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Next page: A U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team member soars near an Air Force F-22 Raptor 26 May 2017 during the Memorial Day weekend National Salute to America's Heroes Miami Air and Sea Show at U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Miami in Opa-locka, Florida. Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard service members participated in the show to demonstrate their capabilities to the public, educate, and increase awareness of each branch's unique mission and role. (Photo by Senior Airman Erin Trower, U.S. Air Force)

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