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papers, family, and friends of Yates, they round out the portrait of a man who could be petty and stubborn at times, but who had also found the key to being effective, respected, and able to reach across a violently partisan aisle, demonstrating that even in these hostile times, there are ways for representatives to work together for the public good"

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