

Milwaukee County Exec. Crowley: Statement on passing of General Colin Powell

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MILWAUKEE, WI - The following is the statement of Milwaukee County Executive on the passing of General Colin Powell who died Monday morning at Walter Reed National Medical Center:

“General Powell was a courageous soldier, a dynamic leader, and a trailblazing military leader. He dedicated his life to defending our nation and rose to the nation’s highest-ranking military officer as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

“As the son of Jamaican immigrants, Gen. Powell overcame mountains of adversity to grow into the man who would help shape American foreign policy for over two decades. Serving 35 years in the Army, including two combat tours in Vietnam and postings in West Germany and South Korea, Gen. Powell dedicated his life to public service, ensuring our nation’s strength, and the security of all Americans.

“During his time in public life, he exemplified dignity, integrity, and leadership. His life and career are an inspiration not only to our military service members, but to all who work to improve the lives of everyone in our country.

“Our family sends our deepest condolences to the entire Powell family and to everyone mourning his loss today.”