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MARINE TRIBUTE TO THE FALLEN RUN

FORT GORDON, GA – The eighth annual “Tribute to The Fallen” will begin this year at 10:56 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30th, with the opening ceremony on Barton Field across from the library on Rice Road.

Marines, Navy personnel and other military members will run around Barton Field, 24 hours per day for 10 days, to honor the more than 1,480 Marines and Navy personnel who have lost their lives in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The event will begin with the commanding officer of the Fort Gordon Marine Corps Detachment ordering that 21 rounds of ammunition be delivered to a firing detail. As each runner completes a three-mile lap, the 21 rounds will be passed on to the next runner.

The final lap will be run at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 8th, by the entire group of Marines and Sailors who participated in the event, plus supporting Fort Gordon military units and commanders.

The tribute will conclude when the 21 rounds are handed to the firing detail, and the 21-gun salute is rendered.

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