



## Friday Night Activities Announced for the 2022 Lockheed Martin Commanders' Classic Presented by USAA

*Friday Night to include Pep Rally and Air Force vs. Army Boxing at Texas Live!*

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**Arlington, Texas** – The Lockheed Martin Commanders' Classic presented by USAA is returning to Arlington this November. The weekend will once again be enhanced with a pep rally presented by Exchange and Air Force vs. Army Boxing presented by USAA on Friday, November 4.

Friday's activities kick off with a free pep rally at the North Plaza of Globe Life Field at 6:00 p.m. The night continues with the men's and women's boxing teams from Air Force and Army facing off at 7:00 p.m. in the Arlington Backyard at Texas Live!

Both events on Friday are free, non-ticketed events and space is available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

"USAA is a longtime supporter of the military academies and their athletic programs, and we are excited to once again be a part of the Commanders' Classic between Air Force and Army," said retired Vice Admiral John Bird, USAA senior vice president of military affairs. "This weekend of events, including the pep rally, boxing competition and the football game, are another opportunity for us to demonstrate our support for these future American leaders, their families and the entire military community."

"The Exchange is honored to be a part of the Commanders' Classic," said Exchange Director/CEO Tom Shull, USMA Class of 1973. "While the competition is amazing, so is the revelry. Army and Air Force fans can show their spirit at the pep rally the night before the game. Team Exchange looks forward to connecting with Black Knights and Falcons fans in Arlington."

The weekend continues with the previously announced football matchup between Air Force and Army on November 5 at 10:30 a.m. Tickets for Saturday's contest are on sale now at [CommandersClassic.com](http://CommandersClassic.com).

This is the second year for the storied rivalry to be played at Globe Life Field, and the 57<sup>th</sup> meeting between the U.S. Air Force Academy and the U.S. Military Academy. Army will be the home team for the 2022 matchup.

The 2021 Commanders' Classic was the first-ever college football game at Globe Life Field. Army defeated Air Force, 21-14 in overtime during the inaugural game.

Air Force leads the all-time series, 38-16-1. This will be the Falcons and Black Knights fourth time to play each other at a neutral site, 1959 (13-13 tie) in New York's Yankee Stadium, 1963 (Army, 14-10), 1965 (Air Force, 14-3) at Chicago's Soldier Field and 2021 at Globe Life Field.

REV Entertainment will once again host and operate the games with marketing assistance from Dallas-based LST Marketing.

The Friday activities round out the previously announced weekend events, which also includes Sky Ball Gala XX, hosted by the Airpower Foundation. Sky Ball XX will take place at Globe Life Field on Thursday, November 3, 2022.

Sky Ball XX will be the Kick-off Military Fundraising Gala for a jam-packed weekend of military appreciation in Arlington, Texas. This year marks two decades of the Airpower Foundation raising the much-needed funds to support our military servicemen and women, veterans, and their families.

Sky Ball is the premier fundraising event for the Airpower Foundation and has raised over \$25 million since its inception. All funds raised go to thoroughly vetted military support programs through a grant process. For more information visit [AirPowerFoundation.org](http://AirPowerFoundation.org).

For more information on all activities surrounding the 2023 Lockheed Martin Commanders' Classic Presented by USAA visit [CommandersClassic.com](http://CommandersClassic.com).

### Full Schedule:

- **Thursday, November 3** – 7:00 p.m.: Sky Ball XX (AirPowerFoundation.org) (Globe Life Field)
- **Friday, November 4** – 6:00 p.m.: Air Force vs. Army Pep Rally presented by Exchange (Texas Live!)
- **Friday, November 4** – 7:00 p.m.: Air Force vs. Army Boxing Match presented by USAA (Texas Live!)
- **Saturday, November 5** – 10:30 a.m.: Lockheed Martin Commanders' Classic, presented by USAA

*Credential information will be available at a later date. For more information contact [credentials@REVentertainment.com](mailto:credentials@REVentertainment.com).*

### About Globe Life Field:

Globe Life Field is not only the home of the Texas Rangers but has also hosted numerous sports and entertainment events since its opening in March 2020. These include the Major League Baseball NLDS, NLCS, and World Series and Wrangler® National Finals Rodeo in 2020 and the State Farm College Baseball Showdown, over 50 total college baseball games, the Hella Mega Tour featuring Green Day, Fall Out Boy, and Weezer, and Chris Stapleton in Concert in 2021. Last fall, the building hosted 10 football games, the Lockheed Martin Commanders' Classic presented by USAA between the U.S. Air Force Academy and the U.S. Military Academy and nine high school regular season and playoff contests.

**About Lockheed Martin:**

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