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KENNEDY MEMORIAL SERVICE (290)

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DALLAS, TEX., NOV. 22 (AP)-DALLAS HONORED THE MEMORY OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY TODAY WITH THE FIRST PUBLIC SERVICE HERE SINCE THE DAYS IMMEDIATELY AFTER KENNEDY WAS ASSASSINATED IN DALLAS THREE YEARS AGO.

PRIVATE CITIZENS ORGANIZED THE CEREMONY, WHICH FEATURED THE FORT WORTH BOYS CHOIR THAT SANG FOR KENNEDY THE MORNING OF HIS DEATH.

AN EARLY VISITOR TO THE NEW HISTORICAL MARKER A BLOCK FROM THE SLOPING STREET WHERE THE LATE PRESIDENT WAS KILLED WAS DALLAS MAYOR ERIK JONSSON.

HE CARRIED A WREATH OF BLUSH-PINK ROSES ON A GREEN SATIN STANDARD "ON BEHALF OF THE CITY."

JONSSON SAID HE RECALLED HOW "WE WERE NOT ONLY SHOCKED BUT STUNNED THREE YEARS AGO, LIKE PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD.

"TIME CHANGES THE FORM OF GRIEF BUT NOT THE EMOTION ITSELF," THE MAYOR SAID. "A GREAT MANY PEOPLE HERE THINK OF THE PRESIDENT A GOOD DEAL, NOW AND IN BETWEEN THESE ANNIVERSARIES. I KNOW THERE ARE REALLY THESE FEELINGS."

JONSSON CAME EARLY TO THE SITE BECAUSE HE COULD NOT ATTEND THE CITIZENS' CEREMONY LATER IN THE MORNING.

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MRS. MARTINA LANGLEY, A RICHARDSON LAWYER AND HOUSEWIFE WHO WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN PERSUADING THE CITY TO ERECT A HISTORICAL MARKER --AND TO CONFINE THE WORDING ON IT TO THE ASSASSINATION EVENTS ONLY--ORGANIZED THE CEREMONY.

THE BOYS CHOICE SELECTIONS INCLUDED "MUSTANG GRAY" WHICH KENNEDY INDICATED HE ENJOYED THAT MORNING IN FORT WORTH; THE NATIONAL ANTHEM, A THANKSGIVING HYMN AND A GREGORIAN CHANT.

THE VERY REV. OSCAR HUBER, THE PRIEST WHO ADMINISTERED LAST RITES TO THE PRESIDENT, WAS A PARTICIPANT. DR. TOM FRY OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HEADED THE PROGRAM.

A SECOND MEMORIAL SERVICE WAS AT THE JOHN F. KENNEDY LIVING CENTER FOR RETARDED CHILDREN, SCHEDULED FOR 12:30 P.M.--THE MOMENT THE PRESIDENT WAS SHOT NOV. 22, 1963.

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