We will prevail

In the wake of April 16, the Hokie Nation grew stronger. Virginia Tech’s students, faculty, and staff grieved with and consoled each other—friends and strangers alike—from the Drillfield to Cassell Coliseum. The following images capture but a fraction of the sorrow and support shared by members of the Virginia Tech community during the days following the tragedy.

Cadets volunteered to guard the Alumni Association wreath, first in the War Memorial Chapel and then at the cenotaph. According to Maj. Gen. Jerry Allen, commandant of cadets, there were so many volunteers that the tours of duty were reduced from one hour to 15 minutes.