

Find a Grave—Revised Guidelines April 2021!

Last year we reported on the Kennesaw Mountain Chapter in Georgia and their unique and innovative way to celebrate “Our Patriots” by creating an icon to post on *Find a Grave* with the DAR logo stating “Here lies an American Patriot.” Since then, we have learned that *Find a Grave* has new requirements which do not allow us to use the DAR logo for posting “Our Patriots” information on their website. Please remove any that have already been posted and replace those with the information included below. We have created new DAR-endorsed templates for all chapters to use in marking DAR Patriots in *Find a Grave*.

Here are the revised how-to’s for honoring your Patriots on the *Find a Grave* website.

- 1) Create an excel spreadsheet of chapter member Patriots, using the verified information in the GRS.
- 2) Register for a free account on *Find a Grave*. Contributors must register as members to submit photos, “flowers,” and memorials on the site.
- 3) Search for the name of each chapter Patriot in the *Find A Grave* database. Record which Patriots have memorials and which do not.
- 4) Enter the memorial number in the spreadsheet for each Patriot memorial found on *Find A Grave*.
- 5) Add a column to identify whether the graves show they are officially marked by DAR.
- 6) Challenge the chapter to mark those graves which have not been marked.
- 7) Using “A Patriot’s Legacy” template, fill in the verified information exactly as it appears in the GRS, save it and convert it to a jpg; then in the “Add Photos” section of the *Find a Grave* memorial page, upload the image as an “other” type and include the date of the DAR grave marking, if available, in the photo caption.
- 8) In accordance with the America 250! mission, DAR has selected a new image featuring Betsy Ross with the American flag to use with your chapter name for identifying your Patriots, and it may be added as a “flower” in “My Scrapbook” on the *Find a Grave* website.
- 9) When placing a “flower” on a Patriot’s memorial, be sure to add your chapter information and the Ancestor number in “Leave a note” – we suggest something like “Here Lies an American Patriot! #A123456 Honored by the XYZ Chapter, NSDAR”
- 10) For Patriots without a *Find a Grave* memorial, enter information about each to create a memorial. Add the new *Find a Grave* memorial number to the Patriots spreadsheet. As a member of *Find a Grave*, this task can be accomplished quickly. The process can involve an online search for verified DAR data about each Patriot and photos of tombstones and individual portraits. Once the verified information is compiled, the sources can be included in the memorial postings.

Remember that *Find a Grave* memorials are created and/or maintained by a Memorial Manager, who may make changes to what is posted on the site. Please read the FAQ section on the *Find a Grave* website [FAQ](#), and comply with the information and instructions there. They have helpful tutorials for those who would like to participate in the *Find a Grave* website.

A Patriot's Legacy
As proven in DAR records

Patriot Name: Moses Yell Patriot # 203663

Service: Patriotic Service MD

Residence: Talbot Co, MD

Born: c 1755 / not proven

Died: a 9/17/1817 / Bedford Co, TN

Service Source: Arch of MD, vol 12, pp151-156

Spouse #1: Sarah Works

Spouse #2: Jane Curry

Proven Children: Archibald Anna

[“A Patriot’s Legacy” Fillable Template](#)



[Find A Grave Patriot Project jpeg](#)