

Society Conducts Ceremony on Veterans Day for Four War of 1812 Veterans

On November 11th 2019, at 2:00 PM, the Society of the War of 1812 in the Commonwealth of Virginia unveiled grave markers for four War of 1812 veterans. It was conducted in the cemetery of the St Marys White Chapel Episcopal Church located in the town of Lively, Lancaster County on the Northern Neck of Virginia. Below is the pre-event news release in the Rappahannock Record in Kilmarnock, VA



For Immediate Release

On November 11th 2019 at 2:00 PM, the War of 1812 Society in Virginia will conduct a ceremony unveiling War of 1812 grave markers at the gravesites of four War of 1812 veterans located in the cemetery of St Marys White Chapel Church. The veterans to be honored are:

James Kendall Ball, was born 27 Oct 1790 and died 28 Nov 1836 at "Edgewood," in Lancaster County. He served as a surgeon in the 92nd Virginia Militia Regiment. He was married in Fauquier County on 27 Feb 1817 to Anna Eliza Blackwell, (24 Nov 1801- 27 Jul 1847), daughter of Gen. John Blackwell and Judith Lee Pierce of Fauquier County. He was the son of James Ball (1755-1825) and Frances Downman (1758-1821). After the war he was a doctor and he Inherited "Edgewood"

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James S Ewell, was born 17 Sep 1789 and died 15 Apr 1878. He served as a private in Captain Hugh Brent's Company in Lancaster County's, 92nd Virginia Militia Regiment. Upon Captain Brent's death on May 14 1814, he served in Captain Williamson P Jones's company. He was married to Ann Chowning, daughter of John Chowning and Catherine (___). He was the son of James Ewell and Ann Lee.

William Downman McCarty, was born on 3 Oct 1791 and died 3 Sep 1848. He served as a Sergeant in Capt Robert W Carter's, Troop of Cavalry in Richmond County's 41st Virginia Militia Regiment. He married Mary B (___). He was the son of Dennis & Feliz McCarty.

Directions: In the town of Lively on Route 3, Lancaster County turn southwest on White Chapel Road and continue to the intersection with Route 354. The church cemetery is on the right at 5940 White Chapel Road. The parking area is on the right just past the church. The public is invited to attend. Direct descendants from any of the names mentioned above are encouraged to attend and will be recognized.

The War of 1812 Society in Virginia is a lineage organization of male members that have direct ancestors to veterans of the war during the period from May 1812 to February 1815 from any state not just Virginia. Assistance will be given to any man that feels that he descends from one of the veterans of the war so that he may join the society. One of the main purposes of the society is to identify burial places of these veterans and to place War of 1812 markers on their gravesites. They have been pretty much forgotten from a forgotten war for our country's independence. During the ceremonies we conduct throughout Virginia the veteran's service to our country is recognized and recorded.

The four pages of the program follow

**GRAVE MARKER UNVEILING CEREMONY
ST MARYS WHITE CHAPEL CHURCH
CEMETERY**

5940 White Chapel Road, Lively, Virginia

November 11 2019 at 2:00 PM



Honoring Four War of 1812 Soldiers

Surgeon James Kendall Ball

Private Joseph Addison Carter

Private James S Ewell

Sergeant William Downman McCarty

Conducted by

**The Society of the War of 1812
in the Commonwealth of Virginia**

PROGRAM

2:00pm Call to Order:*Mike Lyman, Past President War of 1812 Society in VA*

Invocation:*Hugh Markham, Registrar War of 1812 Society*

Forwarding & Presentation of Colors: *Combined SAR & War of 1812:.....Color Guard performed by Jim Russell, Charles Belfield, Mike Lyman, Hugh Markham, and Michael Weyler*

Pledge of Allegiance by all:*led by Carter Furr, Counsel, War of 1812 Society*

National Anthem:*Sung by Dr Cheryl Davis, Rappahannock Chapter, US Daughters of 1812*

Color Guard Post Colors:*Society Color Guard*

Introduction of Attendees and Opening Remarks:*Mike Lyman, Past President*

Greetings from Northern Neck of VA Historical Society:*Rev Charles Sydnor, Past President*

Greetings from U.S. Daughters of 1812:*JoAnn Fickling, President Rappahannock Chapter*

Greetings/Remarks by Descendants of Veterans:*Selected descendants from attendees*

Veterans Being Honored Information:

 Joseph Addison Carter:.....*Descendant Carter Furr, Counsel War of 1812 Society*

 Three other 1812 Veterans: Members Richard Rattan, Jim Russell, and James Crook

Unveiling Marker Ritual: *Mike Lyman, Society Graves Chairman & Hugh Markham, Registrar War of 1812 Society*

Grave Marker Unveiling: *Descendants and selected society members: Note: two are in separate area of cemetery*

Wreath Presentations by Representatives of Societies Present: ...*Read by Charles Belfield, Color Guard Chairman*

 Society of War of 1812 in VA*represented by Mike Weyler Member*

 Northern Neck of VA Historical Society:.....*represented by Rev Charles Sydnor, Past President*

Rappahannock Chapter # 493, U.S. Daughters of 1812:.....Jo Anne Fickling, President

Musket Salute &Taps:.....*Charles Belfield & Hugh Markham*

Benediction:*Rev Charles Sydnor, Past President, Northern Neck of VA Historical Society*

Group Photos: Dick Fickling member War of 1812 Society

Note: President Stuart L Butler. President of the War of 1812 Society in VA was able to attend so he replaced Lyman in some parts of the program. Also Dr Cheryl Davis was not able to attend so the attendees sang the National Anthem

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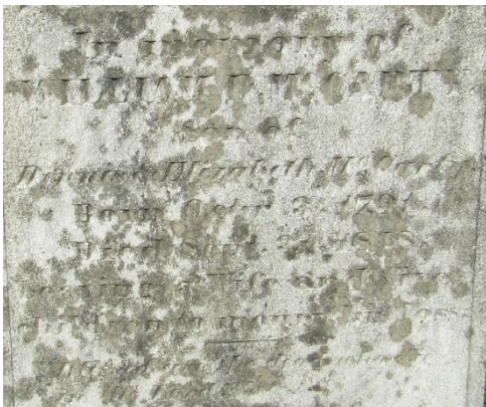
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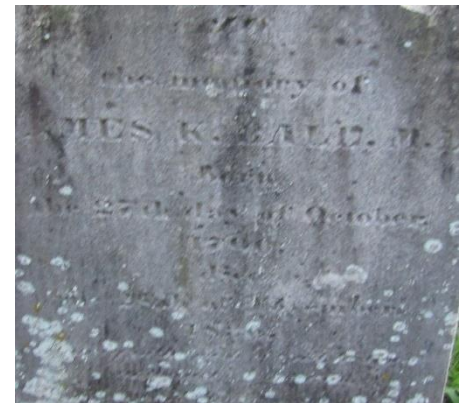
Left: Gravestone of Joseph A Carter



Right: Gravestone of James S Ewell



Left: Gravestone of William D McCarty



Right: Gravestone of James Kendall Ball



During the War of 1812 the American flag of our country was called the Star Spangled Banner Flag consisting of fifteen stars and fifteen stripes. A rendition of this flag will be carried in the Color Guard at this ceremony.

GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF THE WAR OF 1812 SOCIETY

The objectives of the society are the collection and preservation of rolls, records, books, and other documents relating to the War of 1812; the encouragement of research and the preservation of historical data, including memorials to patriots of that era in our national history; the caring for the graves of veterans of the war; the cherishing, maintenance and extension of the institutions of American freedom; and the fostering of true patriotism and love of country.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Any male person above the age of twenty-one years, who participated in, or who is a lineal descendant of one who served during the War of 1812 in the army, navy, revenue-marine, or privateer service of the United States, offering proof thereof satisfactory to the state society to which he may make application for membership, and who is of good moral character and reputation, may become a member of the society.

TO BECOME A MEMBER

To obtain an application please contact the state society registrar, Hugh A Markham at 305 Mallard Drive, Heathsville, VA 22473 Cell: (804) 761-9011 or e-mail hugjhr.markham@gmail.com

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



Attendees gather before the ceremony begins

Below Stuart L Butler, President of the society opens the ceremony with welcoming remarks

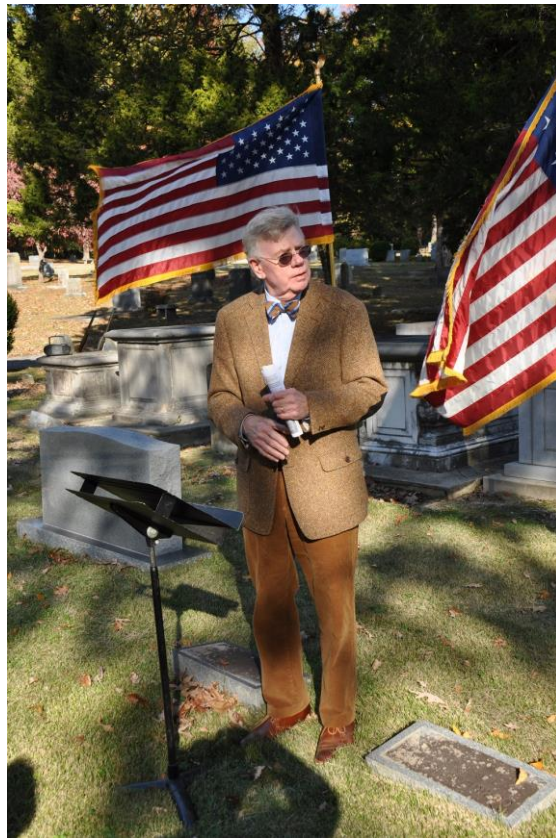




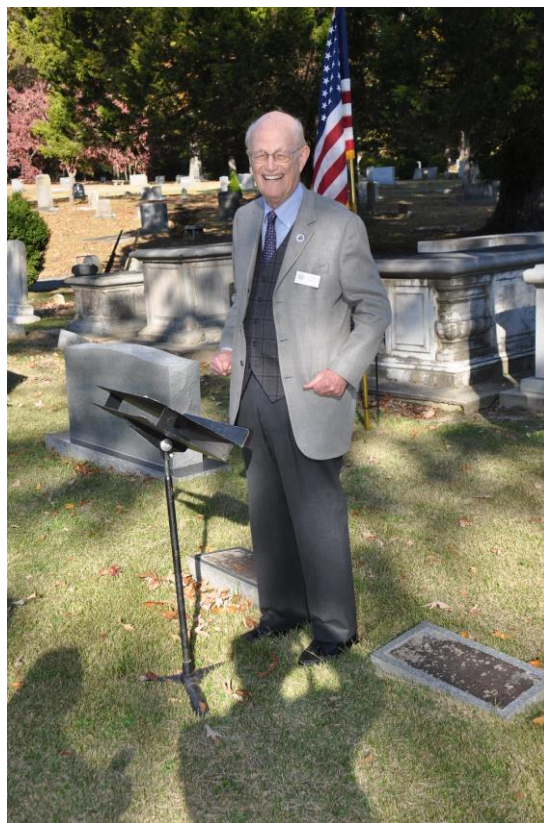
The War of 1812 Society Color Guard is awaiting to be advanced. Left to right: Mike Lyman. Past President of the Society with sword at right shoulder; Charles Belfield Society Color Guard Chairman carrying the Star Spangled Banner flag; Jim Russell, member carrying the Society flag; and behind Hugh Markham, Society Registrar carrying the American Flag



Above the flags are posted behind President Stuart Butler. Below Rev Charles Sydnor President of the Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society gives greetings



Below Jim Russell, a descendant of James Carter Ball, provides information regarding his ancestor and removes the grave marker cover at his gravestone

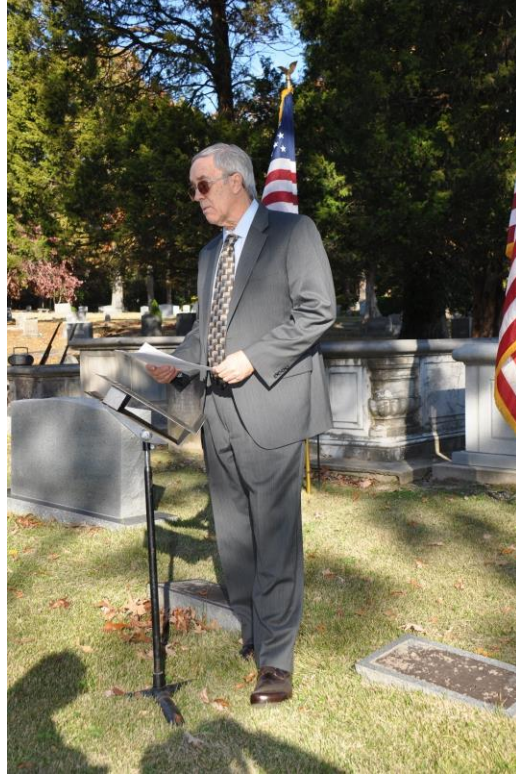


Above Carter Furr, Counsel of the War of 1812 Society and a descendant of Private Joseph Addison Carter presents details about his ancestor and his Carter family on the Northern Neck of Virginia. Below he removes the cover from the War of 1812 marker



Below War of 1812 member, James Crook provides information about Private James S Ewell





Above War of 1812 member Richard Rattan provides information about William Downman McCarty. Below he and the son of member James Crook unveil the cover from the James S Ewell grave marker.





Rev Charles Sydnor, Past President of the Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society; Mike Weyler, member of the War of 1812 Society; and JoAnne Fickling, President of the Rappahannock Chapter Daughters of 1812 stand behind the wreaths they presented



Charles Belfield and Hugh Markham conduct the musket salute



A group photo of the War of 1812 members behind the society wreath that participated in the ceremony are from left, James Crook; Hugh Markham; Charles Belfield; Dick Fickling; Carter Furr; Mike Weyler; Mike Lyman. Stuart Butler and Jim Russell

War of 1812 Society conducts grave marking on Veterans Day

by Jackie Nunnery

LANCASTER—On a day when the nation stops to remember the service of its soldiers, the War of 1812 Society in Virginia continued working to preserve the memory of veterans in an often forgotten war.

The society on Veterans Day, Monday, November 11, held a ceremony at St. Mary's Whitechapel cemetery in Lancaster to mark the graves of four area veterans—James Kendall Ball, Joseph Addison Carter, James S. Ewell and William Dowman McCarty—who served in what is sometimes referred to as the nation's second battle for independence.

Welcoming those gathered, which included members of the society, the U.S. Daughters of 1812 and descendants of the veterans, Rev. Charles Sydnor, past president of the Northern Neck Historical Society said, "How we remember our past dictates our future."

"What is kept in memory is never forgotten," said society graves chairman Mike Lyman before the unveiling of the four grave markers. Society registrar Hugh Markham offered prayers during the reading.

To remember the past, colors were flown, biographies were read, and markers were unveiled. Those gathered were reminded of a war which doesn't garner much attention, but without which there would be no "Star Spangled Banner."

The ceremony was one of several observances in Lancaster and Northumberland counties to recognize the military service of community members past and present.

Above a reporter from the Rappahannock Record, Kilmarnock, VA took photos at the ceremony. She prepared and issued the above summary of the event and on November 14th placed the below two photos in the newspaper,



A three-volley musket salute was performed at the closing by society members Charles Belfield and Hugh Markham. The practice originated on the battlefield when a cease-fire had been called by warring parties to care for their fallen. The three volleys would signal that the dead had been properly attended and the sides were ready to resume battle.

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Richard Rattan and Daniel Crook unveil the marker at the headstone of James S. Ewell.