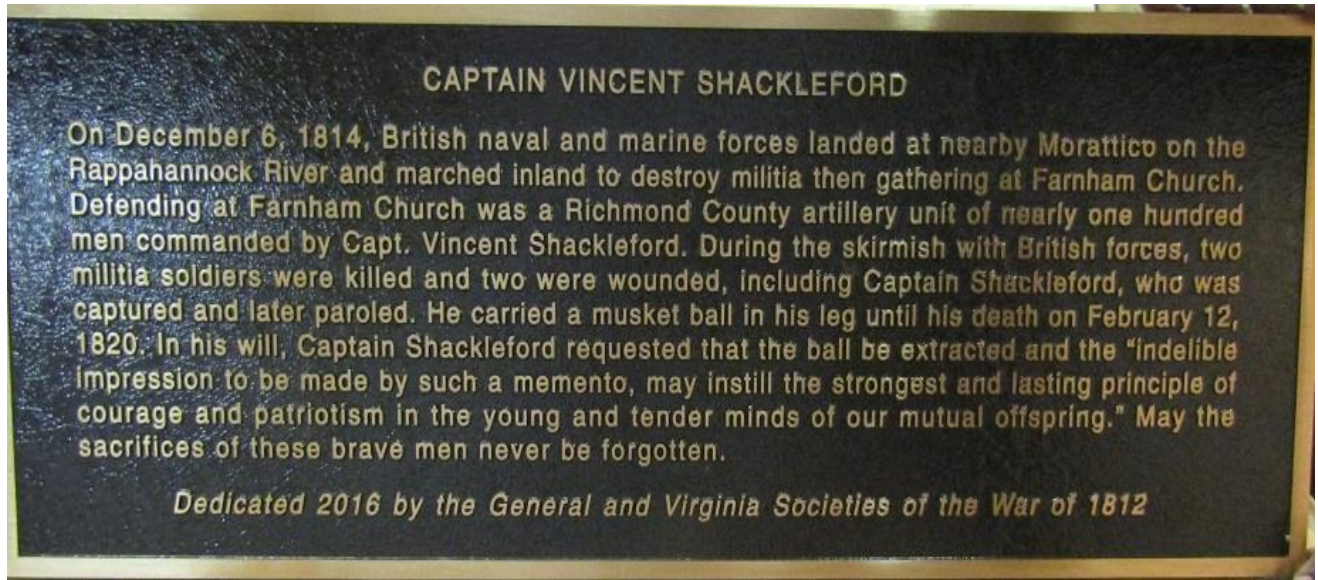


Society Plans Plaque Unveiling Ceremony December 11 2016

A plaque unveiling ceremony honoring Captain Vincent Shackleford at the North Farnham Episcopal Church in Richmond County, Virginia is scheduled for December 11, 2016 at 10:30 am.

As the plaque to be unveiled below details, this was the last land battle of the War of 1812 in Virginia and it took place in the vicinity of this church on December 6, 1814 between British forces and the Richmond County Militia.



Please note that the General Society War of 1812 and the Society of the War of 1812 in the Commonwealth of Virginia shared the cost of procuring this plaque. The public is invited to attend the ceremony and societies and other organizations are invited to present wreaths. Following the ceremony the Farnham Episcopal Church clergy have invited attendees to attend a gathering at their Fellowship Hall.

Societies should contact organizers Charles Belfield, e-mail belmo54@gmail.com , or Mike Lyman, email melyman@va.metrocast.net if they wish to be shown on the program as giving greetings and/or presenting wreaths. The address of the church is: 231 N Farnham Church Rd, Farnham, VA 22460. It is on route 692 just off route U.S. 3 that goes from Fredericksburg south to Kilmarnock. See the maps below.

Below is from the website
genealogytrails.com/vir/Richmond/churches_northfarnhamparish.html



North Farnham Parish was formed in 1683 when Farnham Parish was divided into North and South Farnham. The division of Farnham Parish occurred nine years before Rappahannock County was divided into Richmond and Essex Counties.

This Episcopal church was erected in 1737. The interior of the church fell into ruins during a long period following the American Revolution. In 1814, the raiders from Admiral Cockburn's British fleet and the Virginia militia fought a skirmish here. Bullet holes are still visible in the walls.

Between 1863 and 1865, the church was used as a stable by Union soldiers during the Civil War.

After many years without a rector, Reverend George W. Nelson became rector of the church in 1834. Six years later, in 1840, he passed away.

After a fire in 1887, only the walls of the church were left standing. It wasn't until 1921 that the restoration of the church was completed. The Right Reverend F. D. Goodwin was elected bishop of Virginia while he was serving as the rector of Cople, Lunenburg, and North Farnham Parishes.

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