

Special Edition

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THE LAMP NEWSLETTER



**41st President of the United States of America
George Herbert Walker Bush
June 12, 1924 – November 30, 2018**



Dear Readers,

The death of our former president, GEORGE H. W. BUSH, brought a great change to our nation from November 30, 2018 to December 8, 2018.

We, here in America, stopped in the midst of all of the things that we considered important, urgent and our daily grind to pay respect to

President Bush. It seemed like we became more sensitive, concerned, and caring during this time of grieving. We united and set our political difference aside to mourn our former president.

We have been caught-up in the arguments, debates, and a lot of ugliness. Harsh words, threats, boasting, bragging, and a lot of bitterness truly have taken control of our political people. It has spilled over out on the streets, into our homes, schools, businesses, communities...and churches. Well, it ain't right! We have allowed our opinions and differences to DIVIDE US! You know it's true.

Have we lost our minds? What happened to common courteousness? Why are we in such a RAGE?

Now, when the news came that President George H. W. Bush died, it was like we woke up and got ourselves together. News reports from the media turned from reporting all of the craziness and bitterness to speaking softly and respectfully about President Bush. That's amazing because if we take a trip down memory lane we know he received a lot of criticism and slight remarks for many of his decisions and political choices.

It is TRUE..."Time brings about a change." See, since we have so much disrespect, unpleasantness and a whole lot of...prejudice and rude ways among us...we can NOW SEE CLEARLY that at one time life was different.

There was a time when MORE great men and great women were noble, honorable, caring, and respectable. Husbands loved and cherished their wives since they were leaders. They cared about their reputation...and their name.

We lived at a time when gentle words were used and not words to stir up anger and violence. More of our political leaders were honest and strived to be a good example for others and their family. Dignity meant much more then.

At the death of President Bush, we came together to reflect upon his life and learned much more than we thought we would. Republicans, Democrats and other political parties set aside differences because God was showing us something we need to see with our eyes and feel in our hearts. So, we must learn to change our ways and follow what is right...decent... and respectful.

A SPECIAL EDITION

This newsletter features a special report that one of my staff writers wrote and presented on my radio program, RESTORE! RESTORE! It is aired by Beverly Black Johnson the CEO and founder of the Tribe Family Channel. This ministry comes on every second Sunday of the month in the evening for two hours.

Author Ramelle T. Lee is the Co-Host and News Anchor on this radio outreach. Since April of 2018, she has been presenting the News on air. It is to focus on the prayer needs that must be brought before the Lord.

So, I wanted to share and feature this news coverage because we are at a time when we are truly called to reflect on the life of those who uphold what is honorable. This is important. Ramelle did an excellent job on this News coverage. God has blessed her to be masterful in her position. I am grateful for her dedication.

~~~**Wanda J. Burnside, Founder and Publisher, The Lamp Newsletter.**



**RAMELLE T. LEE**  
**RESTORE! RESTORE! Radio Co-Host**  
**and News Anchor**

On Friday, November 30, 2018, **George Herbert Walker Bush, the 41<sup>st</sup> president of the United States**, died at the age of 94 years old. He is the father of the 43<sup>rd</sup> President, George W. Bush, Florida's 43<sup>rd</sup> Governor, Jeb Bush and three other children.

Prayers and heartfelt sympathy are extended to the entire Bush family. They are still mourning the loss of their dear mother, former first lady **Barbara Pierce Bush**, who died on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at the age of 92.

- President George H.W. Bush was married to his wife Barbara for 73 years.
- They have 6 children, 17 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

Our 45<sup>th</sup> president, Donald Trump, officially designated Wednesday, December 5, 2018, as a national day of mourning in the United States in observance of the passing of President George H. W. Bush.

Several presidential ceremonies and events were held in memorial and remembrance to honor the life and legacy of President, George H. W. Bush. Live coverage of all ceremonies was reportedly televised in its entirety.

Full military honors were given at each ceremonial service with draped casket, U.S. Armed Forces honor guards, military band and a twenty-one (21) gun salute.

**Departure Ceremony:**

- Service was held at Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base in Houston, Texas. The Presidential Air Force One was designated as, **Special Air Mission 41** transporting the Bush family, friends, staff associates aboard.
- George H. W. Bush, lay in state for a presidential ceremony at the United States Capital (Rotunda) in Washington, D.C.
- On December 5, 2018, a Presidential Funeral Service for George H.W. Bush was held at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. In attendance were the former sitting presidents and their wives:  
**39<sup>th</sup> President Jimmy Carter, former first lady, Rosalynn Carter**  
**42<sup>nd</sup> President Bill Clinton, former first lady, Hillary Clinton**  
**44<sup>th</sup> President Barack Obama, former first lady, Michelle Obama**
- Our 45<sup>th</sup> President, Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump were also in attendance at this service.
- Former President, George W. Bush, gave a moving Eulogy Tribute to his beloved father, President George H.W. Bush.

- December 6, 2018, the State Funeral Service was held at Saint Martin's Episcopal Church in Houston, Texas.
- On that day, the late President George H. W. Bush, made his final 70-mile journey to College Station, Texas, aboard his presidential train nicknamed the "Bush 4141."
- President George H. W. Bush is buried behind his presidential library on the Texas A & M University Campus. His dearly beloved wife, former First Lady Barbara Pierce Bush and the couple's loved daughter Robin (3 years old) are also buried at this location.

Today, we remember President George H. W. Bush:

- American politician for 77 years.
  - Fought in World War II
  - Elected to US House of Representatives in 1966
  - Served as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations 1971
  - Director of the Central Intelligence Agency in 1976
  - Served as 43<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of the United States from 1981 to 1989.
  - In 2011 honored with the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama
- \* *President George H.W. Bush was the last great "soldier's statesmen"*
  - \* *Devoted and beloved father, grandfather and great-grandfather*
  - \* *One who gave a lifetime of service to his country, the United States of America.*
  - \* *A man of deep faith and trust in God*
  - \* *He strongly loved God, his wife, his family, and his country*
  - \* *He was a true political servant.*
  - \* *He was highly respected throughout the nation and the world.*
  - \* *He served with honor, dignity and respect.*

YOUNG GEORGE H. W. BUSH. HE FOUGHT IN WORLD WAR II.

**GEORGE HERBERT WALKER BUSH**



Service Branch:  
**USN**

Rank / Rate:  
**LT**

Service Dates:  
**1942 to 1945**

Born:  
**MILTON, MA**  
**06/12/24**

Photo: **USS SAN JACINTO**  
**1942**



## The wedding of George H. W. Bush to Barbara Pierce in 1945



**George and Barbara Bush were married for 73 years.**





# HIGH HONORS AND GREAT RECOGNITION



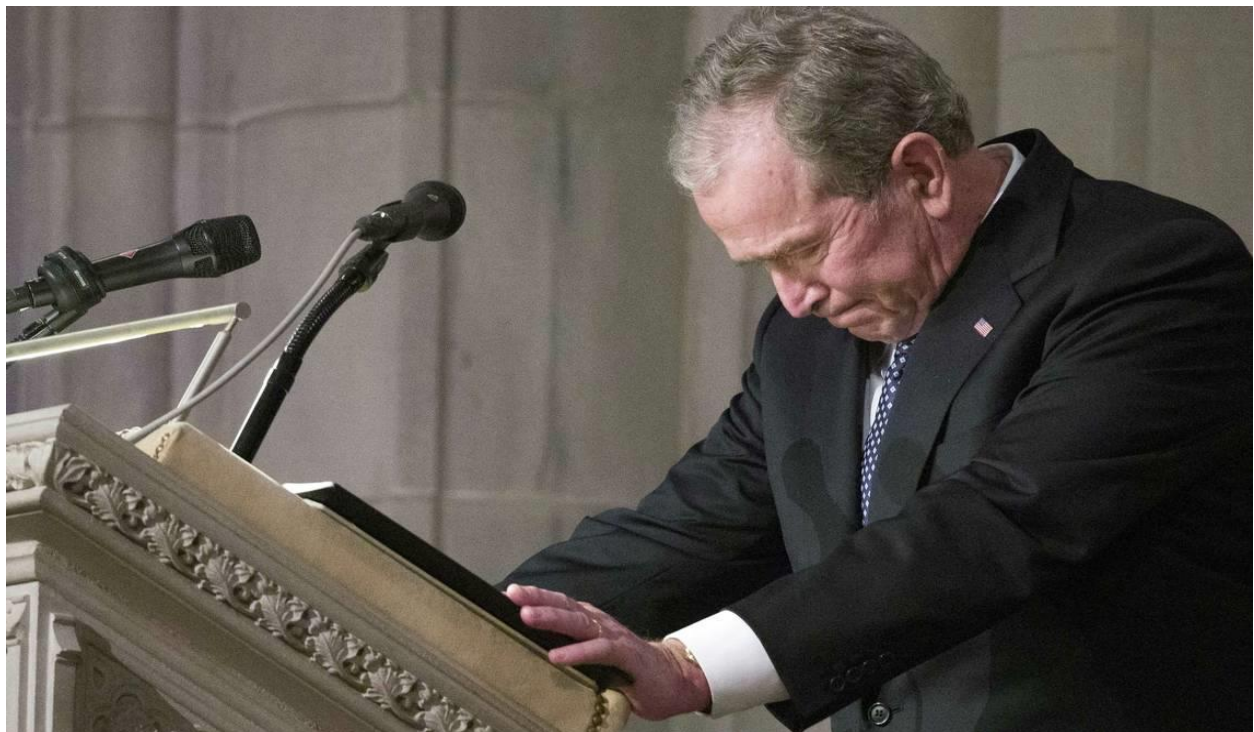
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“Presidential Medal of Freedom” by President Barack Obama.**

# THE BUSH FAMILY



**President George H. W. Bush's 92<sup>nd</sup> Birthday celebration  
with his wife and family.**

**Laura and George W. Bush at the National Memorial in Washington.**



**Former USA President, George W. Bush, gave a moving eulogy tribute honoring his father, President George H. W. Bush.**

**In closing...**

The staff of this newsletter was very concerned about the death of President George H. W. Bush. We communicated with each other and prayed. This is not new. I am thankful for the unity and respect that we have and show for each other.

My staff of writers is in the United States, Australia and the UK. We emailed each other and shared our feelings as we always do about different matters and issues. As Christians, we seek God for His directions and word. This is vital. It is necessary!

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