

OKLAHOMA CITY BOMBING
MEMORIAL CEREMONY

Richard Varr

((Video of bagpipe musicians marching))

Natural Sound -- bagpipes

Soundbite
"Nobody can imagine the emotions that
go through with something like this.."

((video of damaged federal building))

A PIERCING SHRILL ECHOED
THROUGH THE HOLLOW
EMPTINESS OF NINE DEFACED
FLOORS.

Natural sound
"We come today to remember their
lives..."

((video of crews at attention beneath
federal building))

STANDING TALL TOGETHER...
THE RESCUE CREWS... FIREMEN...
POLICE OFFICERS...

Natural Sound
"Right face"

AND FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF
THE NEARLY 170 VICTIMS HERE....
ALL HUDDLED TOGETHER
ASKING WHY... BUT TODAY LEFT
ONLY TO SAY GOODBYE.

Oklahoma Governor

Soundbite
"We stand on the very spot where this
savage act occurred."

((video of more crowd shots))

THIS DEVASTATED FEDERAL
BUILDING HAS BEEN THEIR LIVES
FOR THE PAST TWO WEEKS.

PICKING THROUGH A NOW
HALLOWED SIGHT FOR SIGNS OF
LIFE...

BUT ONLY FINDING DEATH...
AND DEBRIS.

RICHARD VARR

Natural Sound -- clapping

BUT A GENTLE APPLAUSE FOR
RESCUE CREWS AS RESIDENTS
OFFERED A HEARTY THANK YOU.

Bystander

Soundbite

"I've stayed away just watching it on TV
... but for me to really deal with it... I
needed to see it... I needed to see these
poor guys... I couldn't have done it."

((video of saddened woman with rose))

VENTING THEIR ANGER AND
TEARS ONE LAST TIME.

SOFT RED ROSES DOING LITTLE
TO CHEER UP TROUBLED FACES.

Firefighter

Soundbite

"There is an indelible scar, but it's just a
part of life you have to deal with and go
on."

Richard on Camera

((Richard Stand-up))

HARDLY A 30 MINUTE CEREMONY
WON'T ERASE THE PAST 16 DAYS
OF EMOTIONAL AGONY.

BUT THE REMAINING TONS OF
RUBBLE MAY BE EASIER TO
REMOVE NOW... AS THIS
COMMUNITY LIFTS MOST OF THE
EMOTIONAL WEIGHT OFF ITS
SHOULDERS.

((video of wreaths and writing on walls))

AND AS THE CROWD CLEARED ...
WREATHS AND TRIBUTES TO THE
YOUNGEST VICTIMS... THE
CHILDREN... WHO PERISHED IN THE
BUILDING'S DAY CARE CENTER.

((video of building))

UNDER A MASSIVE AND
SYMBOLIC GRAVESTONE.

((video of child with flower))

WHERE THOSE TOO YOUNG WILL
SOMEDAY LEARN WHAT HAPPENED
HERE.

IN OKLAHOMA CITY... RICHARD
VARR.... XYZ NEWS.