Media Advisory

Memorial Service for J. Carter Brown (1934-2002)
Director Emeritus, National Gallery of Art

When:

3:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 17, 2002

Where:

Washington National Cathedral
Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues, N.W.

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Who:

Eulogists:

- Earl A. Powell III, director, National Gallery of Art
  (worked as executive curator and in other posts under Brown, 1976-80, and succeeded him as the Gallery’s director in 1992)

- Dr. Vartan Gregorian, President of the Carnegie Corporation, President Emeritus of Brown University (renamed in 1804 in recognition of Nicholas Brown’s contributions)

- U.S. Senator Hillary Clinton
  (Brown was a member of the Committee for the Preservation of the White House during the Clinton administration)

Reflection:

- I.M. Pei, architect
  (collaborated with Brown on the award-winning design of the...
National Gallery's East Building

- Scriptural Readings by Brown family members:

- Capt. Nicholas Brown, USN (retired), brother; former director of National Aquarium, Baltimore

- Elissa Lucinda Rionda Brown, daughter

Officiant: The Very Reverend Nathan D. Baxter
dean of the National Cathedral

Homily: The Reverend Dr. Peter J. Gomes, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church, Harvard University (Brown received his AB, summa cum laude, in 1958 and his MBA there in 1958)

Music: Marvin Martin, soprano; José Simbulan, pianist; Paula Robison, flutist; Members of the Cathedral Choral Society and the Choral Arts Society of Washington

Honorary Ushers: Charles Atherton, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts; Hugh Newell Jacobsen, architect; Mark Leithauser, Gallery Chief of Design; D. Dodge Thompson, Gallery Chief of Exhibitions; Ambassador F. Hayden Williams, WWII Memorial Site and Design Committee

General Information

The National Gallery of Art and its Sculpture Garden, located on the National Mall between Third and Ninth Streets at Constitution Avenue, NW, are open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Gallery is closed on December 25 and January 1.

Sculpture Garden Extended Summer Hours
(Memorial Day through Labor Day):
Monday-Thursday, Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Visitors will be asked to present all bags for inspection as they enter the Gallery. Luggage or garment bags will not be permitted in either building and may not be checked.

General information: (202) 737-4215
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National Gallery of Art director J. Carter Brown (center), with Paul Mellon (left) and I.M. Pei in the nearly-complete East Building atrium, January 20, 1978.

National Gallery of Art director J. Carter Brown (left) guides King Juan Carlos I of Spain (center) through the exhibition "Circa 1492: Art in the Age of Exploration" in October 1991. Jay Levenson, exhibition curator, looks on.

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