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Next Meeting – Saturday, February 21st @ 10:30 a.m.

At the Druid Hills Golf Club 740 Clifton Road Atlanta, GA 30307

2026 Annual George Washington Birthday Celebration, Meeting & Luncheon

Advance reservations are required, check email for registration form. Must be received no later than February 14th

Remember those soda can tabs for donation to the Atlanta Ronald McDonald House; magazines and toiletries for veterans at the VA Hospital; paperback books for the USO. A drop-off point at the table next to the registration table is set up to receive your donations.

January Chapter Meeting

"The General Engagement"

At Kettle Creek Georgia, February 14, 1779



The Atlanta Chapter's January speaker was **Dr. David Noble** (photo left) who presented two newly authored books. The first, *"The General Engagement" at Kettle Creek, Georgia, February 14, 1779*, guides readers through the engagement at the Kettle Creek Battlefield, supported by archaeological evidence as well as an analysis of the military and political results of the battle.

Dr. Noble's second book, *138 Revolutionary War Forts in Georgia: A Guide to Location, Size, and Militia Present*, serves as a comprehensive reference detailing the locations, sizes, and associated militia units of 138 documented Revolutionary War-era forts across Georgia, along with their historical sources.

The end of January saw numerous events across the Southeast canceled due to inclement weather. February, however, will provide many opportunities for Atlanta Chapter members to participate in Georgia Society events. Activities begin on **February 6** with the **Georgia Annual Conference**, followed the next weekend by the **Battle of Kettle Creek Celebrations**, to be held **February 13–15** in Washington, Georgia. The celebration will kick off on Friday with **Heroes of the Hornets' Nest Commemoration** at **Elijah Clark State Park** near Lincolnton on the 13th.

We encourage and welcome your participation!

Members are also reminded that on Saturday, Feb. 21, the Atlanta Chapter will host its 2026 Annual George Washington Birthday Celebration, Meeting, & Luncheon. **Advance reservations are required, and the payment form and instructions have been sent via email. If you have not received the payment form, please check your spam or junk folder, or contact us through our website @ www.saratlanta.org**



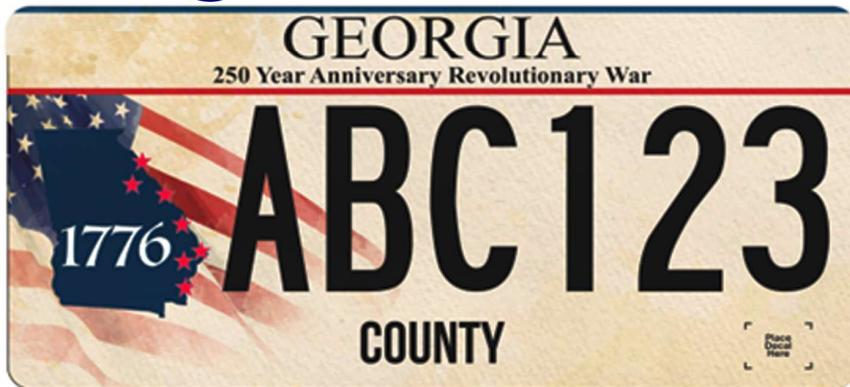
Calendar of Events 2026



From the GASSAR Hornet's Nest

Event	Location	Date	Status
Georgia Annual Conference	Hilton Atlanta NE, 5993 Peachtree Ind. Blvd, Peachtree Corners, GA	Feb 6-7, 2026	State
Heroes of the Hornet's Nest	Elijah Clark St. Park	Feb. 13, 2026	State
Kettle Creek	Washington Square & War Hill Park	Feb 14, 2026	National
Atlanta Chapter George Washington Birthday Celebration	Druid Hills Golf Club Advance Reservations Required	Feb. 21, 2026	Chapter
Vann's Creek	Bobby Brown State Park	Feb 21, 2026	State
247th Anniversary Battle of Brier Creek	Brier Creek Historic Preservation Site	Feb 28, 2026	State
Spring Leadership	The Galt Hotel Louisville, KY	Mar 5 - 7, 2026	National
Battle of Thomas Creek	Seaton Creek Historic Preserve Park	Mar 28, 2026	National
Patriots Day	Various	Apr 19, 2026	National
Frederica Naval Engagement	St. Simons Island	Apr 18 - 19, 2026 (TBD)	National
Memorial Day	Various	May 25, 2026	National
Independence Day	Various	Jul 4, 2026	National
136th Congress	Greensboro, NC	July 10-16, 2026	National

250th Tags are now Available



Georgia now has a special license plate to commemorate the United States' 250th anniversary from 2026 through 2030. The design was selected from submissions by Georgia middle school students. The bill authorizing the license plate specifies that it will be in addition to the regular license plates and will be available from January 1, 2026. For this tag there are no additional fees, unless you want to get one before your normal renewal.

Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Annual Conference



February 6 & 7, 2026



**Hilton Atlanta Northeast
5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd.,
Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30092-3416
Phone: 770-447-4747**

There are two ways to register for the annual conference.

Register Online & Pay Online @ <https://gasocietysar.org/>

Registering by USPS Link: <https://gasocietysar.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/REGISTRATION-FORM-2026.pdf>

Schedule of Events – Friday, February 6th:

12:00-5:30 pm	Registration
1:00-2:30 pm	Program TDA
3:00-4:30 pm	Program TDA
6:00 pm	Reception (Card/Cash Bar)
7:00 pm	Member Awards Banquet (Members & Guests) (Black Tie, Business Suit, Uniform/Kilt)

Schedule of Events – Saturday, February 7th:

8:00 – 8:20 am	Late Registration
8:30 am	Memorial Service (Members & Guests)
9:15 am	Winter Board of Managers Meeting (Members)
9:15-10:00 am	Ladies' Program
10:15-11:00 am	Ladies Auxiliary Annual Meeting
10:45 am	Annual Meeting: GA Society Election of Officers (ALL Registered Members Vote!)
11:45 am	Chapter and Youth Awards Luncheon & Installation of 2026 Officers (Members and guests) (Business Suit, Uniform or Kilt)

**Rooms: \$149 plus taxes (Rate guaranteed through January 21, 2025).
You may also call the hotel to make your reservation.**



BATTLE OF KETTLE CREEK

LIVING HISTORY ENCAMPMENT

13-15 FEBRUARY 2026

CALLAWAY HISTORIC SITE

2160 LEXINGTON RD. WASHINGTON, GA

Come be apart of history we are seeking
REENACTORS, LIVING HISTORIANS AND
HISTORIC SUTLERS

CONTACT 706-990-3159

RRENO@WGA.GOV

FOR REGISTRATION LINK AND MORE INFORMATION

Take Notice

247th Anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek Revolutionary Days

A National Society SAR Historic Sites & Celebrations Event
Sponsored by the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution
www.GaSocietySAR.org

Friday – February 13, 2026

Elijah Clark State Park – 2959 McCormick Highway, Lincolnton, GA 30817

10:00 AM – Kick off at the restored cabin and Elijah Clark Museum with a variety of demonstrations on colonial lifestyle, colonial attire, a Traveling Trunk display, and cannon and musket demonstrations. Fourth grade classes from Lincoln County Elementary School will rotate through each station.

12:00 P.M. - A free indoor chili cookout and dessert buffet at noon will be served compliments of the Elijah Clark State Park, Lincoln County Historical Society, Chapters of Georgia Society SAR and the Elijah Clarke Chapter NSDAR. After lunch, the featured program will be a Sons of the American Revolution Grave Marking Ceremony for Col. John Dooly of the Wilkes County GA Militia. We will dedicate the new Dooly cenotaph beside the grave of Elijah and Hannah Clarke.

1:00 PM – Please arrive for the Grave Marking Ceremony Wreath Presentation Check-in.

1:30 P.M. – Col John Dooly grave marking ceremony beside Elijah Clarke’s grave. Regional color guard and militia units will combine to bring pomp and circumstance to the occasion.

Park entry fees will be waived for attendees. www.GaStateParks.org/ElijahClark

Kettle Creek Battlefield, War Hill Road, Washington, GA 30673

Take a self-guided walking tour of the Kettle Creek Battlefield site and enjoy the marked trails and interpretive signs. The ceremony at the site is scheduled for Saturday at 2:30 PM.

Washington, GA 30673

If you have available time, consider visiting the Washington Historical Museum and the Robert Toombs House to enjoy 18th century history and Battlefield Relics. For more information visit – www.washingtonwilkes.org

The **Kettle Creek Battlefield Association, Inc. (KCBA)**, Georgia Society SAR and Kettle Creek NSDAR will host a dinner and Revolutionary War program in honor of the Kettle Creek Patriots. Reservations are required and are to be made directly with KCBA.

5:00 P.M. – Reception & Cash Bar

6:00 P.M. – Dinner

Please see the Friday Dinner Invitation. The event is hosted at the Washington Wilkes Country Club, 300 Country Club Drive, Washington, GA 30673. Dinner Reservation due by January 31, 2026 – KCBA, PO Box 729, Washington, GA 30673 - \$45.00 per individual

KCBA’s website is – www.kettlecreekbattlefield.com (Do not use the .org site)

Saturday Morning – February 14th, 2026

A National Society SAR Historic Sites & Celebrations Committee Event Washington Square in Historic Downtown Washington, GA 30673

9:50 A.M. – The Georgia Society SAR Elijah Clarke Militia Honor Guard with Musket Salutes will raise the 1776 Colors of the Revolutionary War on the Wilkes County Courthouse Flagpole.

9:50 A.M. –12 Noon – Come experience Revolutionary Living History including demonstrations and performers. Located just off the square in the Court Street Livery (16 W Court Street, Washington, GA) Look for the SAR Living History building signs.

10:10 A.M. – The Georgia Society SAR combined Color Guard & Militia will gather at the Revolutionary War monument on the Washington City Square to Salute and Honor the ***Wilkes County Militia – (the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest)*** and all Revolutionary War Patriots.

10:30 A.M. – Color Guard and parade participants gather behind the Courthouse for the assembly of the Revolutionary War Parade — ALL the public (Children & Grownups) are welcome to participate in the event as our National Colors and re-enactors lead us around Washington Square. **Parade STARTS at 10:45 A.M.**

10:45 A.M. – The parade will start and will march two complete times around Washington Square and will end behind the courthouse at Fort Washington Park.

11:15 A.M. – Georgia Society SAR Elijah Clarke Militia and other re-enactors with black-powder muskets will present a dramatic portrayal of the Battle of Kettle Creek in Fort Washington Park behind the Wilkes County Courthouse.

12:00 P.M. – The Georgia Society SAR Color Guard--Elijah Clarke Militia and others, will present arms and fire a thunderous musket salute as the Revolutionary War Colors are lowered and our Present-day National Colors are raised on the Wilkes County Courthouse Flagpole.

Saturday Afternoon – February 14th, 2026

A National Society SAR Historic Sites & Celebrations Event continues

Kettle Creek Battlefield, War Hill Road, Washington, GA 30673

2:30 P.M. – Pageantry at the Kettle Creek Battlefield includes, Continental Army, Georgia Militia, Musket volley salutes, Wreath Presentations, SAR/DAR/CAR, Hereditary Organizations, Local, State & National officials, High School JROTC, students and public, place wreaths to honor the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest -- the Wilkes County Militia for their 1779 Victory at Kettle Creek.

In the event of inclement weather this event will be held in the Washington-Wilkes Recreation Department Gym. Check for updates:

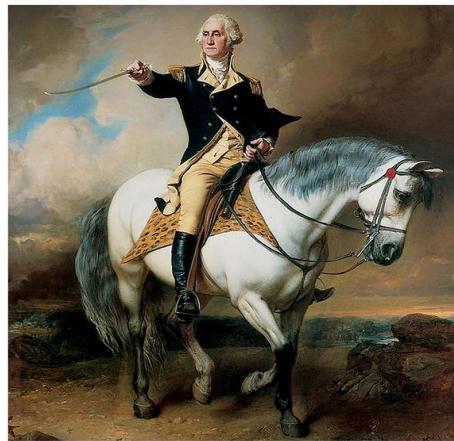
<https://gasociety sar.org/event/national-commemoration-of-the-battle-of-kettle-creek-events-in-washington-ga/>

All items subject to change – updates will appear on the Georgia Society SAR website under the Calendar of Events.

<https://gasociety sar.org/gassarevents/>

The Sons of the American Revolution Atlanta Chapter Board of Managers

cordially invites you and your family to attend our
**2026 Annual George Washington Birthday
Celebration, Meeting & Luncheon**



Druid Hills Golf Club
740 Clifton Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30307

10:30 a.m., Saturday, February 21, 2026
Join us in celebrating a successful year!

In 2026 we will continue honoring our patriot ancestors and family heritage, promoting patriotism, recognizing Veterans, and encouraging education of the people, places and events of the Revolutionary War.

Meet GASSAR President William “Bill” Tankersley and hear highlights of awards received by the Atlanta Chapter from the Georgia Society SAR. National Society & Chapter member awards will be presented along with recognition of 2025 officers. New members will be inducted and officers installed for the 2026 year ahead.

Advance reservations are required and must be postmarked no later than February 14th

Mailing information has been sent out, check your email

Note that the regularly scheduled chapter meeting will not be held on the second Thursday in February and the start time of this annual meeting is earlier.
Social at 10:30 a.m. with the program starting at 11 a.m.

Business suit, sport coat, or military uniform is required attire for gentlemen at this facility.



The 15th Annual Battle of Vann's Creek Ceremony



Save the Date

11 a.m. Saturday February, 21, 2026

**Danny Guthrie Pavilion at Bobby Brown Park
2509 Bobby Brown State Park Rd. Elberton, Ga 30635**

The Samuel Elbert Chapter GASSAR invites the GASSAR, NSDAR, CAR and general public to attend a Revolutionary Ceremony in honor the Battle of Vann's Creek

Wreath Presenters:

**Register by February 16, 2026 to be printed in the program.
RSVP to present a wreath.**

**Note: Send this to Russell Terrell 706-491-2714 or
samuelbertsar.rbt@gmail.com rbterrell58@gmail.com**

**Directions from Elberton at GA Hwy 17/GA Hwy 72 and Oliver Street
Go South on Hwy 17/72 2.0 miles, turn left on GA-72 East, Go 12.2 miles
then turn Right on Bobby Brown State Park Road go 7.1 miles to the
Bobby Brown Park entrance.**

Tell the attendant you are with our ceremony.

The address is for the entrance.

We will have SAR signs at the entrance and each turn.

More details to come!

**BRIER CREEK CHAPTER GASSAR
WIREGRASS CHAPTER GASSAR
GOV. DAVID EMANUEL - ADAM BRINSON CHAPTER NSDAR**

invite you to attend the

**247th ANNIVERSARY OF THE
BATTLE OF BRIER CREEK
A National SAR Event**

Saturday, February 28th, at 11:00 a.m.
Brier Creek Battlefield and Memorial Site

**Patriot Grave Marking
Dedication of 2.5 mile Walking Trail**

Google maps to Brier Creek Battlefield or set GPS to
Tuckahoe Wildlife Management Area
then down Brannen's Bridge Road for $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
Screven County, Georgia

SAR, DAR, C.A.R., other patriotic and lineage societies, chapters,
and the general public are invited to the 247th Anniversary of the
Battle of Brier Creek. Continental, military, and period attire is encouraged.

To participate in the Wreath Presentation, please complete and return the
registration form no later than Friday, February 20, 2026, to assure
listing in the Ceremony Program.

247th ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF BRIER CREEK

Saturday, February 28, 2026

NATIONAL EVENT

Wreath Registration

Name of Wreath Presenter _____

Organization _____

Office or Title of Presenter _____

Email address _____

Will you participate in the Color Guard

Musket Firing

Please complete and mail by Friday, February 20, 2026, to assure listing in the Ceremony Program.

Mail to: Jane Durden, PO Box 478, Swainsboro, GA 30401-0478

Email: hsdurden@bellsouth.net



250th Anniversary of the American Revolution Recognition Program

National Society, Sons of the American Revolution



The recognition program is designed to encourage and recognize those compatriots, chapters and societies that participate in local, state, national and international events which publicly educate, and recognize, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the period surrounding the American Revolution. Participation involves the planning and execution of these events, as well as attendance. The medal covers any event celebrating and promoting the 250th Anniversary. This therefore will cover any public events celebrating and promoting the 250th Anniversary in the period from 2014 to 2033. Forms may be submitted for multiple years. Scorekeeping is the responsibility of each compatriot and awarding authority. The awarding authority for each medal is as follows. The Bronze Medal is authorized and recorded by the local chapter. The Silver Medal is Authorized and recorded by the state society. The Gold Medal only is authorized and recorded by the NSSAR 250th Anniversary Committee. **Only Gold Medal applications should be submitted to the NSSAR 250th Anniversary Committee using the email address below:**

PLEASE SUBMIT TO: 250AnniversaryRecognition@sar.org.

Upon approval of the Gold Medal an email will be sent to the individual authorizing them to purchase the 250th Anniversary Gold Medal from merchandising.



➤ **Awards are based on activity and the awarding of points for each type of activity:**

- Directing, chairing or co-chairing an event or sub-committee for the duration of the event. (20 points)
- Participation in the planning, financing, promotion or conduct of an event other than directing, chairing, or co-chairing an event. Those that do direct, chair or co-chair an event and also serve as a regular member of a committee or sub-committee in a non-leadership role, may also earn points. (10 points)
- Attending an Event (3 points)
- Attending an event in Colonial Attire (5 points)

Points are cumulative. The maximum points that can be awarded for any one event is 28 points.

➤ **SAR Members may be awarded the Medals for achieving the following levels:**

- Bronze Medal: 25 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state.
- Silver Medal: 60 promotion points as certified by his state society.
- Gold Medal: 150 promotion points as certified by the NSSAR 250th Anniversary Committee.

➤ **Non-SAR members may also be awarded these medals:**

- The chapter may present bronze awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the state or national society for higher recognition.
- The state and district may present silver awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the national society for higher recognition.
- The national society may present gold awards to its Partners in Patriotism.

➤ **Streamer.** Streamers are available for chapters, state societies and districts to present to Partners in Patriotism for attendance or participation in a 250th Anniversary Event. i.e. Scouting Units, DAR Chapters, etc. They are available for purchase from merchandising at a cost of \$5.00 each.

Name of Candidate:		National Number:	
E-mail:		Phone:	
Type Submission:		Chapter:	
Name of Submitter:		State Society:	
Date Submitted:		Organization Size:	

Event	Position	Possible Points	Committee/ Sub-Committee	Date of Service	Points Earned
	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>20</u>			
	<u>Planning/Non-Leadership</u>	<u>10</u>			
	<u>Attend Event</u>	<u>3</u>			
	<u>Attend in Colonial Attire</u>	<u>5</u>			



Colonel William Candler Chapter, NSDAR

and

Lyman Hall Chapter, GASSAR



Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony Honoring Revolutionary War Patriots

Pvt BEAL BAKER – NC

Pvt WILLIAM H. CLARK – NC

***DAR Marker for wife of Revolutionary War Patriot,
William H. Clark***

RUTH GOODWIN CLARK – NC



Sunday, March 29, 2026 @ 2:00 p.m.
Alta Vista Cemetery
521 Jones Street, Gainesville, GA 30501

Grave Location: 34.28877 -83.83592

Please R.S.V.P. by March 25, 2026 if you plan to lay a wreath.

Email: sidhughes@icloud.com

Mail: Sid Hughes
4118 Brands Court
Braselton, GA 30517-1537



**Colonel William Candler
Chapter, NSDAR**
and
**Lyman Hall Chapter,
GASSAR**



Clark – Baker Grave Marking

Wreath Registration for Sunday, March 29, 2026

**Submit request to participate in the Wreath Presentation no later than
March 25th, 2026 to assure listing in the Ceremony Program.**

Organization: _____

Name of Presenter: _____

Office or Title of Presenter: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: sidhughes@icloud.com
Email preferred

Mail: Sid Hughes
4118 Brands Court
Braselton, GA 30517-1537



Mark your
calendar

Let's Celebrate our 248th
Anniversary

“FREDERICA NAVAL ACTION”

April 19th - a significant date in the founding of our nation - the “shot heard ‘round the world” at Lexington and Concord in 1775, and capture of British ships in Frederica River in 1778

Saturday, April 18th, 2026

10:00am - Memorial Ceremony – St. Simons Casino

550 Beachview Drive, St. Simons Island - SAR Color Guard with Revolutionary Flags, Patriotic Music, Wreath Presentations, Cannon & Musket Salutes and the Schooner Lynx.

11:30am - Parade of Patriots - St. Simons Village

SAR Color Guard, DAR & SAR, Revolutionary Re-enactors, JROTC Cadets, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Heritage Girls with Revolutionary Flags.

“Wreath and Hotel information will be distributed shortly”



NSSAR Congress 2026

136th SAR ANNUAL CONGRESS

Greensboro, NC

July 10 – 16, 2026



<https://ncssar.org/2026-national-congress/>

The Sons of the American Revolution National Congress is an annual multi-day meeting of members from across the country to conduct business, elect officers, learn, explore, and celebrate the achievements of individuals, State SARs, and Youth Contest Winners. North Carolina SAR is honored to host the 2026 Congress, in the 250th year of the Nation's Independence.

Make plans to attend the 136th SAR Annual Congress to be held at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons—Koury Convention Center, July 10 – 16, 2026, where we will be celebrating our Nation's 250th Birthday!

Come walk in the footsteps of Patriots such as Major General Nathanael Greene and Lt. Colonel "Lighthorse" Harry Lee, where they stood toe to toe against Major General Charles Cornwallis.

Tours are scheduled for Old Salem, Historic Hillsborough, Guilford Courthouse National Military Park and Replacements, Ltd.

There are also five Grave-Marking opportunities planned, marking twenty Patriots. Those are just a few highlights of what to expect. Stay tuned to this page for further updates.

We look forward to seeing you in 2026!

Questions? Reach out to us at ncssar@yahoo.com



HOME REGISTRATION HOTEL SCHEDULE TOURS MERCHANDISE ATTRACTIONS
VOLUNTEER CONTACT US

137TH ANNUAL CONGRESS - 2027

New Orleans, Louisiana
July 9 - 15, 2027

THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT IS HOSTING THE 2027 CONGRESS!



The Southern District states of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee will host the 2027 Congress at the "New Orleans Marriott" located at 555 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130

CHECK BACK AS WE GET CLOSER TO 2027! We will be adding a merchandise link, a list of places to eat, a list of places to visit while you are in New Orleans, a list of scheduled Tours, a link to volunteer to work at the convention, and other information in the near future.

<https://2027congress.com/>

SAR Premium Membership Medal

THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE PRODUCTION OF A HIGH QUALITY REPLICA OF THE ORIGINAL 1890'S TIFFANY STYLE MEMBERSHIP MEDAL. THE NEW MEDAL IS STRUCK IN STERLING SILVER AND PLATED IN GOLD.



SAR Premium Miniature Membership Medal

SAR Premium Cuff Links



SAR Premium Tie Bar/Tack

Please contact the NSSAR Premium Membership Medal Project for a Price list & Order Form: Usina@aol.com

2025 Chapter Officer Directory

Chapter officers to serve February 22, 2025, to February 21, 2026, are as follows:



President
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Registrar
Chancellor
Chaplain
Historian
Sergeant at Arms
Information Technology

Gregory E. Smith
Robert "Al" Adams
Jarvis Bronner
Robert "Al" Adams
Richard Marsh
Joseph H. Blackmon
Mark Bell
John Titus
Ken Thomas
Ben Jetter
Richard Marsh



2025 Atlanta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution Officers

Thank You to Our Atlanta Fellows

The Atlanta Fellows are members, spouses, businesses, and other organizations that support unbudgeted projects of the Atlanta Chapter with a \$200 donation. Such donations have supported our Sacred Soils Displays, Bushnell Monument dedication, VA Hospital Portico Project, and Flag Receptacle Program. Donations toward chapter sponsored events such as Wreaths Across America also credit toward the Atlanta Fellow program.

Atlanta Fellows

Edward Moses Anderson Sr. **2025**

Joe Lewis Anderson Sr.

Ann Hays

Paul Leon Anderson

Bill Hays

G. Kathryn Anderson

Don Renagu

Al Adams

Charles Lord

Bill Armstrong

Katherine Lord

Paul Boshears

Bruce Maney

Stuart Brady

Charlie Maney

Richard K. Brown

Ginny Manning

Sam Chafin

Terry Manning

Philip Clinkscales III

Richard Marsh

Henry Cobb

Barry N. Miller

John Coning

Joy Miller

Ed Conley

Ted McMullan

Phil Curtis

Theodore Mullin

Jim Freeman

Lowrey McNeel

Peggy Freeman

Joe Meyer

Bill Goodman

Charlie Newcomer

Gene Grasser

Alice Noble

Tom Gurley

David Noble

James Hankins

James Noble

Joseph Hankins

Ray Patton

Pat Hankins

Joyce Patton

Loy Reddick

Ed Rigel, Sr.



Joan Rigel

Robert Miller Rogers

Stephen D. Schroeder

Kathleen Ann Schroeder

Stephen D. Schroeder III

Korey Matthew Schroeder

Delbert Smith Jr.

William Smith III

Gregory Eugene Smith

Ben Statham

Penn Templeman

John Titus

Bruce D. Wanamaker

Eugene Wilson

Mary Wilson

Richard Dean Williams

Elizabeth Kearsley Wysong

George Kearsley Wysong III

Veterans Respect Activities

Our chapter has donated close to \$ 6,000.00 to the VA since this project began in early 2019 to purchase VA Canteen Coupon Books which patients can use in the canteen, coffee shop or cafeteria at the VAH, Decatur. These books will be distributed by the VA Volunteer Service at the hospital. **At each meeting there will be a jar marked "\$ for VA Canteen Coupon Books" to accept donations. Please look for it and contribute a dollar (or more).**

The role of the Veterans Respect Committee is to pursue opportunities to honor and recognize current service members and veterans of past service. A wide range of activities fall under this charge. Some examples are:

- hours served in the VA Hospital (VAH) Volunteer Service,
- visiting a veteran in a VAH, nursing home or private home,
- donating personal care items to a VAH or nursing home serving veterans,
- donating publications to a VAH,
- organizing an outing for one or more veterans,
- participating in a veteran's funeral as a participant, pallbearer, or attendee,
- attendance at Revolutionary War Veteran's Grave Marking,
- participating in placing flags or wreaths on veteran's graves.

We are aware that many of our Atlanta Chapter members have been involved in such activities, but we do not know the extent. We would like to gather information on such efforts. If you have been involved in any such activities since January 1, 2025, please report the details to our Chaplain John Titus.

