

## Feedback from the 2007 Grad march back

- I did this with my daughter, and was surprised how much fun I had. It is an experience and memory we both will treasure!
- The March back takes its place now as a serious part of the West Point saga and traditions. It bonds the Long Gray Line. The inspiration flows both ways.
- It was one of the most memorable events of my life, especially the opportunity to march with my new cadet son and other graduates.
- Professionalism of the Cadet Cadre exhibited in their dealings with the plebes and especially with the grads was outstanding. The Corps lives!
- Being able to talk with Plebes and cadre in an informal way during the march is an incredible opportunity. I can attest to the fact that USMA is attracting our best and brightest.
- The opportunity to talk with the Class of 2011 as they trekked over those hills restored my faith in American youth. These enthusiastic young plebes represent the very best...
- A tremendous inspiration to the grads... While impressed by the new cadets and their exhibited class spirit and cohesiveness, the work by the cadre was most inspiring. The young men and ladies of 2009 were distinguished by their knowledge and concern for the new cadets under their care.
- I think the march back is an excellent tool for bonding members of the Long Gray Line with the Corps. I plan to be back next year. I was filled with pride at being able once more to march on the Plain with my classmates, fellow graduates and members of the Corps of Cadets.
- It was a unique memory that my daughter and I always share. Much better than the original in 1968.
- I found the march from the ski slope to the Sup's house to be surprisingly emotional for me; the act of marching in formation with old friends for the first time in 25-30 years brought back more good memories of my time in the service than any cocktail hour could ever have. It also symbolized the comradeship which develops when diverse individuals work together for a common purpose. It was the perfect end to a hot, wet and fatiguing, but ultimately rewarding experience.