YORBA LINDA, CALIFORNIA - The Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum will commemorate President Nixon’s 1994 State Services with a new display of artifacts and dramatic photographs that tell the story of the events that lead to the passing of the 37th President and the formal memorial that followed in his honor at his Library in Yorba Linda.

The services brought U.S. Presidents Ford, Carter, Reagan, Bush and Clinton and their First Ladies to Yorba Linda, as well as hundreds of foreign and U.S. congressional leaders, thousands of admirers and millions of television viewers who watched from around the globe.

"May the day of judging President Nixon on anything less than his entire life and career come to a close," President Clinton said in a moving eulogy. Senator Bob Dole declared “the second half of the 20th century will be known as the age of Nixon.” Dr. Henry Kissinger commended the President as a statesman. "In the conduct of foreign policy, Richard Nixon was one of the seminal presidents."

Following the President’s passing on April 22, 1994, the Nixon Library immediately became the place for the public to pay tribute and remember his nearly 50 years of public service. More than 50,000 mourners waited in line for many hours to see the flag-draped casket that laid in repose in the museum, surrounded by a Marine Corps Joint Services Honor Guard.

Visitors to the special exhibit will see the sport coat that Richard Nixon wore when he suffered the stroke at his home in New Jersey, his hospital tags from New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, and the American Flag received by the President’s daughters Tricia Nixon Cox and Julie Nixon Eisenhower from the Honor Guard at the memorial site.

Upon hearing of the President’s stroke, well-wishers from around the country sent flowers, letters and cards. On display will
be letters from President and Mrs. Ronald Reagan, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, Dick Cheney, President Lyndon B. Johnson’s daughter Luci Baines Johnson, Senator Dan Coats of Indiana, Colonel Oliver North, former Secretary of State George Shultz and Mrs. John B. Connally of Texas.

The exhibition is jointly presented by the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum and the Richard Nixon Foundation.

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The Richard Nixon Foundation is a not-for-profit organization at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library dedicated to education, and illuminating the life and legacy of America's 37th President. For more information call (714) 993-5075 or visit the Foundation online at Nixonfoundation.org.

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