

Society Conducts President Tyler's Birthday Ceremony Mar 29 2019

President Stuart L Butler of the War of 1812 Society in the Commonwealth of Virginia conducted a birthday ceremony for President John Tyler in the Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond on March 29, 2020 by presenting a wreath. Although the official ceremony by the US Army's presentation of the presidential wreath was cancelled because of the coronavirus 19, he was able to provide information to some visitors in the cemetery about President John Tyler and his service in the War of 1812

President John Tyler was a Captain in the 52nd Regiment, Charles City Militia during the War of 1812. Records show that he commanded a company of riflemen during the periods June 28 to July 13 1813 and again from September 4th to October 11th 1814. During this latter period his company was attached to the 2nd Corps D'Elite commanded by Lt Colonel Moses Green. He was born in 1780 and died in 1862. Photos below show his monument in the cemetery and the wreath that was presented by Butler.

President Tyler's second wife, Julia Gardner who died in 1889 applied for a pension for his service and the application file from NARA (National Archives) shows that she received the pension as a widow and that he received the bounty land warrant. Descendants of Tyler have indicated that the pension amount was for \$18 per annum. Please also note that the bounty land warrant was issued in 1855 before he died and it was for 160 acres. His service is shown on this extracted file.

WAR OF 1812		
NUMBERS	SOLDIER	BOUNTY LAND
<i>N.O. 28-172</i>	<i>Tyler, John</i>	<i>wt # 70.1-160-55</i>
<i>N.C. 10007</i>	<i>Tyler, Julia Gardner</i>	
	<i>Service Capt. of Co, 52nd Reg. Va mil.</i>	
		<i>Remarks (President of the United States)</i>



