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 **Service for Marine**

**1 October 2021**

 **We are gathered here today to honor a brother Marine and fallen warrior. When the Eagle Globe and**

**Anchor was pinned on @’s chest his life as a Marine began. From that point on he was and always**

**would be a Marine. During his life @ honored our motto “Semper Fidelis”, by faithfully serving his God,**

**his Country, and our beloved Marine Corps. When he became a Marine, @ acquired an extended family,**

**his Marine brothers, and sisters. We as members of his Marine family, are here to pay tribute to our brother.**

**We, however, did not come here to mourn @’s death, we came here honor him for the life he lived. It
was a life of Honor and Service. In a few minutes @’s life as a Marine will be recognized with the**

**playing of TAPS and the folding of the flag. His family will hear words of Thanks from The President of the**

**United States, the Commandant of the Marine Corps and a grateful Nation. So, it is now the time for us to**

 **say farewell to @, with a salute, to him, and to his family, that supported him and allowed him**

**to be the Marine he was. Hand Salute “Semper Fi and Rest in Peace Marine”**

**Closing prayer:**

**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 brother @,**

 **And finally, when our tour of duty ends on this earth, receive us unto Thyself. Amen**