

Newsletter of The Georgia Society

Special Edition

Sons of the American Revolution

The Hornet's Nest



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Special Annual Conference Edition

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The center of the fight for Independence in Wilkes County, Georgia, became known as "the hornet's nest" because of the stinging attacks made from there by the Georgia Patriots against the British and Tories.

The President's Farewell

This Is The Year That Was

Years ago in the far and distant past there was an old TV show that had a skit called "That Was The Week That Was." They would recap the week in a fun and entertaining way. I hope this article will do them justice as I recap the year that was. As you read this article think of Goldie Hawn and go-go dancers and a show called "Laugh-In".

Stepping into the office of President is akin to jumping on a roller coaster. You are ascending high hills you did not think you would make, and all of a sudden you crest the hill and you are speeding forward into a world filled with excitement. It is a blur of wonderful people and places I have never been before, royally entertained and lots of weight to be gained! There were a couple of times along the way that I experienced great sadness. One of our members lost his wife, and we lost a beloved member, Rick Reese.

I have never been so far away from home so many times without leaving the country or spent so many hours driving down Interstates 75 and 16. It has been said of the Atlanta airport if you are going to Heaven or Hell you have to go through Atlanta. If you are in the SAR going to an event south of Atlanta, you have to go through Macon.

When you are constantly on the move, it is hard to keep track of what is next. I am one of those people who keeps everything important on little scraps of paper stuck all around or on my Mac Book. I have a paper imp living in my house who keeps hiding or taking my little scraps of paper, so I am grateful for a wife who keeps a calendar, and this year has harassed, cajoled, and threatened me into doing the same. Without this new found invention, I would not be able to recall the events of this last year or have made it on time to what was planned next.

This adventure begins on a Friday; this is not a TGIF moment, it's more like an OMG moment. You said "yes" over a year ago and that's an easy thing to do when that's a long time off. Now it is here, and it is a packed day - BOM, Annual Meeting, formal banquet tonight and you are escorting in the Regent of the DAR. Tomorrow will be another packed day, and at lunch I will be sworn in as President of the SAR. I am still, after a year as President, wondering how that happened. I have this theory. All the phone lines in Georgia suddenly quit working except mine. After I was nominated, I said one day "After I become President". Lots of members told me you may not be elected, someone may decide to run against you. So much to my surprise, on Friday I was elected.

Reality did not hit home until Monday morning when my email box filled up and my phone began to ring. The Hornets Nest and Kettle Creek were only 4 days away. I began to call the key players, Bill Dobbs who handled getting things together for Kettle Creek. He agreed for one more year, if I promised to find him a replacement, which I did. I was grateful to Ed Rigel, Jr., who sent me the script for the program, and was wreath master, Bill Tankersley, who was in charge of the Hornets Nest program and barbecue, and Scott Collins and the Color Guard. Each one had already been working on their area. All went off without a hitch. In the SAR you are surrounded with a band of brothers always there to give you support. Once you survive those 4 days and get through your responsibilities at those events without making a fool out of yourself, the rest of the year is a breeze. All this reminded me of going into the ministry. I have been in church all my life, and I knew how the service was supposed to go. Same with the SAR, I have been a member for over 14 years and attended meetings and knew how they are supposed to be conducted. Not so much the first time you step into the pulpit or behind the podium at the BOM; for a moment you forget everything you thought you knew. Thank goodness for a script.

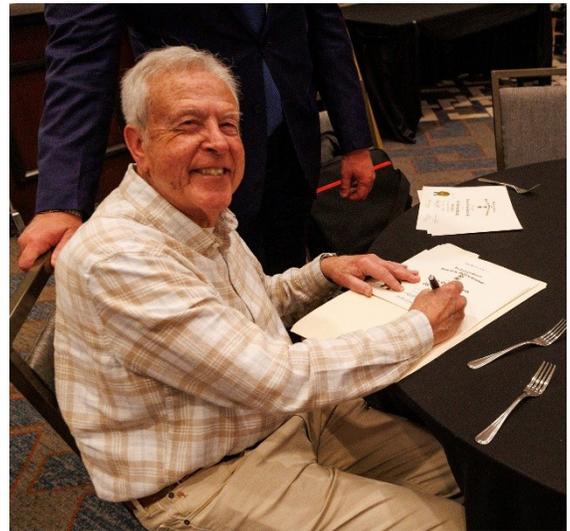
Now the fun begins. You have the privilege of visiting many of the chapters around Georgia and installing officers. Actually this begins in January while you are Sr. Vice President. I traveled to South Georgia three weeks in a row and had a wonderful, gracious host, Dess Smith, and installed the officers in three South Georgia Chapters. You get to travel to places I did not know existed like Midway, Demorest, and Sparta. Thanks to the hard work of John and Billie Trussell, I got to follow LaFayette through a lot Georgia, bringing greetings and enjoying the pageantry and history. I had the opportunity to attend several Liberty Tree dedications, 250 Marker dedications and many Grave Markings in my uniform presenting colors and a wreath.

July was a busy month, rode on a float in the Dunwoody July 4th Parade, presented colors at a church in Gainesville, and other 4th of July celebrations, all in uniform. Congress was a wonderful experience at the Mohegan Sun Resort on the reservation in Uncasville, Connecticut. Thanks to help from a generous and loyal friend, Bill Dobbs I was able to make the trip. Carrying the Georgia flag in the presentation of Colors at Congress for the banquet was a heart warming experience. It was an honor to meet several of the Mohegan's whose ancestors fought with us during the Revolution. Looking back over this past year, all I can add is it was GREAT, a once in a lifetime experience.

The Year That Was has ended, but the memories live on. Thank you all my brothers in the SAR for putting your trust in me to lead the Georgia Society this past year. I will always be eternally grateful for this opportunity.

Most Sincerely,

William Floyd
Past President, Georgia Society



President's Inaugural Address

From the bottom of my heart, let me say "Thank You" all for the confidence and trust you have placed in me to serve alongside you as your Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution President this year. It is truly an honor to have been asked to serve in this capacity. I have had the privilege and pleasure of serving with so many of you since becoming a member in 2013.

I would like to thank our immediate past president Bill Floyd for his mentorship and friendship the last several years. Bill did an outstanding job leading us in 2025. Bill, I hope we will continue to have our periodic phone calls and catch up with each other. Thank you, for your service to our great society !

There is NO ONE that I would rather have install me other than Secretary General Allen Greenly. Allen and I have worked alongside each other for many years since he was our Society President in 2016. He asked me to be head of day captains and bus captains for the 132nd Congress in Savannah (2022.) Many of you sitting in this room today volunteered in various capacities. This took tremendous hard work on everyone's part. Because of that, we had a very successful and well-attended Congress. Remember Savannah ! By the way, Allen, did I ever tell you about the compatriot who said he couldn't be a bus captain because he had never driven a bus and didn't have a commercial driver's license ? Once I explained that a bus driver and bus captain aren't the same thing, he was relieved and agreed to serve. Besides, even if he did have a CDL, I doubt he could have gotten a tour bus through Savannah's Historic District. Even the professional drivers we hired struggled with it. Oh well, you know James Oglethorpe didn't design those squares with tour buses in mind back in 1733, right ?

I am so excited to have Compatriot Dan McMichael serving as our Senior Vice President. For years, Dan and I have held down opposite sides of the state – Dan in the west and me in the east. Dan brings so much talent and leadership to our society. He is a valued friend and compatriot. And for those who may not know it, Dan does great impressions of Generals Nathanael Greene and George Washington, as well as one of Washington's land surveyors and cartographers. I look forward to seeing him do that again soon.

I would like to reflect on how I got to this point in the SAR. Growing up, all four grandparents and both parents talked to us about our family history and genealogy. We visited cemeteries where ancestors were buried. In particular, my father and his father did a tremendous amount of research. One result of that was documenting the service of my 4th great grandfather, Captain John Tankersley of the Spotsylvania County Virginia Militia during the Revolutionary War. In 2013 when our father's health began failing rapidly, I wanted to do something to honor all of the genealogy work he had done. The National Society SAR genealogist general and staff allowed our applications to be expedited due to our father's health condition. Because of that action, he was able to enjoy his membership from March until August of 2013. To get to see him enjoy it during his final months was a feeling I will never forget. My father had a great sense of humor. When discussing genealogy, he would laugh and say that although we have a few cousin marriages in our extended family tree, things got better in that regard when Interstate 20 was constructed through Columbia County. He knew all of the words to the song "I'm my own Grandpa."

I must recognize that I am not the first state level president of a volunteer organization in my family. Our dear maternal grandmother served as the State President of the Alabama Extension Homemakers Clubs in 1982. Her spirit of patriotism, volunteerism, and hard work lives on through her descendants. I remain convinced that her fried chicken and biscuits could have brought peace to the Middle East.

Speaking of patriotism and service to country, I am a proud grandson of two World War II veterans. One was a Georgia native and a Finance Officer in the Army Reserves beginning in 1933. During the war, he was assigned to the 8th Army Air Corps, known as the Mighty Eighth. Our other grandfather was draftee in his early 20's from rural Alabama with a baby on the way, our mother. He served with the 7th infantry division during the Battle of Okinawa and received a purple heart for his leg wound from a Japanese Sniper's shot. I am proud that both grandfathers are memorial members of the SAR and are listed on the Combined Veterans Corps Roster. One of the first things we should do when a veteran joins SAR is to apply for his Certificate of Patriotism through the NSSAR Veterans Recognition Committee. The certificates are funded through the George Washington Endowment Fund and are a great way to express our appreciation for his service.

I once had a college professor who said, "Although life is serious, and we do serious work, we should do it with a lightness of heart and enjoy the experiences." In that spirit, I'd like for us to enjoy your SAR membership, our friendships, our comradery, and to have some plain ole fun.

What was it that first drew you to SAR ? For me, I already mentioned it was genealogy. Perhaps YOU were drawn to SAR by the color guard, traveling trunk education outreach programs, service to veterans, Eagle Scouts, recognizing our heroes in the public service areas. Perhaps you have one or more DAR members in your family who encouraged you to join. Perhaps it was a combination or ALL of these things. Whatever it was, I hope you will pause and think about these things periodically. They will help rekindle the fire if it goes out, and yes, sometimes we do get tired.



This is a historic year in our nation, as we will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4th. There will be many opportunities for us to interact with the public and share the mission and goals of our noble organization, the Sons of the American Revolution. From patriot grave markings, to commemorations, monuments, plaques, liberty trees, color guard events such as the Atlanta Braves game, let us go out and share our message with the public, and hopefully recruit some new members. The new SMART report is a great place to start planning activities for the year. It provides an excellent roadmap for accomplishing the SAR mission and goals, and provides a way to document activities so that you can reflect and see areas for improvement.

In closing, again THANK YOU for allowing me to serve as your society president this year. I look forward to seeing you somewhere out on the SAR trail this year. Don't hesitate to call on me if I can be of service to you or your chapter.

Just one last thing – never forget our children are our future. Would Georgia Society Children of the American Revolution President Noah Tindall please come forward now to give us three proper rounds of “Hip-Hip-Huzzah ?” Thank you, Noah !

William Tankersley
President, Georgia Society

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 Friday Afternoon

 SMART Class

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The new SMART reporting form eliminates several reports by combining them into one. This should be easier and more accurate.

South Atlantic District Meeting





Past Presidents

Each year the Past Presidents of the Georgia Society gather for a photo. At right is the 2026 photo. Each year some are present at the event but engaged elsewhere, and are missing from the photo. A few are perhaps absent from the event as well. This is the largest group gathered together in a while.

Seated left to right: Wayne Brown, PG Larry Guzy, Allen Greenly, William Floyd, PG Michael Tomme, Ed Rigel, Sr.

Standing left to right: Scott Collins, Roger Coursey, David Jessel, Bill Dobbs, and Ed Rigel Jr.



Friday Night Reception











Member Awards Banquet





Invocation and Introduction of Honored Members & Guest

President-Elect William Tankersley & Amy Pittman Lawson, First Vice Regent, (Georgia State Society, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution).



Treasurer General T. Brooks Lyles & Diane Ungvarsky



Secretary General William Allen Greenly





Vice President General South Atlantic District Earl F. Mathews, Jr. & Joni Laramore



PG J. Michael Tomme & Cilla Tomme



PG Larry T. Guzy & Karin Guzy



PG C. Bruce Pickette & Rita Pickette



Georgia Society President William Floyd
& Carey Floyd





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NOTE: Many recipients of our annual awards are not present at this banquet. A member of their Chapter or Society will often stand to receive the award for them. So as to avoid mislabeling someone, The recipient pictured (or not) may be a stunt double (or not). The honor still belongs to the actual recipient, regardless of their location at the time of the award.

DAR Hannah White Arnett Silver Medal of Distinction

President William Floyd

Special Gift Recognition

Secretary General Allen Greenly

Martha Washington Medal

Amy Lawson, First Vice Regent
GA State Society, NSDAR

Carey Floyd, First Lady Georgia
SAR



Daughters of Liberty

Billie Leverett Trussell

Ladies' Medal of Appreciation

SAR Medal of Appreciation OLC Ladies
Auxiliary, President Lynn Jacques

SAR Medal of Appreciation OLC Ladies
Auxiliary 1st Vice President Debbie Bush

SAR Medal of Appreciation OLC Ladies
Auxiliary, 2nd Vice President Brandy Rigel

SAR Medal of Appreciation OLC Ladies Auxiliary, Secretary Janet
Edelen

SAR Medal of Appreciation OLC Ladies Auxiliary, Treasurer Mary
Turner

SAR Medal of Appreciation OLC Ladies Auxiliary, Chaplain
Maryland McCarty

SAR Medal of Appreciation OLC Ladies Auxiliary, Parliamentarian
Leslie Watkins





Caleb Gibbs Color Guard Commander's Medal

- William H. Palmer
- Edward P. Rigel, Sr.
- Kenneth Scott Collins
- Paul Prescott

South Atlantic District Silver Henry Knox Achievement Medal

In recognition of Outstanding Personal Contribution in support of the activities of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Elizbeth J. Collins



Georgia Honor Guard – 100 or more events

- Raymond Francis Kyle, Sr – 119 events
- Stephen P. Weaver – 110 events
- Gordon Lee Woodard – 101 events



Georgia Senior Honor Guard – 200 or more events

Ralph Galpin – 227 events



Bronze Color Guard Medal – 3 years of service and 300 points needed

- Craig Benton
- Thomas Leo Jacques
- Raymond Francis Kyle, Sr
- Gordon Lee Woodard



Silver Color Guard Medal – 3 years of service and Bronze plus 200 points at District or National events

- Craig Benton
- Thomas Leo
- Raymond Francis Kyle, Sr
- Gordon Lee Woodard

Von Steuben Color Guard Medal – 5 years of service and 500 points needed at District or National events

- Kenneth Scott Collins – 4,200 points

Color Guard Camp Follower Award

The Camp Follower's pin and certificate is presented to wives whose husband has been active in the color guard for at least 36 months, and his wife has attended at least ten (10) national and state events.

Each Camp Follower receives an SAR Outstanding Citizenship Pin and Camp Follower Certificate.

- Barbara Weaver
- Lynn Baxter Jacques
- Terry Heath Hughes
- Beth Ann Hustis
- Debbie Kyle
- Janet Edelen
- Elizabeth J. Collins





Molly Pitcher Medal

The Molly Pitcher medal may be awarded to women who have supported the SAR Color Guard at the State, District and National Levels. Before a woman may be awarded the Molly Pitcher Medal, her husband or other male companion must have been awarded the SAR Silver Color Guard Medal. The medal is by the National Color Guard Commander

Lynn Baxter Jacques

Rookie of the Year - honors may be given to a new member of the Color Guard who in their first to third year participated in a significant number of events or who otherwise distinguished himself.

John C Mays, III



Commander's Award – Selected at the discretion of the Color Guard Commander for the Color Guardsman demonstrating the best of the color guard ideals. This is equivalent to the Color Guardsman of the Year that is awarded by some other states. The recipient receives a certificate and a black cockade feather.

Thomas Leo Jacques

Public Service & Heroism Medals

Fire Safety Medal

Stephen P. Weaver

Silver Good Citizenship Medal

Stephen L. Cockerham

Emil Decker



State Meritorious Service Medal

Gary J. Hoyt

Donald Henry McCarty, Jr.

Robert W. Moore



PG Robert B. Vance, Sr. Membership Plaque

Captain Roger Coursey of the Edward Telfair Chapter
18 New Members during 2025



Patriot Grave Marking Medal

Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC 1
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC 12, OLC 13, OLC 14, Silver OLC
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal Silver OLC + Bronze
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal Silver OLC + Bronze OLC
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 Patriot Grave Marking Medal
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #2
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #1
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #2
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OL #3 + OLC #4C
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #1
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #2 + OLC #3
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #1
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #7
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal + OLC #1
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #2
 Patriot Grave Marking Medal OLC #1
 Compatriot Grave Marking Medal

Craig Benton
 Michael Francis Blair
 Kenneth Scott Collins
 Emil Decker
 William N. Floyd, Jr.
 Ralph C. Galpin
 Ralph C. Galpin
 Thomas Harnden
 Gary J. Hoyt
 Sidney C. Hughes
 Joel C. Hustis
 Raymond Francis Kyle, Sr.
 Preston Lewis
 John "Jack" Martin, Jr.
 John Emit Mays III
 Donald Henry McCarty, Jr.
 Alton Oneal McCloud
 Joseph Dan McMichael
 Edward P. Rigel, Jr.
 Ronald David Sikes, Jr.
 Gregory Eugene Smith.
 William Joseph Tankersley
 Don Ray Thomas, Sr.
 Bryon Cheney Tindall
 Stephen Paul Weaver
 Gordon Lee Woodard
 Ralph C. Galpin



Lafayette Volunteer Service Medal

Roger Coursey
 Cole Hale
 Richard Herron
 Michael Waugh





Service to Veterans Medal

Service to Veterans Medal + OLC 2	Earl Cagle, Sr.
Service to Veterans Medal -- OCL # 19	Kenneth Scott Collins
Service to Veterans Medal -- Silver OLC	Gary J. Hoyt
Service to Veterans Medal -- Medal	Raymond Francis Kyle, Sr.
Service to Veterans Medal -- Medal + OLC1	George Grant Tribble

Silver Roger Sherman Medal

Harold D. Ford
 Edward P. Hendricks, Jr.
 Donald Henry McCarty, Jr.
 Sanders Mercer
 J. Christopher Thompson

OLC	Steve Burke
OLC	Emil Decker
OLC	Shep Hammack
OLC	Steven Hinson
OLC	Gary J. Hoyt
OLC	Paul Lester
OLC	Dan McMichael
OLC	Gary Page
OLC	Dess Smith
OLC	Sidney Turner



State Distinguished Service Medal

Edward P. Rigel, Jr.

Henry Knox Medal

Silver Henry Knox Medal
Silver Henry Knox Medal

Ron Redner
John Trussell

Patriot Medal



Our first recipient has been an active member of his chapter and the state society. William (Bill) Newton Floyd, Jr has been a member of the Sons of the American Revolution since November 1, 2013, when joining the Piedmont Chapter where he served as Chaplain for two years. He assisted with the organization and is a founding member of the Mount Vernon Chapter. There he has served as the Secretary, Vice President, and President. Currently he is serving as the Treasurer of the Mount Vernon Chapter.

Bill has also served the Georgia Society as the State Chaplain for 2 years, the State Recording Secretary for 1 year, the State Senior Vice President and is now serving as the Georgia Society State President. He has also been a member of the Georgia Society Color Guard for 10 years.

Bill has also served on the Veterans Committee for the Piedmont and Mount Vernon Chapters, and the America 250 Committee for the Mount Vernon Chapter. While serving as the Georgia Society Senior Vice President, he assisted with the re-organization and revitalization of the Valdosta (now Thigpen Trail) Chapter, and held quarterly meetings with the Georgia Society Regional Vice Presidents.

Additionally, Bill has done over 50 presentations to 5th grade classes, teaching what life was like during the Revolutionary War times. He also serves as Chaplain of the First Families of Georgia. Bill has been very active in his local community, being involved in coaching youth sports, a Rotarian, Chamber of Commerce member, member of the Kennesaw Business Association, and the PTA and Citizens Advisory Council for East Side Elementary School.

Bill also served as the Senior Pastor for the Shiloh United Methodist Church for 18 years. Before that he was very active with the church youth programs. Congratulations to you, Compatriot Bill Floyd.



Our next recipient has been an active member of his chapter and the state society. Richard Lee Herron has been a member of the Sons of the American Revolution since November 19, 2021, joining the Brier Creek Chapter, where he has served as chapter Webmaster, Genealogist, Registrar, Vice President and currently is serving as the Chapter President. He is also a dual member of the Wiregrass Chapter. He serves as Chairman of the Education Outreach Committee for the Brier Creek Chapter, as has presented over 15 Traveling Trunk presentations. He has also assisted in the organization of the new chapter in Dublin.

Richard currently is serving the Georgia Society as a Member at Large of the Board of Managers. He is a member of the Georgia Society Color Guard, the Brier Creek Artillery and also a member of the "Skunk Brigade".

Richard is a member of the Board of Directors for the Brier Creek Revolutionary War Battlefield Association. He serves as their webmaster for their FACEBOOK and website. He serves as the organizer and salesman for the Brier Creek Revolutionary War Association's Challenge Coin, Brier Creek T-shirt and Brier Creek caps.

Richard also organized, pursued and accomplished getting the State of Georgia a new License Plate for 2026 to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War. He is also very active in the Sons of the Confederate Veterans, member of the Society of the War of 1812, and the Society of the Sons and Daughters of Pilgrims. Congratulations to you, Compatriot Richard Herron.



Our next recipient also has been a very active member in his chapter and at the state level. Donald Henry McCarty, Jr has been a member of the Sons of the American Revolution since April 5, 2019, joining the Button Gwinnett Chapter. He has been the Chapter President and is currently the Chapter Treasurer. He has served on numerous chapter committees to include: Graves, Publicity, Audit, Nomination, Americanism and Veterans.

Don served on the War Patriot and Compatriot Grave Committee before becoming the Chairman in 2023. As chairman he has vetted 72 gravesites. The total number of Patriot Graves marked and planned through 2025 has been 54. He is a member of the Georgia Society Color Guard.

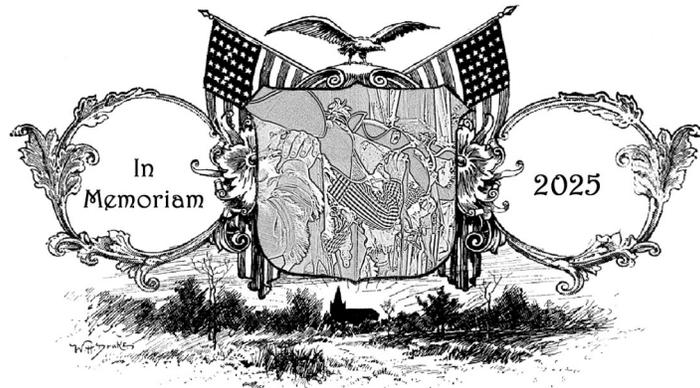
Don worked for the Georgia Department of National Resources in the Environmental Protection Division where he managed a number of important programs. After he retired from there, he became a Certified Financial Planner, and is currently the owner of Financial Decision Partners, a financial planning and investment advisory firm. Don is also very active in the Lawrenceville United Methodist Church.

Don is also a member of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of Georgia, The Society of the War of 182, and the Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims. Congratulations to you, Compatriot Donald McCarty.



Memorial Service

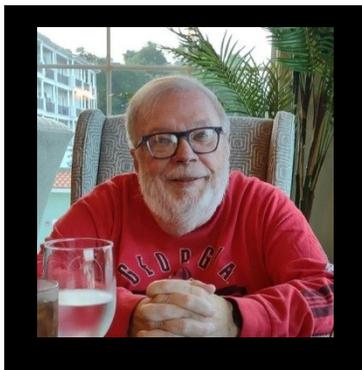
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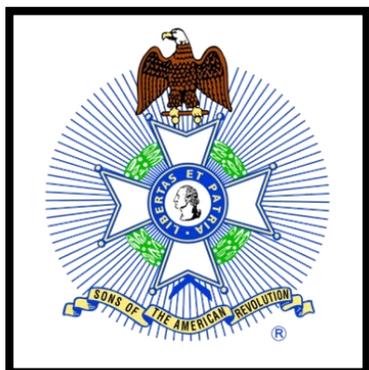




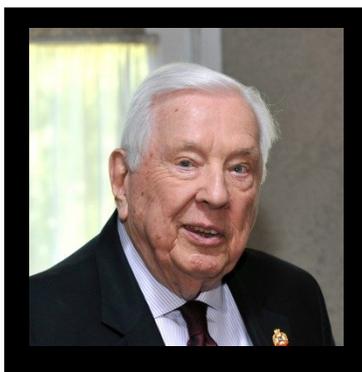
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Samuel Elbert
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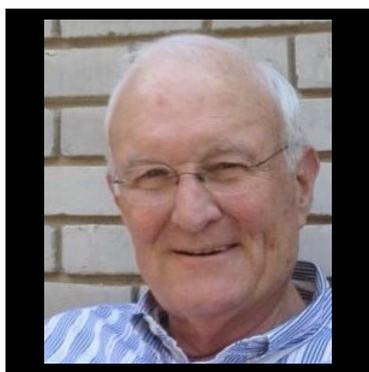
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Edward Telfair
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William S. Harnden
Capt. John Collins
26 Jan 2025

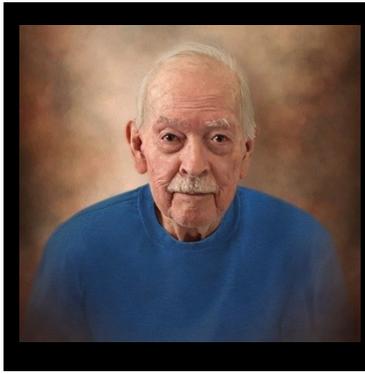


Albert Henley Sturgess Jr.
Atlanta
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Roscoe McMillan
Lyman Hall
1 Feb 2025





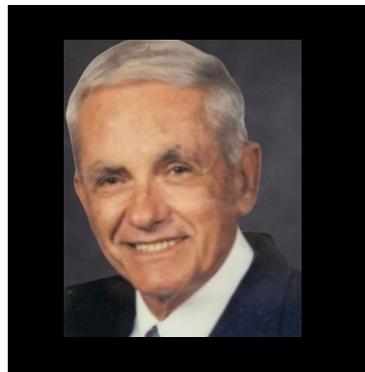
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Little River
05 Feb 2025



Elwood Spruance Vinyard
Edward Telfair
14 Feb 2025



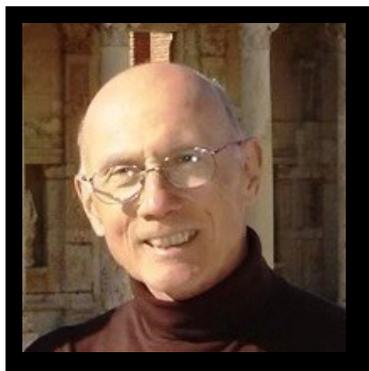
Russell Frederick Redding
Mount Vernon
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Larry Norman Richardson
Samuel Elbert
09 Mar 2025



Buren Onley Mock, Sr.
Joel Early
11 Mar 2025



Richard Frederick Andrews

Coweta Falls

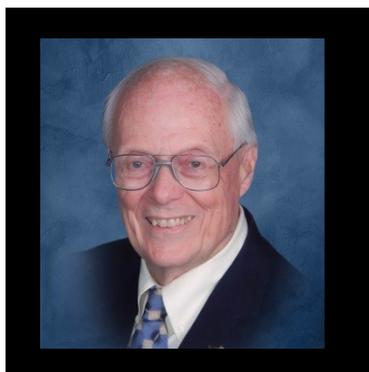
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Joel Andrew Stair

John Milledge

28 Apr 2025



Ben Lane Moon

Casimir Pulaski

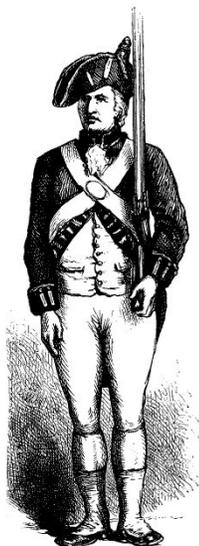
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Daniel Edward Hanlon, III

Edward Telfair

08 May 2025



Paul Austin Whitlock, Jr.

Mill Creek

17 May 2025



William Howard Colbert USA (Ret)

Little River

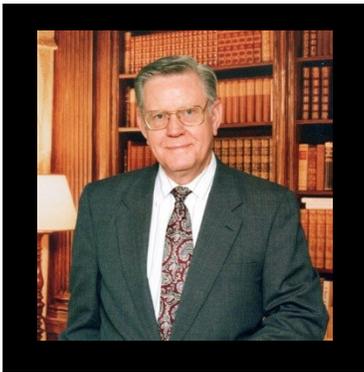
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Avery Kennedy Haskell

Coweta Falls

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Robert Allen Wharton, Sr

Atlanta

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Preston Young

Casimir Pulaski

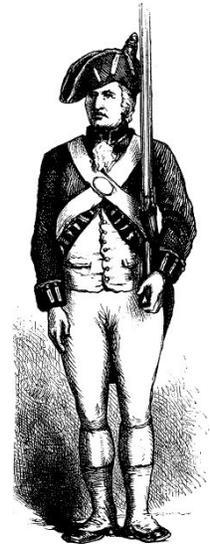
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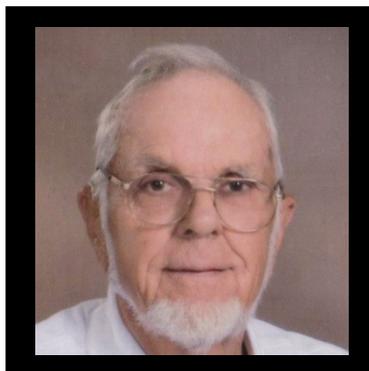


Jett Van Warren Smith

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Coweta Falls
2 Jul 2025



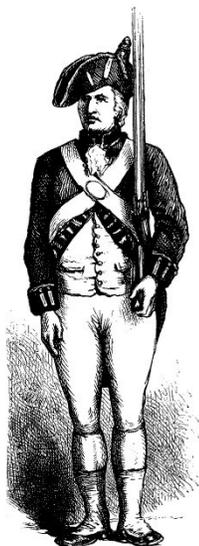
Robert Forrester Waterman, Jr.
Edward Telfair
14 Jul 2025



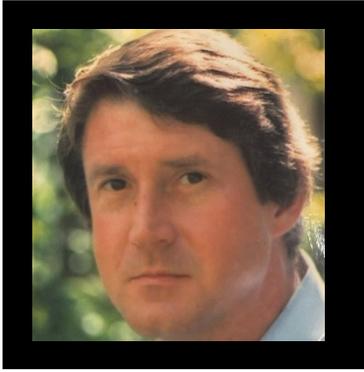
Robert Hunter Parrish
Thigpen Trail
19 Jul 2025



Willie Alford Coleman
Edward Telfair
21 Jul 2025



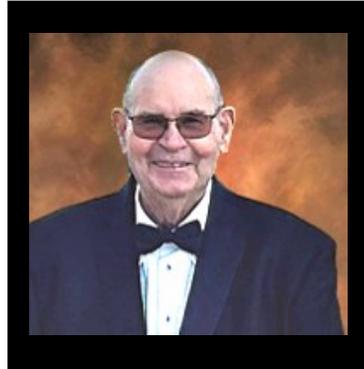
Marcus Floyd Price
Wiregrass
24 Jul 2025



Charles Anton Moran, Jr.

Atlanta

27 Jul 2025



Terry Marvin Johnson

Little River

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Leland Smith Hulsey Jr.

Capt. John Collins

08 Aug 2025



Edward Wayne Reid

Blue Ridge Mountains

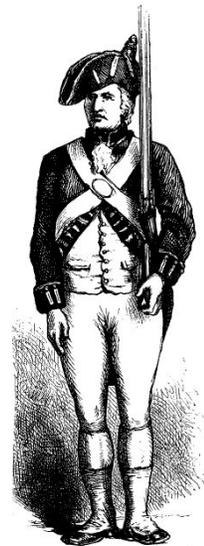
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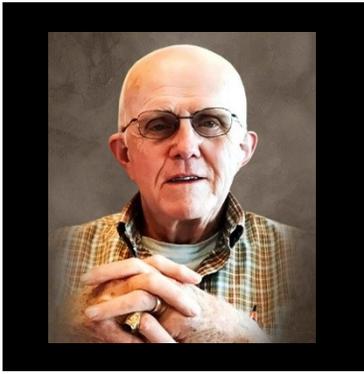


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Gen Nathanael Greene

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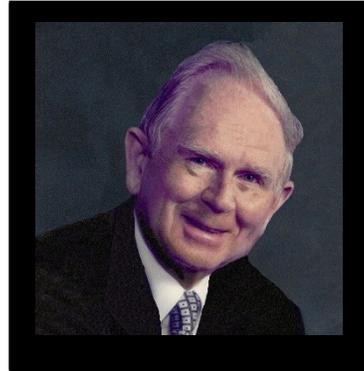




William Alfred Teasley

Capt. John Collins

20 Sept 2025



Fred Wood Snell, Jr.

Gen. Nathanael Greene

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Darrell James Schumann

Lyman Hall

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Winston Richmond Harriss, Jr.

Little River

13 Oct 2025



Mark Harold Smith

Button Gwinnett

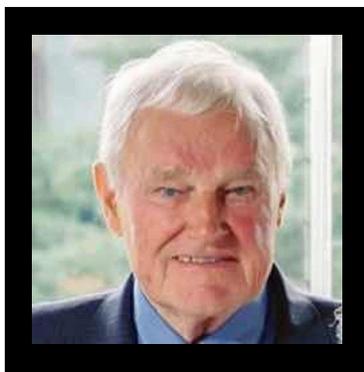
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William Hamilton Bennett
Altamaha
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Paul Eugene Bryant, Jr.
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Edward Telfair
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Frederic Miller Reese, Jr.
Piedmont
19 Nov 2025



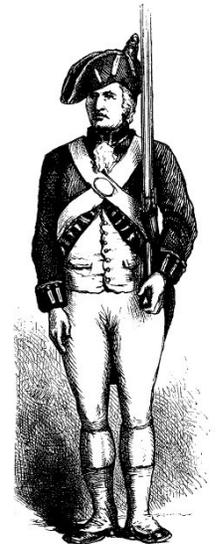
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Edward Telfair
20 Nov 2025



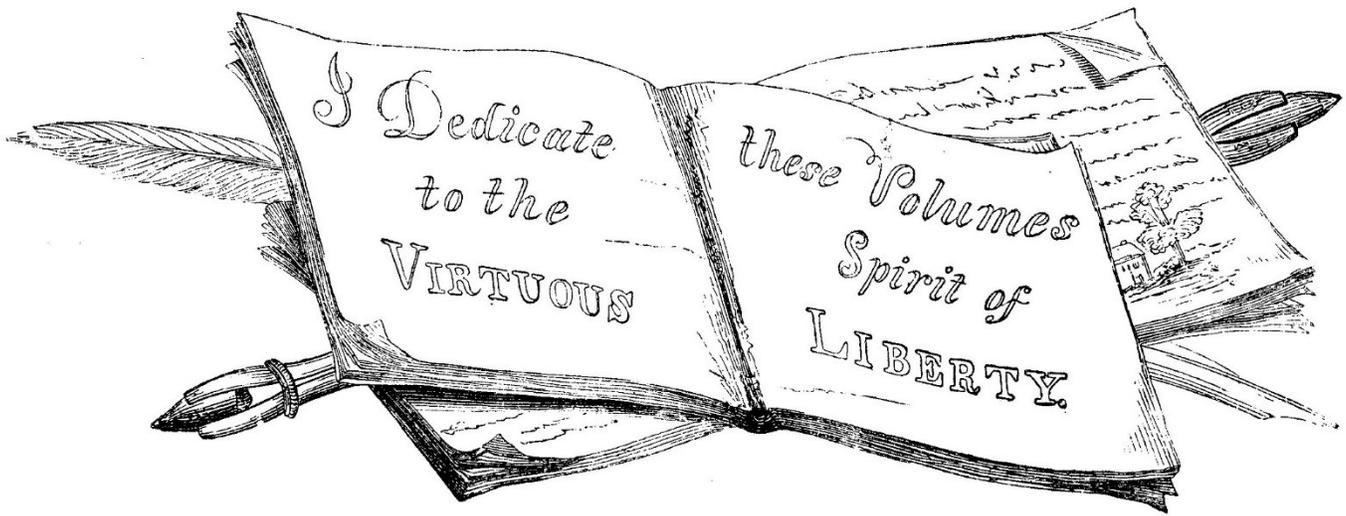
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Wiregrass
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Walter Lamar Coursey
Edward Telfair
19 Dec 2025



Laten Mingledorff Davis
Edward Telfair
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Annual Meeting



Ladies Auxiliary



Chapter & Youth Awards Banquet







C.A.R. Silver Medal of Appreciation

Noah Tindall, State C.A.R. President
Randall Tindall, Senior State President

Eagle Scout Award

Trophy & \$550 Check
Noah Boynton,
Sponsored by the Robert Forsyth Chapter

2nd Place: Certificate & \$400 Check

Abigail Amos,
Sponsored by the Capt. John Collins Chapter



JROTC Award

ROTC Medal & \$550 Check
Cadet/2nd Lt Levi Van't Land,
Sponsored by the Marshes of Glynn Chapter



Knights Essay

Winner: Certificate, Medal, & \$550
Lauren Miller,
Sponsored by the William Few Chapter

Runner-up: Certificate & \$400
Sanjana Diddige,
Sponsored by the Robert Forsyth Chapter



Americanism Committee Awards

Americanism Chapters of Excellence (5,000 points +)
Piedmont Chapter (20,775 points)

President General Chapter of Excellence (4,000 points +)
Button Gwinnett (9,390 points)



State Americanism Chapters of Excellence

- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter
- Brier Creek Chapter
- Button Gwinnett Chapter
- Coweta Falls Chapter
- Little River Chapter
- Marquis de Lafayette Chapter
- Ocmulgee Chapter
- Piedmont
- Wiregrass Chapter





State Americanism Chapters of Distinction

- Button Gwinnett Chapter
- Coweta Falls Chapter
- Ocmulgee Chapter
- Piedmont Chapter
- Washington-Wilkes Chapter
- William Few Chapter
- Wiregrass Chapter



State President General Chapter of Excellence (4,000 points +)

- Edward Telfair Chapter
- Button Gwinnett Chapter

State President General Chapter of Distinction

- Athens Chapter
- Brier Creek Chapter
- Button Gwinnett Chapter
- Edward telfair Chapter
- Four Rivers Patriots Chapter
- Little River Chapter
- Ocmulgee Chapter
- Robert Forsyth Chapter
- Washington-Wilkes Chapter
- William Few Chapter
- Lyman Hall Chapter



Education Committee Awards

Education Outreach Streamer (1,000 or more students, teachers and/or citizens)

Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter
Brier Creek Chapter
Little River Chapter
Wiregrass Chapter

Best Chapter Education Outreach Award

Brier Creek Chapter

John Dooly Education Outreach Award

Carter Wood of the Lyman Hall Chapter



Youth Education Medal

Paul Blankenbecker of the Coweta Falls Chapter - Medal

Wayne Cartledge of the Coweta Falls Chapter - Medal

Danny Ginter of the Coweta Falls Chapter - Bronze OLC #2





Flag Certificate Award

Captain John Collins Chapter and Fall Line Chapter each presented 24 Flag Certificates.

Distinguished Chapter Award

- Athens Chapter
- Atlanta Chapter
- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter
- Brier Creek Chapter
- Button Gwinnett Chapter
- Captain John Collins Chapter
- Casimir Pulaski Chapter
- Edward Telfair Chapter
- Coweta Falls Chapter
- Four Rivers Patriots Chapter
- Little River Chapter
- Marshes of Glynn Chapter
- Mill Creek Chapter
- Mount Vernon Chapter
- Oakfuskee Trail Chapter
- Ocmulgee Chapter
- Piedmont Chapter
- Robert Forsyth Chapter
- William Few Chapter
- Wiregrass Chapter



Georgia SAR S.A.R./C.A.R. Awards

C.A.R. Distinguished Liaison Award for 2025

Button Gwinnett Chapter (RED Streamer)

C.A.R. Liaison Chapters for 2025 will receive a BLUE Streamer.

Coweta Falls Chapter
Mount Vernon Chapter
Robert Forsyth Chapter



Membership Retention Awards Chapters achieving 90% or more renewals are:

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| Altamaha Chapter | Brier Creek Chapter | Button Gwinnett Chapter | Casimir Pulaski Chapter | Cherokee Chapter |
| Coweta Falls Chapter | Edward Telfair Chapter | Fall Line Chapter | Four Rivers Patriots Chapter | |
| George Walton Chapter | Joel Early Chapter | John Milledge | Little Rive Chapter | |
| Marquis de Lafayette Chapter | | Mill Creek Chapter | Mount Vernon Chapter | |
| General Nathanael Greene Chapter | | Oakfuskee Trail Chapter | Ocmulgee Chapter | Patrick Carr Rangers Chapter |
| Piedmont Chapter | Rome Chapter | Samuel Elbert Chapter | Washington-Wilkes Chapter | |
| William Few Chapter | Wiregrass Chapter | | | |



Revolutionary War Patriot Graves Committee Awards

- Athens Chapter – 1 Gold Star for 5 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Atlanta Chapter – 1 Gold Star for 5 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter – 2 Gold Star for 10 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Brier Creek Chapter – 3 White Stars for 3 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Button Gwinnett Chapter – 3 Gold Stars + 3 White Stars for 18 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Captain John Collins Chapter – 1 Gold Star for 5 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Col. William Few Chapter – 1 White Star for 1 Rev. War Patriot Grave Marked
- Coweta Falls Chapter – 1 White Stars for 1 Rev. War Patriot Grave Marked
- Joseph Habersham Chapter – 1 Gold Star for 5 Patriot Graves Marked
- Little River Chapter – 1 Gold Star for 5 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Lyman Hall Chapter – 1 Gold Star for 5 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Marshes of Glynn Chapter – 1 Gold Star for 5 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Piedmont Chapter – 2 Gold Stars for 10 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Robert Forsyth Chapter – 2 Gold Stars + 1 White Stars for 11 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Samuel Elbert Chapter – 4 White Stars for 4 Rev. War Patriot Graves Marked
- Washington-Wilkes Chapter – 1 White Star for 1 Rev. War Patriot Grave Marked
- Wiregrass Chapter - 1 Gold Star + 3 White Stars for 8 Rev War Patriot Graves Marked



Public Service & Heroism Streamers

- Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter - Silver Streamer (Chapter of Distinction)
- Little River Chapter - Gold Streamer - (Chapter of Excellence)



James R. Westlake Communications Award

Best Chapter Website Streamer - Captain John Collins
Chapter (JohnCollinsSAR.org)

Best Chapter Newsletter Streamer - Captain John Collins
Chapter (The Collins Dispatch)

Veterans Committee Streamers

Chapter with 1-24 Members: Mill Creeks Chapter
Chapter with 25-49 Members: Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter
Chapter with 50-99 Members: Athens Chapter
Chapter with 100+ Members: Atlanta Chapter



Installation & Closing





