



head of the Glee Club told me, "Your father was a legend here."

These are personal, not political thoughts. I always felt his career in the Senate was underrated. Yet his life was an inspiration to his sons and daughter, his grandchildren, and to those he served.

— GEORGE HERBERT WALKER BUSH

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