOHN HOW INSPIRING
YOUR MARRIAGE IS TO ME.

858

01:43:29,360 --> 01:43:46,469

HE LEANED IN AND WITH THE SOFTEST EYES SAID,
OH, CONY, I'M WHO I AM BECAUSE OF ANNIE.

859

01:43:46,469 --> 01:44:12,820

WE LOVE YOU, ANNIE.
>> A LITTLE OVER 75 YEARS AGO, ANNIE CASTER

860

01:44:12,820 --> 01:44:18,449

WAS SET TO GIVE HER SENIOR ORGAN RECITAL AT
THE COLLEGE.

861

01:44:18,449 --> 01:44:24,749
ON THE WAY THERE 20-YEAR-OLD JOHN GLENN
WAS LISTENING TO HIS CAR RADIO AND LEARNED

862
01:44:24,749 --> 01:44:32,070
OF THE BOMBING OF PEARL HARBOR.
AFTER THE CONCERT, THE TWO OF THEM SAT TOGETHER

863
01:44:32,070 --> 01:44:37,050
AND TALKED.
HE TOLD HER ABOUT THE ATTACK AND OF HIS PLAN

864
01:44:37,050 --> 01:44:44,599
TO ENLIST.
DECEMBER 7th, 1941, THE PIECES OF THEIR LIFE

865
01:44:44,599 --> 01:44:52,829
CAME TOGETHER AND THEY MAPPED OUT THEIR FUTURE.
ONE OF THE PIECES OF MUSIC SHE PLAYED THAT

866
01:44:52,829 --> 01:45:00,059
DAY WAS "FIN LANDIA" BY SIBELIUS.
IT BECAME A VERY IMPORTANT PIECE OF MUSIC

867
01:45:00,059 --> 01:45:08,300
FOR HER AND HER SON TO BE HUSBAND.
THE CHOIR WILL NOW SING "BE STILL MY SOUL."

868
01:45:08,300 --> 01:46:11,650
".
A HYMN TEXT SET TO

869
01:46:11,650 --> 01:46:47,639
THE TUNE OF "FINLANDIA."

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870
01:49:16,420 --> 01:46:48,639

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871
01:49:16,420 --> 01:49:20,860

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING?
WHAT MATTERS THE MOST?

872
01:49:20,860 --> 01:49:28,000
AND JESUS ANSWERED, LOVE GOD WITH EVERYTHING
IN YOU.

873
01:49:28,000 --> 01:49:35,329
AND LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR IN THE SAME WAY.
THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE, JOHN GLENN NEVER LOST

874
01:49:35,329 --> 01:49:39,889
SIGHT OF WHAT MATTERED THE MOST.
HE LOVED AND SERVED GOD.

875
01:49:39,889 --> 01:49:46,829
HE LOVED AND SERVED HIS NEIGHBOR.
IT'S JUST THAT FOR HIM, THAT CATEGORY OF NEIGHBOR

876
01:49:46,829 --> 01:49:56,150
GOT BIGGER AND BIGGER UNTIL HE SAW THE WHOLE
HUMAN FAMILY AS HIS NEIGHBOR.

877
01:49:56,150 --> 01:50:03,360
THAT PERSPECTIVE, THAT WAY OF SEEING THE WORLD
IS VERY BIBLICAL.

878
01:50:03,360 --> 01:50:11,789
IF YOU LISTEN TO THE DEEP RHYTHMS OF THE BIBLE,
YOU CANNOT MISS GOD'S OVERRIDING CONCERN FOR

879
01:50:11,789 --> 01:50:18,489
THE PUBLIC GOOD.
FOR CREATING A JUST AND MERCIFUL SOCIETY,

880
01:50:18,489 --> 01:50:26,749
FOR PROTECTING THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF THOSE
MOST VULNERABLE, AND GOD HAS A SPECIAL FONDNESS

881
01:50:26,749 --> 01:50:34,070

FOR THOSE WILLING TO PROMOTE THE COMMON GOOD.
PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO ROLL UP THEIR SLEEVES,

882

01:50:34,070 --> 01:50:41,260

TO DO THE HARD MESSY WORK OF HELPING OUR COMMUNITIES
WORK BETTER.

883

01:50:41,260 --> 01:50:50,380

OF CREATING JUST LAWS AND SOCIETIES, THIS
IS COMPLICATED, HARD WORK AND I'M NOT SURE

884

01:50:50,380 --> 01:50:59,140

THERE IS A HIGHER OR HARDER CALLING.
THROUGHOUT HIS ADULT LIFE, SENATOR GLENN SHARED

885

01:50:59,140 --> 01:51:08,659

HIS GIFTS TO WORK TOWARDS THAT COMMON GOOD
AS A PILOT, ASTRONAUT, SENATOR, AND HIS WORK

886

01:51:08,659 --> 01:51:15,900

IN CREATING THE JOHN GLENN SCHOOL.
BUT HIS LEGACY IS NOT LIMITED TO STUDENTS

887

01:51:15,900 --> 01:51:22,280

ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL.
HIS LEGACY IS AVAILABLE TO ALL OF US.

888

01:51:22,280 --> 01:51:32,570

FOR ONE WHO TRAVELLED SO FAR, WHO SOARED SO
HIGH, HE NEVER LEFT THE REST OF US BEHIND.

889

01:51:32,570 --> 01:51:40,090

HE ALWAYS TOOK US WITH HIM.
EARLIER THIS WEEK I ASKED MRS. GLENN ABOUT

890

01:51:40,090 --> 01:51:47,139

HER HUSBAND'S FAITH.
SHE ANSWERED "WE DIDN'T TALK ABOUT IT MUCH

891

01:51:47,139 --> 01:51:54,199

BECAUSE IT WAS IN US."
THE GLENN'S ARE OF A GENERATION THAT RARELY

892
01:51:54,199 --> 01:51:59,889
SPOKE ABOUT THEIR FAITH.
THEY LIVED IT.

893
01:51:59,889 --> 01:52:06,739
FAITH GOD IN JOHN GLENN AT A YOUNG AGE AND
IT TOOK ROOT.

894
01:52:06,739 --> 01:52:13,860
HE HAD A DEEP, LIFE LONG CONNECTION TO GOD
AND TO THE CHURCH.

895
01:52:13,860 --> 01:52:21,070
AND THAT CONNECTION SHAPED THE TRAJECTORY
OF HIS LIFE GIVING HIM THE COURAGE TO DARE

896
01:52:21,070 --> 01:52:31,699
GREATLY AND THE WISDOM TO LIVE HUMBLY AND
HE KNEW IN LIFE AND IN DEATH, HE BELONGED

897
01:52:31,699 --> 01:52:37,840
TO GOD.
SENATOR GLENN DID SOMETHING THAT IS RARELY

898
01:52:37,840 --> 01:52:42,610
DONE.
AND I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT ANY OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

899
01:52:42,610 --> 01:52:50,130
THAT HAVE BEEN MENTIONED TODAY.
THE RARE THING HE DID WAS HE LIVED A LIFE

900
01:52:50,130 --> 01:52:56,150
THAT FULLY AND COMPLETELY REFLECTED HIS DEEPEST
VALUES.

901
01:52:56,150 --> 01:53:03,690

HIS PRIORITIES WERE IN HIS BLOOD STREAM.
HIS VALUES IMBEDDED IN THE SIN APPEARS OF

902
01:53:03,690 --> 01:53:09,590
HIS ■■■ SYNAPSES OF HIS BRAIN, THAT IS
WHY THE PHILIP ANN'S PASSAGE THE FAMILY CHOOSE

903
01:53:09,590 --> 01:53:16,760
FOR TODAY IS SO APPROPRIATE.
HIS LIFE EMBODIES THOSE WORDS.

904
01:53:16,760 --> 01:53:25,139
FINALLY BELOVED, WHATEVER IS TRUE, WHATEVER
IS HONORABLE, WHATEVER IS JUST, WHATEVER IS

905
01:53:25,139 --> 01:53:33,619
PURE, WHATEVER IS PLEASING, WHATEVER IS COMMENDABLE,
IF THERE IS ANY EXCELLENCE AND IF THERE IS

906
01:53:33,619 --> 01:53:38,449
ANYTHING WORTHY OF PRAISE, THINK ABOUT THESE
THINGS.

907
01:53:38,449 --> 01:53:46,989
KEEP ON DOING THE THINGS THAT YOU HAVE LEARNED
AND RECEIVED AND HEARD AND SEEN IN JOHN GLENN.

908
01:53:46,989 --> 01:53:56,059
AND THE GOD OF PEACE WILL BE WITH YOU.
THE TRADITION I REPRESENT, THE TRADITION IN

909
01:53:56,059 --> 01:54:04,520
WHICH JOHN GLENN WAS BAPTIZED AND SO SHAPED
HIS LIFE MAKES THE CLAIM THAT TODAY AT THIS

910
01:54:04,520 --> 01:54:13,719
VERY MOMENT, HE IS ALL RIGHT.
HE IS NOT LOST BUT HE IS FOUND.

911
01:54:13,719 --> 01:54:20,369

AT THIS VERY MOMENT, HE IS WHOLE.
COMPLETE, WELL.

912
01:54:20,369 --> 01:54:29,099
HE IS NOW CRADLED IN THE ARMS OF LOVE.
GOD IS HOLDING HIM TIGHT AND GOD WILL NEVER

913
01:54:29,099 --> 01:54:35,900
EVER LET HIM GO.
TODAY WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR THE LIFE AND

914
01:54:35,900 --> 01:54:41,650
WITNESS OF JOHN GLENN.
LET US PRAY.

915
01:54:41,650 --> 01:54:53,350
OH, GOD, OUR STRENGTH AND OUR REDEEMER, GIVER
OF LIFE AND CONQUEROR OF DEATH, WE OPEN OUR

916
01:54:53,350 --> 01:54:58,280
HEARTS TO YOU.
WE GIVE THANKS FOR YOUR VER VANITY JOHN GLENN

917
01:54:58,280 --> 01:55:03,869
AND FOR HIS LIFE AMONG US.
WE GIVE THANKS FOR ALL THE WAYS IN WHICH HE

918
01:55:03,869 --> 01:55:09,750
SHARED HIS LIFE WITH THE WORLD, AND STOLE
OUR HEARTS.

919
01:55:09,750 --> 01:55:16,820
WE CELEBRATE HIS SENSE OF WONDER, HOW HE MET
CHALLENGES WITH QUIET JOY.

920
01:55:16,820 --> 01:55:23,110
TODAY WE GIVE THANKS FOR HIS DEEP COMMITMENT
TO HIS FAMILY AND WE REMEMBER HIS FAITHFULNESS

921
01:55:23,110 --> 01:55:29,400

TO YOU.
GOD OF BOUNDLESS COMPASSION, BE WITH ALL WHO

922
01:55:29,400 --> 01:55:35,289
ARE MOURNING.
WE PRAY FOR HIS CHERISHED WIFE, FOR HIS BELOVED

923
01:55:35,289 --> 01:55:42,610
CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES, OH, BE WITH ALL
WHO ARE MISSING HIM THIS DAY.

924
01:55:42,610 --> 01:55:50,889
HELP US TO KNOW THAT NOTHING INCLUDING DEATH
CAN SEPARATE US FROM YOUR LOVE.

925
01:55:50,889 --> 01:56:00,320
GIVE US SUCH FAITH THAT BY DAY AND NIGHT AND
ALL TIMES AND IN ALL PLACES, WE MAY WITHOUT

926
01:56:00,320 --> 01:56:08,000
FEAR ENTRUST THOSE WHO ARE DEAR TO US TO YOUR
NEVER FAILING LOVE AND THIS LIFE AND IN THE

927
01:56:08,000 --> 01:56:12,590
LIFE TO COME.
AMEN.

928
01:56:12,590 --> 01:56:32,430
OUR PRAYERS CONTINUE AS THE CHOIR SINGS THE
LORD'S PRAYER.

929
01:56:32,430 --> 01:56:49,319
¶¶
OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN.

930
01:56:49,319 --> 01:57:09,209
¶¶ HALLOWED BE THY NAME.
¶¶ THY KINGDOM COME.

931
01:57:09,209 --> 01:57:39,190

¶¶ THY WILL BE DONE.
¶¶ ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

932
01:57:39,190 --> 01:57:47,090

¶¶
¶¶ GIVE US THIS DAY.

933
01:57:47,090 --> 01:57:55,520

¶¶ OUR DAILY BREAD.
¶¶ AND FORGIVE OUR TRESPASSES.

934
01:57:55,520 --> 01:58:06,270

¶¶ AS WE FORGIVE OTHERS.
¶¶ AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION.

935
01:58:06,270 --> 01:58:22,090

¶¶ BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.
¶¶ FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE POWER,

936
01:58:22,090 --> 01:58:37,270

AND THE GLORY.
¶¶ FOREVER.

937
01:58:37,270 --> 01:58:42,439

¶¶ AMEN.
¶¶

938
01:58:42,439 --> 01:58:53,920

>> HIGH FLIGHT, OH, I HAVE SLIPPED THE SURLY
BONDS OF EARTH AND DANCED THE SKIES ON LAUGHTER

939
01:58:53,920 --> 01:59:00,369

SILVERED WINGS.
SUNWARD I'VE CLIMBED AND JOINED THE TUMBLING

940
01:59:00,369 --> 01:59:07,550

MYTH OF SUN■ SPLIT CLOUDS AND DONE 100 THINGS
YOU HAVE NOT DREAMED OF.

941
01:59:07,550 --> 01:59:16,380

WIELD AND SCORE AND SWUNG HIGH IN THE SUN
LIT SILENCE HOVERING THERE, I'VE CHASED THE

942
01:59:16,380 --> 01:59:26,780
SHOWING WIND ALONG AND FLUNG MY EAGER CRAFT
THROUGH FOOTLESS HALLS OF AIR UP, UP THE LONG

943
01:59:26,780 --> 01:59:35,079
DELIRIOUS BURNING BLEW I'VE TOPPED THE WIND
SWEPT HEIGHT WITH EASY GRACE WHERE NEVER LARK

944
01:59:35,079 --> 01:59:45,559
OR EVEN EAGLE FLEW.
AND WHILE WITH SILENT LIFTING MIND, I'VE TROD

945
01:59:45,559 --> 01:59:57,380
THE HIGH UNTRESPASSED SANCTITY OF SPACE, PUT
OUT MY HAND AND TOUCHED THE FACE OF GOD.

946
01:59:57,380 --> 02:00:05,079
LET US PRAY.
INTO YOUR HARDS MERCIFUL SAVIOR, WE COMMEND

947
02:00:05,079 --> 02:00:15,949
YOUR SERVANT, JOHN, ACKNOWLEDGE, WE PRAY,
A SHEEP OF YOUR FOLD, A LAMB OF YOUR FLOCK,

948
02:00:15,949 --> 02:00:23,280
RECEIVE HIM INTO THE ARMS OF YOUR MERCY, INTO
THE BLESSED REST OF EVER LASTING PEACE AND

949
02:00:23,280 --> 02:00:28,489
INTO THE GLORIOUS COMPANY OF THE SAINTS AND
LIGHT.

950
02:00:28,489 --> 02:00:33,900
AMEN.
NOW MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU.

951
02:00:33,900 --> 02:00:40,860

MAY THE LORD BE KIND AND GRACIOUS TO YOU.
MAY THE LORD LOOK UPON YOU WITH FAVOR AND

952

02:00:40,860 --> 02:00:51,730

GRANT YOU PEACE.

AMEN.

953

02:00:51,730 --> 02:01:02,160

NOW PLEASE RISE AS WE RENDER MILITARY HONORS
AND REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL THE PROGRAM IS COMPLETE.

954

02:01:02,160 --> 02:01:07,560

🎵 (PLAYING TAPS)

🎵

955

02:06:01,610 --> 02:01:08,560

🎵

956

02:06:01,610 --> 02:06:33,939

WE.

LET ME WALK WITH MY BROTHER IN PERFECT HARMONY.

957

02:06:33,939 --> 02:06:47,109

🎵 LET PEACE BEGIN WITH ME.

🎵 LET THIS BE THE MOMENT NOW.

958

02:06:47,109 --> 02:07:07,129

🎵 WITH EVERY STEP I TAKE.

🎵 LET THIS BE MY SOLEMN VOW.

959

02:07:07,129 --> 02:07:21,689

🎵 TO TAKE EACH MOMENT.

🎵 AND LIVE EACH MOMENT.

960

02:07:21,689 --> 02:07:38,069

🎵 WITH PEACE ETERNALLY.

🎵 LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH.

961

02:07:38,069 --> 02:07:40,889

🎵 AND LET IT BE BEGIN WITH ME.

¶¶ LET IT BEGIN WITH ME.

962

02:07:40,889 --> 02:07:46,710

¶¶
¶¶ THE FALLING LEAVES DRIFT BY THE WINDOWS,

963

02:07:46,710 --> 02:07:57,000

THE AUTUMN LEAVES.
¶¶ OF RED AND GOLD.

964

02:07:57,000 --> 02:08:04,920

¶¶ I SEE YOUR LIPS.
¶¶ THE SUMMER KISSES.

965

02:08:04,920 --> 02:08:10,789

¶¶ THE SUNBURNED HANDS, I ICED TO HOLD.
¶¶ SINCE YOU WENT AWAY.

966

02:08:10,789 --> 02:08:19,099

¶¶ THE DAYS GROW LONG.
¶¶ AND SOON I'LL HEAR OLD WINTER'S SONG

967

02:08:19,099 --> 02:08:29,559

¶¶ BUT I MISS YOU MOST OF ALL
¶¶, MY DARLING.

968

02:08:29,559 --> 02:08:46,050

¶¶ WHEN AUTUMN LEAVES START TO FALL
¶¶

969

02:08:46,050 --> 02:08:57,050

¶¶ SINCE YOU WENT AWAY.

970

02:08:57,050 --> 02:09:00,940

¶¶ THE DAYS GROW LONG.
¶¶

971

02:09:00,940 --> 02:09:15,659

¶¶ AND SOON I'LL HEAR OLD WINTER'S SONG
¶¶ BUT I MISS YOU MOST OF

972

02:09:15,659 --> 02:09:18,260

ALL.

¶¶ MY DARYL

973

02:09:18,260 --> 02:09:23,460

¶¶ WHEN AUTUMN LEAVES START TO FALL

¶¶

974

02:09:23,460 --> 02:09:33,814

BE OH, DANNY BOY.

¶¶ THE PIPES, THE PIPES ARE CALLING, FROM

975

02:09:33,814 --> 02:10:01,050

GLEN TO GLEN AND DOWN THE MOUNTAIN SIDE, THE
SUMMER'S GONE AND ALL THE ROSES FALLING, IT'S

976

02:10:01,050 --> 02:10:20,449

YOU, IT'S YOU, MUST GO AND I MUST BIDE.

¶¶ BUT COME YE BACK WHEN SUMMER'S IN THE

977

02:10:20,449 --> 02:10:22,119

MEADOW.

¶¶

978

02:10:22,119 --> 02:10:27,140

OR WHEN THE VALLEY'S HUSHED AND WHITE WITH
SNOW.

979

02:10:27,140 --> 02:10:30,640

¶¶ I'LL BE HERE IN SHINE OR IN SHADOW.

¶¶ OH, DANNY BOY, OH, DANNY BOY, I LOVE

980

02:10:30,640 --> 02:10:31,640

YOU SO.

¶¶

981

02:10:31,640 --> 02:10:33,360

¶¶ BUT WHEN YOU COME.

¶¶ AND ALL THE FLOWERS ARE DYING.

982

02:10:33,360 --> 02:10:36,519

¶¶ IF I AM DEAD.

¶¶ AS DEAD I WELL MAY BE.

983

02:10:36,519 --> 02:10:41,229

¶¶ YOU'LL COME AND FIND THE PLACE WHERE
I AM LYING YOU'LL AND KNEEL AND SAY AN AVE

984

02:10:41,229 --> 02:10:44,610

THERE FOR ME.

AND I WILL SNOW THOUGH SOFT YE TREAD ABOVE

985

02:10:44,610 --> 02:10:47,139

ME AND THEN MY GRAVE WILL RICHER, SWEETER
BE.

986

02:10:47,139 --> 02:10:50,229

¶¶ AND YOU'LL BEND DOWN AND TELL ME THAT
YOU LOVE ME.

987

02:10:50,229 --> 02:10:59,210

¶¶ AND I SHALL SLEEP IN PEACE UNTIL YOU
COME TO ME.

988

02:10:59,210 --> 02:11:00,210

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¶¶