

Society Conducts Joint Marker Unveiling Ceremony with SAR on Veterans Day

On November 11th at 10:00 AM the War of 1812 Society in the Commonwealth of Virginia jointly with the Richard Henry Lee Chapter, Virginia Society SAR (Sons of the American Revolution) unveiled a War of 1812 and an SAR grave marker. It was conducted in the cemetery of the "Northumberland House" on Clarke Lane in Northumberland County on the Northern Neck of Virginia. Honored with the new grave markers by their gravestones were Lt Colonel James Moore of the Revolutionary War and Paymaster, Thomas Towles of the War of 1812.

About twenty people attended the ceremony. Below is the program and the photos that were taken by Dick Fickling, past president of the SAR chapter and a member of the War of 1812 society.



GRAVE MARKER UNVEILING CEREMONY

for

Lt Colonel, JAMES MOORE, Revolutionary War Officer

&

Paymaster, THOMAS TOWLES, War of 1812 Soldier

at 10 AM, November 11, 2019

at the

NORTHUMBERLAND HOUSE CEMETERY

61 Clarke Lane, Northumberland County

by the

Richard Henry Lee Chapter VASSAR

and the

Virginia Society War of 1812

in the Commonwealth of Virginia

PROGRAM

10am Call to Order:*Jim Russell, President Richard Henry Lee Chapter, VASSAR*

Invocation:*Dr Dennis Martin, Chaplain*

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

Pledge of Allegiance by all: *led by Robert McKenney,. Member RHL Chapter*

National Anthem:*Sung by Dr Cheryl Davis, Past Regent Cobbs Hall DAR Chapter*

Color Guard Post Colors:*Combined Society Color Guard*

Introduction of Attendees and Opening Remarks:*Jim Russell, President*

Greetings from Society War of 1812 in VA:*Charles Belfield, Color Guard Chairman*

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 from the Colonel Fielding Lewis Chapter SAR:*James A Crook, Chapter Historian*

Greetings from the VA Order Founder & Patriots of America:*Michael Weyler, Genealogist*

Greetings from Cobbs Hall Chapter USDAR:*Dr Cheryl Davis, Past Chapter Regent*

Greeting from James Monroe Chapter SAR: *George Beckett, Secretary*

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

Veteran Being Honored Information:

 Revolutionary War Veteran:*Dick Fickling, Past Treasurer, RHL SAR Chapter*

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

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

Grave Marker Unveiling: ...*Descendants and selected society members RHL & 1812 societies*

Wreath Presentations by Representatives of Societies Present: *Read by Dennis Martin*

 Richard Henry Lee Chapter*represented by Jim Russell, President*

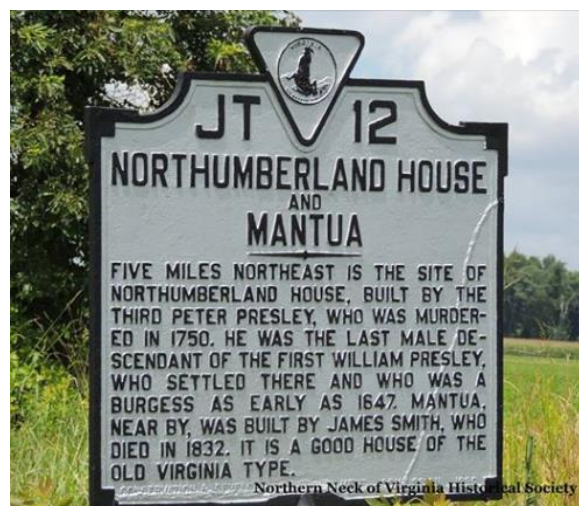
 Society of War of 1812 in VA*represented by Hugh Markham Member*

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

US Daughters of 1812, Rappahannock Chapter, *represented by JoAnn Fickling, President*
VA Order Founders & Patriots of America, *represented by Richard Rattan Member*
Colonel Fielding Lewis Chapter SAR,*represented by James A Cook, Historian*
James Monroe Chapter SAR,*represented by Charles Belfield, President*
 Musket Salute and TAPS:*Charles Belfield, Hugh Markham Color Guard*
 Benediction: *Rev Dr Dennis Martin, Chaplain*
 Closing Remarks & Adjournment.....*Jim Russell, President*

MOORE, James was born in 1756 or 1757 in Chester Co, PA and died 20 May 1813 in Virginia. He served as a Lieutenant Colonel in PA Line. He achieved the rank of major on 2 Sept 1778. He was in battles at Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, Charleston, Savannah, and Yorktown. He married on March 18 Oct 1787, Sarah Delaney (c1767-1 Dec 1814, probably PA), daughter of Sharp & () Delaney of Philadelphia. He was the son of James & Elizabeth (Whitehall) Moore. After the war he was a wine and liquor merchant. His daughter Margaret Delaney Moore, was born 20 Jan 1789 and married in Philadelphia, on 1 Oct 1807, Thomas Towles (born 5 Nov 1784, at Towles Point, VA and died 5 Apr1822)

TOWLES, Thomas was born in 1783 and died in 1822. He served as the paymaster for Northumberland County's 37th Militia Regiment during the War of 1812. He was married in Northumberland County, 1 October 1807 to Margaret Moore. Margaret was the daughter of Lieutenant Colonel James and Sarah Moore. In 1815, Towles purchased 200 acres of land, a portion of which lay in the heart of Heathsville, adjoining Hughlett's Tavern. This was the land on which Oakley stands today near the courthouse. His youngest daughter, Sally, subject to her mother's life interest, received this house. They had two sons, James Moore Towles and Thomas Towles, and another daughter, named for her mother.¹In 1838, young Margaret Delaney Towles married John D. McAdam.



Below is the modern day house. The original house no longer exists



Above President Jim Russell of the Richard Henry Lee Chapter opens the ceremony. The color guard awaits to be forwarded and to present the colors



Below Reverend Charles Sydnor gives the invocation. Later in the ceremony he gave greetings from the Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society





Above the combined SAR and War of 1812 Color Guard advances. From left Mike Lyman, Past Virginia Governor Order of the Founder & Patriots of America carries the OFPA colors; George Beckett, member of the Richard Henry Lee SAR Chapter carries the chapter flag; Charles Belfield Color Guard Commander War of 1812 Society carries the VA Society flag; Jim Russell, President of the Richard Henry Lee Chapter and a member of the War of 1812 society carries the Star Spangled Banner flag; and Hugh Markham, Registrar of the War of 1812 Society carries the U.S. flag

Below JoAnne Fickling gives greetings as President of the Rappahannock Chapter Virginia, U.S. Daughters of 1812



Below Charles Belfield, Color Guard Commander, War of 1812 Society in VA gives greetings



Below Mike Lyman, gives greetings for the VA Order of the Founders & Patriots of America as past Governor. He is dressed in the attire of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues of the War of 1812



Below Susan Hudson gives greetings from the Cobbs Hall Chapter, USDAR



Above George Beckett, Secretary of the James Monroe SAR Chapter, VASSAR gives greetings

Below Richard Rattan, member of the Virginia Order of the Founders & Patriots of America and the son of James Crook, Historian of the Colonel Fielding Lewis Chapter, VASSAR unveil the War of 1812 marker for paymaster, Thomas Towles.





Above is the grave of Thomas Towles with the unveiled War of 1812 grave marker. Below on the left is the grave James Moore and the unveiled SAR grave marker. Note the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) grave marker is also on the gravesite in the center.





Above Charles Belfield and Hugh Markham, Registrar of the War of 1812 Society in VA fire the Musket Salute



The participants gathered for a group photo by the wreaths that were presented. Several others that attended did not get in it. L/R; George Beckett, Past President Hazel, Colonel Fielding Lewis chapter; Richard Hattan; JoAnne Fickling; Mike Lyman, Past President VA War of 1812 Society; Charles Sydnor; Charles Belfield; Jim Russell, President Richard Henry Lee Chapter; and Hugh Markham