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He does not want more than one service in Washington and that one should be in the rotunda. He does not want a separate service in a Church. In the funeral procession in Washington, he does not want the riderless horse used because he feels it is not appropriate for a civilian. At the memorial service in the rotunda he wants Billy Graham and Norman Vincent Peale to handle the prayers. He does not want a Catholic or Jew to participate. He wants a layman selected to deliver his eulogy and he doesn't have any strong feelings as to who that ought to be.

Following the lying in state at the rotunda and the services there, he would like the body flown to California and he would like a simple burial service there. He prefers burial at Rosehill Cemetery near his parents and a site should be tentatively selected for that purpose.

He wants to direct that those who wish to make contributions in his memory should do so to the Boys Clubs of America but he does not feel the announcement should be put out that no flowers are to be sent since people send them anyway.

I believe that we should get together in the very near future and lay out the general requirements and that you should then develop a comprehensive funeral plan for the President which we can submit to him for his approval.

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