



Service for Marine John Doe

11 December 2017

Brothers and Sisters in Arms, and friends, we have come to the place of Final rest of our departed brother Marine. John is not here unless it be in spirit. His earthly body, the house in which he lived, is all that is left to us. From the earth, it came, to the earth we return it. It is a common end to which we all must come. We do not know why God has seen fit to call our brother, John, to his final reward at this time. We can only bow in submission to His divine will and say with a humble and contrite spirit "Thy will be done." Let us not dwell on the loss of his company but instead rejoice in the fact John lived the life he did. May the devotion and service of our brother Marine serve as an example to us in our associations with our fellowmen. As John enters the Great Unknown may we resolve to so govern our life that we may, as I am sure he will, hear from our Heavenly Father these words of commendation, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter into the joys of thy Lord." And now, dear friend, it is time to bid our last farewell on earth. God, grant we will meet again in our Celestial home.

Our Heavenly Father and Supreme Commandant, be Thou with us as we go our separate ways. Keep our feet firmly on the path of righteousness. Protect and comfort the family of our departed friend John, and finally, when our tour of duty ends on this earth, receive us unto Thyself. Amen.

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