


Society Members Participate in James Monroe Birthday Ceremony April 21 2018

Several members participated, including Peter Broadbent who was assistant Master of Ceremony (photo of him is attached at podium. Behind him in this photo is our VA society flag that was carried by Hugh Markham, and our Society's large Star Spangled Banner Flag that was carried and displayed as well as shown in this photo). President Poland is on the program and presented greetings and presented the society wreath. Charles Belfield set up the color guard and participated in it and reported to the attendees on the status of the building of Monroe's birth place house of which he is in charge of building. It is behind the museum building in the photo. After the ceremony Belfield entertained attendees inside the partially completed house and explained the construction progress. Also attending was Mike Lyman who participated in the color guard, and Paul Walden, Jim Thacker, Mike Weyler and perhaps others

The program and photos follow:

**The James Monroe
Memorial Foundation
presents the**



**260th Birthday Celebration
Ceremony
for
Fifth President
James Monroe**

**James Monroe
Birthplace and Park
Westmoreland Co., VA
April 21, 2018
10:30 a.m.**

Call to Order.....G. William Thomas, Jr., President,
James Monroe Memorial Foundation

Invocation.....Shelby L. Chandler, II

Presentation of Colors..... James Monroe Chapter SAR color guard

Pledge of Allegiance and Toast to the Flag....Shelby L. Chandler, II
Past Commander WCC Heroes of '76 National Sojourners

Welcome.....Hon. Woody Hynson, Westmoreland County
Board of Supervisors

GreetingsCongressman Rob Wittman
Patrick M. Kelly, President
Virginia Society, SAR

Declaration from Governor Northam.....Peter E. Broadbent, Jr.

Special Presentation by Richmond SAR Chapter...Dennis Peterson,
President

Recognition of Docents.....Bucky Doerr

Remarks about Monroe.....Sara Bon-Harper, Executive Director,
James Monroe's Highland

Laying of Wreaths and remarks.....List Follows

Benediction.....W. Gregory Burkett, Assistant Chaplain

Closing Remarks.....President G. William Thomas, Jr.

Retiring of Colors and Adjournment

Group Photos

Participants in the Wreath Laying Ceremony

James Monroe Memorial Foundation	Mary Anna Broadbent
Virginia Society of SAR	Patrick M. Kelly, President
Richmond Chapter of SAR	Dana Law, Vice President
George Mason Chapter of SAR	Kenneth Morris, Vice President
Col. William Grayson Chapter of SAR	Andrew Monahan, Asst. Sec.

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James Monroe Chapter of SAR	Charles Belfield, President
Richard Henry Lee Chapter of SAR	George Beckett, Member
Fairfax Resolves Chapter of SAR	Dave Cook, Registrar
George Washington Chapter of SAR	Paul Walden, President
Rappahannock Chapter of SAR	Wright Andrew, President
Williamsburg Chapter of SAR	William Greaf, President
Thomas Nelson Chapter of SAR	Gary Hodges, Vice President
General Daniel Morgan Chapter of SAR	Louis March
Society of the War of 1812 in Virginia	Chuck Poland, President
Eliza Monroe Chapter, U.S. Daughters of 1812	Natalie Ardoline, President
Order of Founders & Patriots in Va	Michael Weyler, Genealogist
Sons of the Revolution, Va. Society	Matson Roberts, Past President

James Monroe Birthplace Park and Museum

The historic James Monroe Birthplace Park and Museum is open for the summer on weekends from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

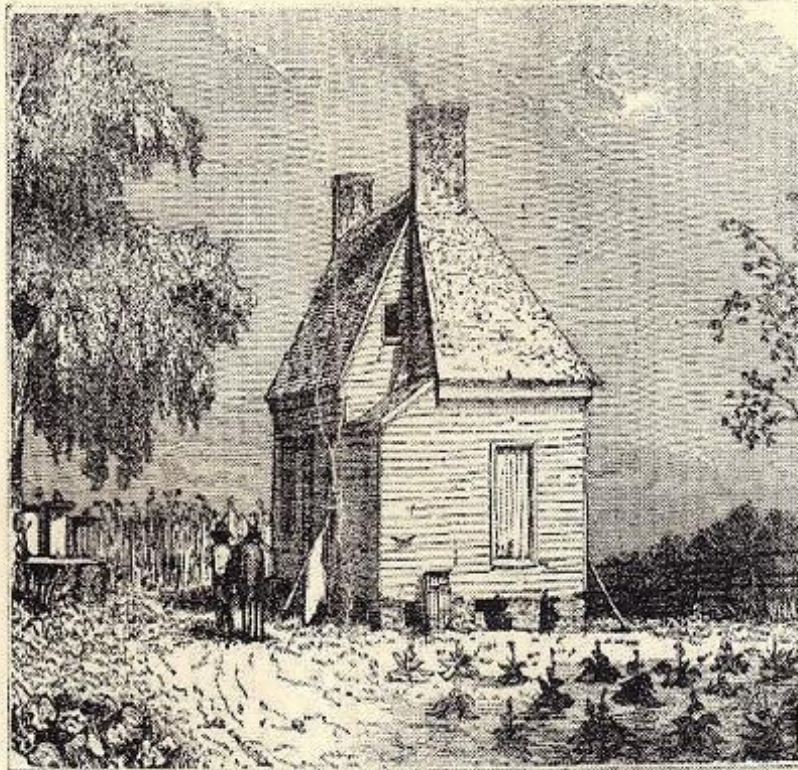


FIG. 25.—Birthplace of the President Monroe

The Foundation's purpose is for Education and Preservation honoring the life and legacy of James Monroe, our fifth President and founding father. He was the only other US President to have served in active duty in the Revolutionary War other than George Washington and helped save this nation during the War of 1812 when he served as both Secretary of State and Secretary of War. Visit the new Museum with its expanded exhibits honoring President James Monroe.

Directions: The Birthplace is located on Route 205 in Westmoreland County, 1 mile east of Colonial Beach at 4850 James Monroe Highway at the James Monroe Birthplace Historical marker.

Visit www.monroefoundation.org, virginiapresidents@gmail.com and James Monroe Memorial Foundation on Facebook. Phone: 804-214-9145.



The above photo shows Society Historian, Peter Broadbent, Jr at the podium as Assistant Master of ceremonies. On the far left is the society's "Star Spangled Banner Flag (15 stars with 15 Stripes)"

Unfortunately photos of President Poland giving greetings and presenting the society wreath did not develop properly. The below photo shows the attendees



Mike Lyman below is shown with some other members of the color guard



Charles Belfield, our society color guard commander, is the supervisor of the construction of the replica James Monroe birth place house and after the ceremony he showed attendees the current building under construction as shown below. Tours were made inside the building

