

**Patriot's Day Grave Re-Marking Ceremony**  
Sponsored by: The Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution on April 18<sup>th</sup> 2026 @ 1 PM.

~ **Early American History Presentation** ~  
The Concord Hymn sung by Olivia Wallace, Sycamore H.S. Choir

- ~ Invocation by Chaplain Stephen McClanahan
- ~ Emcee's Command: Nolan Carson Color Guard, Formation
- ~ Presentation of Colors, Jason Bourgeois NCMCG Commander.
- ~ Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Compatriot – Nathan Chester
- ~ National Anthem Led by **Olivia Wallace**, Sycamore H.S. Choir
- ~ SAR Pledge by SAR Members: led by Paul George
- ~ Introduction and Welcome of Dignitaries by Emcee:  
CCSAR Pres. Scott Freeman and Cinti. DAR Regent Monica Mohlenkamp.

**Dedication of the Marker**, Emcee Dr. Michael Gunn, Reveal by Gary Duffield.

Names of Patriots: Gregg Ballman with Chiming the bell for each Patriot by – George Stewart.

Placing the Wreaths: Vince McGeehan & Kenneth Burck see Att. B

Flintlock Salute: see Attachment A

Taps by Doug Carver

SAR Recessional led by Ken Burck

Benediction by: Chaplain Stephen McClanahan



Patriots Day Program Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution

Distribution of Pamphlets: Compatriots, by Revolutionary Sites and War Graves Committee of CCSAR on behalf of the Ohio Society of SAR, Patriot Graves Committee.

**Re-Dedication:** We, the members of the Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Re-dedicate this marked Memorial to the glory of God and in the recognition of the memory of these honorable Patriots of the American Revolution.



On this special day we shall once again give remembrance to all those who risked to safeguard our liberties on and around the field of battle.



Pledge to the SAR:

We the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.



SAR Recessional:

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a Nation of Free Men.

Concord Hymn

By the rude bridge that arched the flood,  
Their flag to April's breeze unfurled,  
Here once the embattled farmers stood,  
And fired the shot heard round the world.

The foe long since in silence slept;  
Alike the conqueror silent sleeps;  
And Time the ruined bridge has swept  
Down the dark stream which seaward creeps.

On this green bank, by this soft stream,  
We set to-day a votive stone,  
That memory may their deed redeem,  
When, like our sires, our sons are gone.

Spirit, that made those heroes dare  
To die, or leave their children free,  
Bid Time and Nature gently spare  
The shaft we raise to them and thee.

## **Patriots Day 2025 Grave Marking**

**1 PM April 18, 2025 at Washington Park Cincinnati, OH  
Revolutionary War Soldiers Memorial (SAR C-0319015)  
GPS 39.108670 -84.518285 at the Memorial Hall Plaque.**



***The service today is the Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution's compliance with the NSSAR's assessment by the Americanism report of Programs and the Ohio Society of***

We are here today to rededicate this Memorial that honors the 55 Revolutionary Patriots buried on these hallowed grounds with these 5 today:

~ Stephens, Nicholas (1761-1838) At Monmouth, NJ Col. Spencer P-  
**297414**

~ Stone, Charles (1757-1848) At Boston, MA Army P-**298556**

~ Strong, Barnabas (1759-1821) With Lt. Col Bedel's NH Regt. P-  
**299594**

~ Tibbits, Isaac (1759-1825) Rev./ Ind. Wars Col. Alden's MA Regt. P-  
**304979**

~ Williams, John (1754-1828) Fifer, 2nd PA Regt at Yorktown P-**320876**

**Color**

**Guard/ Mucket Unit\* Attachment A:**

**Germany Society Members C:**

John H. Bredenfoerder

Dr. Michael Gunn

Gary Duffield

Larry Collins

Mike Blum

Ken Burck

Jason Bourgeois, Commander

-Michael Gunn

Gregg Ballman\*

Geo. Stewart\*

Gary Duffield\*

-Clay Crandall

- Bob Bowers\*

Ed Boniwell\*

- Nathan Chester\*

-Doug Blake

- Alan Gummere\*

Steve Conrad, Hocking Valley

Vincent McGeehan, Flag

Regimental Flag, Michael Blum

### **Wreaths, Attachment B:**

OHSSAR Treasurer, Michael Blum

Cincinnati Chapter, President Scott Freeman

Germany Society, Jack Bredenfoerder President

Highlander Chapter Pres. Gary Duffield

Alan Gummere, Hocking Valley Chapter

Steven Conrad, Hocking Valley Chapter & NSSAR Veterans Adm.

Cincinnati DAR Regent Monica Molhenkamp

Clough Valley DAR, Hist. Cindy Abbott

State Society of the Cincinnati of Pennsylvania by Dr. Bruce Bennett

### **Other SAR Members Labor:**

Ken Burck

**Music:** Doug Carver Bugle  
National Anthem -All

**Photos:** Bruce Bennett  
Carole Gunn

**Photography Kathy Freeman, Bruce Bennett  
& Carole Gunn**

Music Carter Allen, Sycamore H.S.

**Dignitaries:**

John Bredenfoerder, Pres. Germany Society SAR Past  
OHSSAR and Cincinnati SAR  
Cincinnati Chapter President Scott Freeman  
Ohio Society Treasurer Michael Blum  
Highlanders Chapter President Gary Duffield  
Past Cincinnati Chapter President George Stewart  
Past Cincinnati Chapter President Gregg Ballman  
Cincinnati DAR Regent Monica Molhenkamp  
Donna Vanover, Hopewell Chap. DAR  
Debby Niehaus, Regent Clough Valley DAR  
+ Cindy Abbott, Clough Valley DAR descendant of Cleve  
Carrie Nelson, DAR and descendant of Cleve

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