

The Liberty Bell

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On the cover:
KSSAR Secretary John Schwartz (Washington Chapter) presented the colors at Trinity Lutheran Church for Wichita's Celebrate 250 concert. Photo by Kristen Longenecker

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President's Message

By KSSSAR President Tim Peterman



“A chain is only as strong as its weakest link”

One of my favorite sayings

The Sons of the American Revolution does a lot of things to bring to life the words in our mission statement:

“The Sons of the American Revolution honors our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by promoting patriotism, serving our communities, and educating and inspiring future generations about the founding principle of our Country”

SAR Mission Statement

Many other organizations do similar things. So let's take a look at what the SAR does best; something that few organizations do. As I demonstrated in my last Liberty Bell article, many men in Kansas have Revolutionary War patriots embedded deep in their ancestry. Few people are aware of this. The SAR and DAR stand alone in documenting, verifying and registering patriot ancestors for our membership and their posterity. This is the one Core Value that we bring to the American people.

Some might imagine that we have a huge army of professional genealogists working on an endless array of lineages, trying to find those “hard to locate” Revolutionary War patriots. This is a misrepresentation of reality at best. The Kansas Society has two members who are working on and completing applications on a regular, consistent basis. Each sponsors applications for several chapters. Both have, not only the Liberty Medal, but a large assortment of oak leaves to show for it. We owe them a deep debt of gratitude. The Kansas Society wouldn't have nearly 1,000 members if it weren't for their work.

But there is a dark side to this. One of the sponsors is in his mid-60s, the other in his mid-70s. Until recently, we had at least six other members who were actively producing a lot of applications. So what happened? Father time got the best of them. Some are deceased. The others are in their 80s or 90s and have had to step back from this. The two sponsors who are currently generating a lot of applications may continue to do this for years to come.

But we need to look at the deeper future. I don't think it would be unreasonable for us to strive to have one active, functioning genealogical specialist for every 50 members of the Kansas Society. That would be 20 men scattered across the state, each doing applications perhaps for his own chapter or geographical area. Now for the tricky part. These men should be considerably younger than the current set of genealogical specialists, preferably born in the late 1960s, 1970s, 1980s, or even 1990s. Each would have the potential to generate applications for decades into the future. Granted, if members born in the

1940s, 1950s, or early 1960s want to do applications, we should support them in every way. But we need to focus on finding younger genealogists.

I know that a number of our members know very little about genealogy, especially when it comes to documenting a lineage. A lot of people joined SAR because someone else did their application, or perhaps in conjunction with one's father or brother. But I suspect that at least one out of every 50 members of the Kansas Society would be capable of doing this. You know who you are. Have you produced a family tree, either at Ancestry, My Heritage, or perhaps on paper? Have you done, or tried to do supplementals for SAR? Do you have a good attention to detail?

Some members might have the right skillset to produce applications, but are not really that comfortable doing public outreach, locating prospects, and persuading them to join SAR. Others can do that. Frequently, the best speakers and promoters have a lower attention to detail. Frequently, the meticulous researcher just doesn't like talking to people. I see a division of labor emerging in the context of this discussion.

Perhaps, some members could work in outreach booths, marching in the Color Guard, and so forth, locating prospects as they go. Another group of members can work on applications for the prospects that the first group locates. Each of these groups should be recognized in some way, including those who produce supplemental applications for other members. We need to work together to produce an unending flow of applications for the foreseeable future.

Take a few minutes and take an introspective look at yourself. Do you have the right stuff to become one of the Kansas Society's genealogical specialists? We have mentors who can help YOU achieve this.



Kansas Society Continues Campaign to Sponsor Museum Figure

Jerry Gross Kansas Society Vice President

The Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution has reached an exciting milestone in our effort to sponsor one of the life-sized historical figures that will be featured in the new SAR Education Center and Museum. Thanks to the generosity of our members, we are now halfway toward our \$3,000 commitment, and we invite every Kansas compatriot to help us complete this important project.

Our sponsored figure represents Charles Lievin De Pauw (1754–1814), a fascinating Patriot whose story reminds us that the cause of American independence was truly an international effort.

Born in Ghent, Flanders, Charles De Pauw enlisted in Lauzun's Legion, the colorful French cavalry unit that arrived in America in 1780 as part of the expeditionary force commanded by the Comte de Rochambeau.

Serving as a hussar in one of the most elite light cavalry units of the French Army, De Pauw marched alongside the allied French and American forces from Rhode Island through New England, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia as they made their historic campaign toward Yorktown.

At the Battle of Gloucester on October 3, 1781, Lauzun's Legion played a decisive role in defeating British cavalry under the notorious Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton. The victory enabled Allied forces to tighten their grip around Yorktown,

leading to Cornwallis's surrender just weeks later. Family tradition and his tombstone indicate that Charles De Pauw was wounded during the Siege of York, making him one of the many French Patriots whose sacrifices helped secure American independence.

Following the Revolution, De Pauw remained in America, settling in Kentucky, where he established a family and became one of the thousands of immigrants whose lives were forever changed by the triumph of liberty. His journey from Europe to the battlefields of the American Revolution and ultimately to the American frontier embodies the enduring friendship between France and the United States.

The Kansas Society's sponsorship of this figure is especially meaningful because Compatriot Robert Neil Capps, Jr. and Compatriot Robert Neil Capps III, both members of the Kansas Society, are documented descendants of Charles Lievin De Pauw. Their family's connection ensures that Kansas will have a lasting and personal presence in the museum's interpretation of the Revolutionary War.

When the exhibit opens, the figure will be permanently recognized with a sponsor display acknowledging that it is sponsored through the generous donations of the Kansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Every visitor to the SAR Education Center and Museum will see Kansas' commitment to

preserving and interpreting the story of the American Revolution for future generations.

Compatriot Brooks Lyles, Past President of the Kansas Society and current NSSAR Secretary General, reports that planning and fabrication of the museum figures continue to move forward as the SAR Education Center and Museum takes shape.

These historically accurate figures will become permanent educational exhibits, allowing visitors to experience the diverse men and women who contributed to American independence.

I invite every Kansas Compatriot to consider making a tax-deductible contribution of any amount to help us reach our goal. Whether your gift is \$25, \$50, \$100, or more, every donation brings us one step closer to ensuring that Kansas leaves its mark on this landmark national project.

Please consider making your contribution today and help the Kansas Society complete its \$3,000 commitment. Every gift matters, and together we can ensure that Kansas is forever recognized as a proud supporter of this historic national exhibit.

Donations can be mailed to Ken Ludwig, 14017 Hayes Street, Overland Park, KS. 66221

Benedictine Library Dedication

America250 Opening Celebration – July 4, 2026



Benedictine's new library, an academic and civic education center inspired by Independence Hall in Philadelphia broke ground on September 23, 2023 with an SAR Color Guard presentation.

The project was envisioned as a landmark dedicated to constitutional education, American history, and the Benedictine College's Catholic intellectual tradition.

Officially opening in conjunction with Atchison's America250 celebration, the new facility stands as a brilliant tribute to the 250th anniversary of American independence. The ceremonies were elevated by the Kansas Society SAR Color Guard and members of the Henry Leavenworth Chapter, who drew widespread acclaim for their outstanding performances.



The rainy weather could not deter patriots from all walks of life, as hundreds of men, women and children turned out. Adding to the immersive atmosphere, Benedictine College staff and students enthusiastically participated throughout the day—many donning full colonial attire—while re-enactors portraying Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Betsy Ross and the Town Crier, brought additional historic importance to the festivities.



The celebration successfully showcased the powerful synergy between Benedictine College and the SAR. Through the combined forces of living history, constitutional education, and ancestral research, the collaboration left a lasting impression on visitors of all ages, seamlessly advancing the SAR mission while deeply embedding the organization into the fabric of the Atchison community.

Henry Leavenworth SAR & Atchison DAR Chapters Outreach

The Henry Leavenworth Chapter—led by State Society Vice President Jerald Gross, President Robert Lofthouse, Vice President Mark Davis, and Treasurer Vern Welkner—anchored the event with an interactive informational display featuring the Patriot Chest. Bringing history to life, compatriots used the chest's artifacts to educate a steady stream of curious visitors on the Revolutionary War and the mission of the SAR. Sharing the floor was the Atchison Chapter, NSDAR. Established on January 28, 1908, and named for the historic city founded by Senator David Rice Atchison, the DAR chapter offered insights into their own deep-rooted legacy of patriotism.



Throughout the day, compatriots engaged in lively conversations with men, women, and children, answering questions about lineage and patriot research. The crowd drew from Benedictine's own faculty, staff, and students, alongside travelers from as far away as Wichita, Indiana, and Wisconsin. Many local discussions centered on the region's deep German heritage, with compatriots helping families learn how their ancestors may have participated in the War for Independence. By the end of the day, nearly every visitor walked away with QR codes in hand, eager to explore their own Revolutionary War ancestry.



Living History Presentation

The definitive highlight of the day belonged to the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), brought to life through a stirring first-person re-enactment by Kansas Society State Vice President Jerald Gross. Portraying John Hancock, Gross delivered a powerful oration in the library's replica Assembly Room before a packed, captivated audience.

At the climax of his speech, "Hancock" looked out at the crowd and issued a historic challenge: *"Who among you shall join me in the cause of freedom?"*

"I do," broke the silence.



Stephen Minnis, President of Benedictine College, stepped forward. Advancing to the Continental Congress President's desk with the iconic Rising

Sun chair commanding the background, President Minnis declared to the room: *"I sign this document on behalf of my Patriot, John Minnis, who served and was present at the Battles of Long Island, White Plains, Brandywine, Germantown, Trenton, Princeton, and Valley Forge."*

There, on the Fourth of July—upon the very desk of the President of Congress—President Minnis signed his application for membership in the SAR. It was a powerful echo of that momentous 1776 gathering, honoring the legendary patriots who boldly pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor to one another.

Continuing the Vision

Far more than a simple repository for books, the new library boasts a breathtaking, full-scale replica of Independence Hall's Assembly Room—the very crucible where the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were fiercely debated and born.

Guarded by a full-scale replica of the Liberty Bell, this state-of-the-art facility pairs expanded collections, interactive classrooms, and dynamic study areas with its crowning jewel: the permanent home of the Center for Constitutional Liberty.



"Henry Leavenworth is proud to join the Atchison Chapter and Benedictine College in honoring America's 250th Anniversary at this historic library unveiling," said Lofthouse. "We hope to use this momentum to generate enough local interest for us to sponsor a brand-new SAR chapter right here in Atchison."

Colorguard Across Kansas

The Kansas Society colorguard represents the society at activities throughout the state. Requests for color guard have been higher than usual as communities across Kansas celebrate the semiquincentennial celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Combined Color Guard of KS SAR and Sons of Union Veterans marching at the June 6, 2026 Heartland Salute to America parade at Forbes Field, Topeka, KS - Brian Vazquez, Doug Brabb, John More from the KS Color Guard



Kansas SAR Color Guard at Compatriot Fred Chambers commitment at the Leavenworth National Cemetery on February 23, 2026 - Brian Vazquez, John More, Jeffrey Winters, Clay Shropshire, Kirk Rush - Bruce Smith was the photographer.



Washington Chapter Color Guard doing a presentation on Flag Folding – Randy Colby, Joe Warne, John Schwartz and Tim Baxter



POW / MIA Flag

Brian M. Vazquez

Kansas SAR Chancellor

Eastern Kansas Adjutant, Kansas SAR Color Guard

Recently, I had the pleasure of being part of the Kansas SAR Color Guard who presented the National and Armed Forces flags at a July 4th event. We marched a variety of flags, including the Coast Guard, Space Force, Air Force, Navy, Marines, and Army flags. We, also, marched the POW / MIA flag at the event, but only after some discussion. We concluded that it was appropriate given the event and timing. In fairness, there are some questions as to when to use the POW/MIA flag, so you may find the following helpful as you decide how and when to display this flag.

Mary Hoff, a member of the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia, proposed the creation of a symbol for American Prisoners of War (POW) and Missing in Action (MIA) in 1971. Her husband, Lt. Commander Michael Hoff, USN, was MIA at that time. Newt Heisley, an employee of the Annin & Co., designed the flag showing a downcast figure guarded by barbed wire and a guard tower in white on a black background with "POW_MIA" in large white letters above the image. To ensure universality of use, no trademark or copyright was sought. The POW / MIA flag was first flown above the White House in September 1982.

On August 10, 1990, the US Congress passed and the President signed P.L. 101-355 recognizing the POW / MIA flag "...as a symbol of our Nation's concern and commitment to resolving as fully as possible the fates of Americans still prisoner, missing and unaccounted for in Southeast Asia, thus ending the uncertainty for their families and the Nation." The POW/MIA flag has subsequently become a symbol for all American POW/MIA.

In the 1998 Defense Authorization Act, Congress specified that the POW/MIA flag should be flown on Armed Forces Day (3rd Saturday in May), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), Flag Day (June 14), Independence Day (July 4), National POW/MIA Recognition Day (3rd Friday in September), and Veterans Day (November 11).

In November 2019, the National POW / MIA Flag Act, P.L. 116-67, was signed into law requiring the POW / MIA Flag to

be displayed alongside the United States Flag on every day when the U.S. Flag is to be displayed at prominent federal installations. Since the Veterans Administration was one of the designated federal agencies covered by the Act, the Veterans Administration issued a summary of the POW / MIA flag protocol. In short, the POW / MIA flag will be flown at "... the White House, the U.S. Capitol, the Korean and Vietnam Veterans War Memorials, the offices of the Secretaries of State, Defense and Veterans Affairs, offices of the Director of the Selective Service System, every major military installation (as directed by the Secretary of Defense), every post office and all Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical centers and national cemeteries. The act also directs VA medical centers to fly the POW/MIA flag on any day on which the flag of the United States is displayed."

The POW / MIA flag should be flown directly below the U.S. flag if it is on a single pole or standard. If separate poles are used, the U.S. flag is to be to the right of all other flags with the POW / MIA flag being second in precedence.

While the above protocols and laws apply to federal facilities, the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars have adopted POW/MIA flag protocols as well. With appreciation and input from several American Legion Posts, the following is their recommended order for display of the various flags:

1. U.S. Flag
2. State Flag
3. POW/MIA flag
4. Army Flag
5. Marine Flag
6. Navy Flag
7. Air Force Flag
8. Space Force Flag
9. Coast Guard Flag

As of the writing of this article, the NSSAR Color Guard Manual (revised 2026) – see this link: <https://www.sar.org/app/uploads/CG-Handbook-2026.pdf> - does not include or specify any directions concerning the POW/MIA flag. If you have this question about the use of the POW/MIA flag at a particular event, you may want to check with the event organizer to see if they have a specific preference

CHAPTER NEWS

SONS OF THE PLAINS CHAPTER (Hutchinson)



HUTCHINSON, Kan. — The Sons of the Plains Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will commemorate the nation's upcoming 250th anniversary July 4 by dedicating a new Liberty Tree during a day of patriotic festivities. Following a 1.2-mile downtown parade in which the group will march behind the American Legion, community members will gather at the Hutchinson YMCA for the afternoon dedication of a Princeton American elm to be planted by Scott's Landscaping. Kansas Society SAR President Tim Peterman will lead the 2 p.m. ceremony, unveiling a commemorative granite stone to be placed at the base of the tree to honor the nation's founders and educate future generations about the American Revolution.



Before the tree dedication, the chapter will hold a 1:50 p.m. bell-ringing ceremony tolling for the 13 original colonies and will host a raffle drawing for a Browning 12-gauge shotgun, highlighting the group's partnership with GUNBROS. Hutchinson Mayor Scott Meggers will join SAR Chapter Vice President David Parks, Chapter President Bit Roberts and members of the Uvedale Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution for the afternoon events, which will also feature a color guard presentation and local Scout troops leading the Pledge of Allegiance.



PRAIRIE MINUTEMEN CHAPTER (Ellsworth Area)

BENNINGTON CHAPTER (Salina Area)



Bennington Chapter celebrating the 4th of July 2026. President David Dean (standing) and Chaplain Frank Hottman (seated) waving Ole Glory and dressed in patriotic uniform on the Fair Road and I-70 west of Abilene, Kansas. Photo by Chapter Vice President Devin Gray.

CHARLES ROBINSON CHAPTER (Lawrence) Jim Cooper, President



The Charles Robinson Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution hosted a public reading of the Declaration of Independence Wednesday at Broken Arrow Park. The event was followed by a flag retirement ceremony and ice cream social. Also in attendance were members of the Betty Washington Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Regent Marla Slaughter.,

the Sergeant Samuel J. Churchill Chapter of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Scout Troop 55.

Col. JOHN SEWARD CHAPTER (Liberal)

DELAWARE CROSSING CHAPTER (Kansas City & Johnson County)

FORT SCOTT CHAPTER (Ft. Scott)

FORT HAYS CHAPTER (Hays)

HENRY LEAVENWORTH CHAPTER (Leavenworth)



On Saturday, June 20, 2026 at Wollman Park in Leavenworth, the Henry Leavenworth Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) held their annual open Picnic. One of the highlights of the Picnic was an engaging and fascinating half hour presentation by Dr. Susan Brynne Long, Professor of Revolutionary War History at the University of Nebraska. President, Robert Lofthouse, presented Dr Long and Chapter Certificate of Appreciation and a Chapter Coin.

A colorful flyer for an event titled "Swing under the Wings". The flyer features musical notes, a silhouette of a couple dancing, and text indicating the event is on September 26, 2026, from 6pm to 10pm at the CAF Hangar, 6 Aero Plaza, New Century, KS. It also mentions the KC Variety Band and ticket prices starting at \$55.

Olathe Chapter, Inc. NSDAR presents
Swing under the Wings
 Sept 26, 2026
 6pm-10pm
 CAF Hangar
 6 Aero Plaza
 New Century, KS
 featuring the KC Variety Band
 For tickets & event info : www.darswingwings.org
 Live Music & Dancing
 Silent Auction & Vintage Jewelry Sale
 Dinner Buffet by Smokin' Gringos Catering
 Limited Tickets Available! \$55 ea

KONZA PRAIRIE CHAPTER (Manhattan)

MONTICELLO CHAPTER (Shawnee)

THOMAS JEFFERSON CHAPTER (Topeka)

WASHINGTON CHAPTER (Wichita Area)

Washington chapter presented colors for Augusta Celebrates America 250 June 25 – 28.



The cover photo was taken on July 3 while Washington Chapter presented the colors for Trinity Lutheran In Wichita, KS for their Celebrate America 250 concert.

Compatriots John Schwartz and Tim Baxter represented Washington chapter at Wellington's Kansas Wheat Festival parade on July 11.



Little Balkans Chapter (Pittsburg) Dustin Strong President

The chapter recently donated a total of approximately 50 "America 250" children's patriotic books to six of our local libraries. The participating libraries included those in Girard, Independence, Columbus, Arma, McCune, and St. Paul.



We are pleased to report that each Library Director was very excited to receive these books for their collections. We hope these resources will be a valuable addition to the community as we celebrate our nation's history.



The Kansas SAR Ladies Auxiliary *Meets at the Quarterly Board of Governors*

New Members

<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>NSSAR</i>	<i>Ks</i>	<i>Ch</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>
Winger	Dwight	Eugene	235466	4148	SP	Owens, W.A.	10/10/25	John Langrdon+
Raymond	William	Montgomery, Jr.	235570	4149	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	10/17/25	James Montgomery
Emery	Robert	Meredith	235571	4150	LB	Schatzel, J.A.	10/17/25	Nelson Gibson
Walker	Kevin	Martin	235821	4151	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	10/31/25	John Follin
Goss	Brendan	Matthew	235981	4152	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	11/14/25	John McCormick
Chambers	Hunter	Rhyss	236010	4153	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	11/14/25	Andrew Walker
Arnold	Larry	Wayne	236055	4154	LB	Schatzel, J.A.	11/21/25	Jacob Barrows
Madsen	Brian	Christopher	236056	4155	MC	Schatzel, J.A.	11/21/25	Jonathan Butler
Schmidt	Charles	William	236057	4156	FS	Schatzel, J.A.	11/21/25	Francis Northway
Bloom	William	Adlai	236058	4157	MC	Schatzel, J.A.	11/21/25	William Apgar
Stapp	John	Napoleon	236059	4158	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	11/21/25	James Morrow
Badgerow	John	Nicholas	236148	4159	MC	Schatzel, J.A.	12/02/25	Aylett Buckner
Livingston	Robert	Lee	236272	4160	WA	Warne, J.L.	12/12/25	Kilian Ziegler
Albright	Steven	John	236273	4161	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	12/12/25	Christopher Braucher
Grame	Thomas	William, Jr.	236458	4162	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	12/31/25	George Lintner
Lehnherr	Robert	Michael	236459	4163	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	12/31/25	Gustavus Rape
Gravett	Taylor	McCray	236737	4164	LB	Schatzel, J.A.	01/23/26	Robert Terrell, Sr.
Mattson	Joshua	Cade	236738	4165	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	01/23/26	John Hayden
Staples	Jason	Erick	236957	4166	LB	Dupslaff, M.F.	02/13/26	Peter Eisenhower
Staples	Nathaniel	Derrick	236958	4167	LB	Dupslaff, M.F.	02/13/26	Peter Eisenhower
Staples	Jon	Aaron	236959	4168	LB	Dupslaff, M.F.	02/13/26	Peter Eisenhower
Hathaway	Brian	Keith	236960	4169	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	John Hathaway
Hathaway	Aidan	Daniel	236961	4170	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	John Hathaway
Toland	Bernard	Beldon	236962	4171	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	Solomon Cortright+
Toland	Beldon	Junior	236963	4172	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	Solomon Cortright+
Toland	Wayne	A.	236964	4173	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	Solomon Cortright+
Toland	Edward		236965	4174	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	Solomon Cortright+
Moses	Thomas	Richard	236966	4175	TJ	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	Thomas Moore
Bailey	Donald	Eugene	236967	4176	KP	Schatzel, J.A.	02/13/26	Thomas Polk
Sauvage	Alan	Lynn	237391	4177	BN	Stull, M.W.	03/20/26	Benjamin Chubbuck
Drake	Tyler	Robert	237533	4178	SP	Hulse, B.A.	03/27/26	John Makemson
Drake	Dalles	Charles Harvey	237534	4179	SPJ	Hulse, B.A.	03/27/26	John Makemson

Gossmann	Adam	Frederick	237535	4180	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	03/27/26	Jacob Wilderman
Hudson	Myram	Eugene	237536	4181	KP	Schatzel, J.A.	03/27/26	Jonathan Stamper
Hyde	Jonathan	Quincy	237537	4182	MC	Schatzel, J.A.	03/27/26	Jacob Merrill
Madsen	Jonathan	Vale	237538	4183	WA	Schatzel, J.A.	03/27/26	John Bradford
Black	Michael	Glenn	237539	4184	WA	Schatzel, J.A.	03/27/26	Moses Pullen
Simmons	David	Lee	237540	4185	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	03/27/26	James Luttrell
Welsh	Jameson	Robert	237768	4186	HLJ	Schatzel, J.A.	04/03/26	Frederick Hambright
Robertson	James	M.	237769	4187	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	04/03/26	John Gill+
Miller	Timothy	Ray	238082	4188	MC	Bowman, M.B.	04/24/26	James Graham
Miller	Hayes	Landon	238083	4189	MC	Bowman, M.B.	04/24/26	James Graham
Miller	Seeley	LaRue	283084	4190	MCJ	Bowman, M.B.	04/24/26	James Graham
Hester	Robert	Voyne	101699	4191	WA	r/t from ILSSAR	04/29/26	Abraham Hester
Burke	Chadwick	Hutton	238393	4192	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	05/08/26	Peter Wheeler
Burke	Bradley	Robert	238394	4193	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	05/08/26	Peter Wheeler
Burke	Jeffrey	John	238395	4194	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	05/08/26	Peter Wheeler
Sauvage	Marquis	Ward	238396	4195	BN	Stull, M.W.	05/08/26	Benjamin Chubbuck
Sauvage	Liam	Patrick	238397	4195	BN	Stull, M.W.	05/08/26	Benjamin Chubbuck
Sauvage	Gannon	Ward	238398	4197	BN	Stull, M.W.	05/08/26	Benjamin Chubbuck
Wigington	John	Rankin	238399	4198	SP	Hulse, B.A.	05/08/26	Thomas Rankin
Jones	William	Joseph	238400	4199	SP	Hanna, G.A.	05/08/26	Basil Darby
Harding	Jeremy	Lane	238510	4200	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	05/15/26	Lawrence Raines
Hartsock	Eric	Wayne	238581	4201	SP	Schatzel, J.A.	05/15/26	Josiah Records
Hart	David	Scott	238582	4202	MC	Schatzel, J.A.	05/15/26	Benjamin Hart
Wright	Benjamin	Andrew	238583	4203	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	05/15/26	Richard Wright, Sr.
Wright	Ethan	Addlie	238584	4204	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	05/15/26	Richard Wright, Sr.
Lee	Justin	Williams	238634	4205	CR	Grassl, P.O.	05/22/26	Dudley Currier
Davis	Clifford	Charles	238635	4206	TJ	Schatzel, J.A.	05/22/26	Moses Barnard
Schilling	James	Alan	238636	4207	CR	Grassl, P.O.	05/22/26	Isaac Nichols
Schilling	John	Michael, II	238637	4208	CR	Grassl, P.O.	05/22/26	Isaac Nichols
Orner	Everett	Bruce	238638	4209	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	05/22/26	Thomas Trimble
Orner	Sean	Christopher	238639	4210	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	05/22/26	Thomas Trimble
Porter	Jason	Stuart	238640	4211	MC	Bowman, M.B.	05/22/26	Joseph Barnes
Porter	Harrison	Frank	238641	4212	MC	Bowman, M.B.	05/22/26	Joseph Barnes
Lockwood	Theodore	Eugene, II	238642	4213	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	05/22/26	Josiah Burleigh
Hoskinson	Patrick	Dayne	238643	4214	WA	Schatzel, J.A.	05/22/26	Rufus Putnam
Holzhueter	David	Samuel Joseph	238644	4215	HL	Schatzel, J.A.	05/22/26	David Gilliland
Grassl	Carl	Winford	238708	4216	CR	Grassl, P.O.	05/29/26	Boomer Jenks

Dowell	Floyd	Ercell	238784	4217	KP	Naughton, G.I.	07/04/26	Josiah Kerby
May	Michael	Andrew	238891	4218	SP	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	Jacinto Delgado
Benningfield	Brook	Bradford	238892	4219	FS	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	Charles Duvall
McGlothlin	William	Wayne	239138	4220	WA	Warne, J.L.	07/04/26	Jacob McLaughlin
Crow	Doug	Wayne	239139	4221	WA	Warne, J.L.	07/04/26	James Knowles
Malcolm	Eugene	Glenn, Jr.	239391	4222	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	James Coffey
Malcolm	Grant	Bingham	239392	4223	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	James Coffey
Malcolm	Taylor	Coffey	239393	4224	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	James Coffey
Peck	Eli	Nathaniel	239394	4225	HLJ	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	Gustavus Rape
Peck	Ian	Christopher	239395	4226	HLJ	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	Gustavus Rape
Llewellyn	Matthew	Paul	239396	4227	CR	Grassl, P.O.	07/04/26	Matthew Marable
Riggs	Jerry	Keith	239397	4228	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	Daniel McCarty
Breazeale	Benjamin	David Hagues	239398	4229	DX	Schatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	Dennis O'Briant
Ostrander	Lauren	E.	239399	4230	MC	Scatzel, J.A.	07/04/26	Jonathan Butler+
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Supplementals

<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>NSSAR</i>	<i>Ks</i>	<i>Ch</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>
Hicks	Gary	LeRoy	209861	3462	DX	10/10/25	Ledstone Noland
Nance	Christopher	Ryan	180656	3703	WA	01/23/26	John Brooks
DeWinkler	Fred	Thomas	212865	3548	TJ	03/13/26	John Metcalf, Sr.

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Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch	Member	Died
Sjolin	Robert	Wakelee	128036	1742		1986	09/30/20<
Posey	Marvin	Neel, Jr.	128819	1759		1987	02/22/21<
Leach	David	Alexander	137103	1918		1991	05/16/21*
Puff	Jon	Konrad	125412	1629		1985	10/08/21*
McHenry	Gerrit	Lloyd	202979	3276		2017	10/14/21*
Hanks	Warren	Lee	186979	2956	MC	2013	12/30/21
Seacat	David Brian	Hagenloh	175913	2731		2010	01/28/22*
Stoddard	Peter	White	147544	2095		1997	05/10/24<
Bellora	Russ	Riley	189354	2984	WA	2013	08/ /22
Kaegi	Grant	Wayne	161750	2386		2003	08/31/24*

Treu	William	Douglas	190854	3007		2014	01/01/25<
Davis	William	Jan	178083	2780		2010	02/26/25<
Elofson	Frederick	Newberry	129999	1776		1987	07/11/25<
Hillmer	Walter	Knox	144798	2051	TJ	1995	07/15/25
Bresnick	Brian	Ira	194762	3101	DX	2015	07/19/25
Page	Timothy	Paul	171941	2649		2008	08/16/25*
Forbes	Daniel	Hall, Jr.	106050	1049		1974	09/27/25*
Boyer	Alfred	Lee	215232	3647		2020	10/18/25*
Hayes	Keith	Quentin	167836	2525		2006	10/24/25*
Lippert	Thomas	Eugene	200036	3924	MC	2016	10/30/25
Landman	Erroll	Dean	191786	3023	TJ	2014	11/07/25
Schneider	Richard	John	151158	2158		1998	11/16/25*
Deatrick	Thomas	Browning	91479	853	MAL	1964	12/16/25
St. John	David	LaRue	147456	2094		1997	12/29/25<
Walker	Jack	Ellsworth	214151	3605	HL	2019	12/31/25
Hiebert	John	Blake	110763	1162		1976	01/05/26*
Purinton	Lew	Wallace	145598	2066		1995	01/17/26*
Patrick	Presley	Eugene	121821	1509		1983	01/25/26*
Gray	Darwin	Leon	206526	3363	BN	2018	01/26/26
Proffitt	David	Allen	222089	3854	DX	2022	01/31/26
Chambers	Francis	Frederick	214974	3646	MC	2020	02/14/26
Toland	Beldon	Junior	236963	4172	HL	2026	08/02/68+
Toland	Wayne	A.	236964	4173	HL	2026	02/11/72+
Toland	Bernard	Beldon	236962	4171	HL	2026	04/28/73+
Winger	Dwight	Eugene	235466	4148	SP	2025	10/15/06+
Robertson	James	M.	237769	4187	DX	2026	03/29/11+
Toland	Edward		236965	4174	HL	2026	08/29/13+
Deer	John	Michael	107432	1056		1974	12/25/22*
Hanna	Gary	John	121818	1506	KP	1983	04/15/25
Wolfe	David	William	107878	1077	DX	1974	11/03/25
Gibbs	Thomas	Patrick	201203	3238	MC	2017	01/16/26
Garwood	Jan	Dierks	122978	1538		1983	02/06/26*
King	Michael	Wayne	232075	4091	MC	2024	02/27/26
Jensen	Robert	Julius, Jr.	126776	1698		1985	04/01/26*
Foreman	Charles	Eugene	174933	2723	MAL	2009	04/05/26
Wright	Stephen	Franklin	215701	3671	HL	2020	04/05/26
Matter	Darryl	Edgar	119772	1431	MAL	1982	04/09/26

Davis	Cameron	Eldrege	227175	4003	HL	2023	04/22/26
Hale	Dennis	Gene	183070	2890		2012	04/26/26*
Ostrander	Lauren	E.	239399	4230	MC	2026	10/19/17+
Steinke	Jeffrey	Jay	158245	2310		2002	02/12/26*
Bayles	Russell	Scott	135485	1898		1990	03/07/26*
Burg	Matthew	Hughes	119992	1439		1982	03/17/26*
Kirby	Dennis	Michael	159497	2331		2002	03/17/26*
Hite	Gregory	Dean	228124	4027	LB	2023	05/05/26

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Final Thought



As the world came to the United States to celebrate and enjoy the FIFA World Cup, one thing became clear, everyone who visited from other parts of the world were welcomed with open arms, they commented on the amazing hospitality they experienced all across the country. Most were not expecting to find a welcoming and friendly America. The things we take for granted, free drink refills for instance, were unheard of and astonished our visitors.

Many commented on the sense of freedom, patriotism and pride they found everywhere they went. America's greatness was on display for the world, and the world loved it.

Our country is rarely unified and political and social divisions are obvious to our eyes. But our visitors didn't focus on the differences, they focused on the similarities and what unites us.

In this 250th year of the greatest country to ever exist, let us follow the example of those who came here as visitors for the first time and focus on the all the thing that untie us and make this country great.

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