



LIVE ON C-SPAN, FUNERAL EVENTS FOR FORMER PRESIDENT GERALD R.

Live Coverage Starts Friday, December 29, 2006 and Continues Through Wednesday, January 3, 2007

WASHINGTON (December 28, 2006) - C-SPAN plans live coverage during the six days of memorial services and events for former President Gerald R. Ford in C-SPAN's unique format, aired with no commentary and as events unfold. As a complement to the network's live event coverage, C-SPAN will also garner the reactions from viewers around the world as the network takes calls between events.

All coverage will air LIVE on C-SPAN

Friday, December 29

3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ET-- C-SPAN airs LIVE coverage of the military arrival ceremony at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Palm Desert, Calif

Saturday, December 30

Starting at 1:15 p.m. ET-- C-SPAN airs live event coverage from California, as President Ford leaves the church in Palm Springs and departs for the Capitol.

5 p.m. -Midnight ET--C-SPAN resumes live coverage with the arrival at Andrews Air Force Base and motorcade through Alexandria, Va. followed by a stop at the World War II Memorial en route to the Capitol, where the arrival ceremony at the Capitol Rotunda is scheduled for **6:30 p.m. ET**. A public viewing as President Ford lies in state is scheduled from 8:20 p.m. to Midnight.

Sunday, December 31 and Monday, January 1

9 a.m. - 6 p.m. ET -- Throughout both days, C-SPAN will air live segments during its scheduled programming of the public viewing for President Ford as he lies in state in the Capitol Rotunda.

Tuesday, January 2

7 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. ET -- C-SPAN's coverage of the funeral for President Ford starts live with the "**Washington Journal**" at 7 a.m. ET and continues throughout the morning with the service at the National Cathedral in Washington, DC and the departure ceremony from Andrews Air Force Base. **2:15 p.m. ET** C-SPAN's event coverage resumes from Grand Rapids, Michigan with the arrival ceremony at the Gerald R. Ford International Airport. Following a private service at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum, President Ford will lie in repose until 3:30 p.m. ET

Wednesday, January 3

1 p.m. - 4 p.m. ET -- Live event coverage resumes with coverage of the departure ceremony at the museum for President Ford and procession to Grace Episcopal Church for a private service followed by a ceremony at the museum marking the interment.

A special Web page on the death of former President Ford is available at www.c-span.org under "Featured Links," or <http://www.c-span.org/executive/ford.asp>, that contains streaming video of his speeches, interviews, debates, and a programming schedule with links to additional resources and information.

C-SPAN.org will feature a live video stream of President Ford lying in state in the Capitol rotunda during his public viewing, as part of the network's special Web coverage. The video stream will be available throughout public viewing hours, which starts Saturday night from 8:20 pm-Midnight and continues on Sunday and Monday from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. ET.

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