



**Tennessee Commission for the United  
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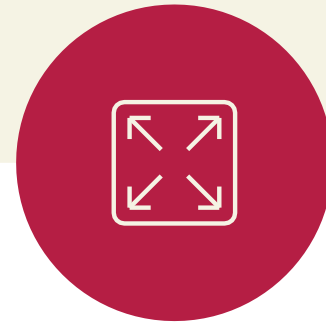
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# Programs:



## Education

- › Teachers Institutes (2025-2027)
- › Teacher Resources



## Community Support Grants

\$2.375M

- › Wide range of initiatives
- › Statewide reach (95 counties)



## Project Support Grants

\$1.125M

- › Archival Support
- › Historic Preservation
- › Exhibitions & Programs



## Signature Programs

- › Commission agencies' high-profile projects and events
- › Tourism potential



# *What is Tennessee America 250*

Tennessee America 250 celebrates and commemorates America's 250th Anniversary by interpreting and preserving the unique Tennessee stories, objects, landmarks, and places that have defined who we are as Tennesseans and Americans.

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Type



keyword



### Alfred Ray (Historical Marker)

Washington County



### Andrew Jackson's Hermitage

Davidson County



### Andrew Johnson National Historic Site

Greene County



### Battle of Island Flats (Historical Marker Only)

Sullivan County



### Bledsoe Fort Historical Park

Sumner County



### Blount Mansion

Knox County



### Bowen Campbell House

Sumner County



### Cannonsburgh Village

Rutherford County



### Cherokee National Forest





**MAY  
2** **American Revolution  
Experience Traveling  
Exhibit**



10AM - 4PM | Various Locations

**SEP  
6** **Genealogy Workshop  
with Renee Hamilton**



10AM - 1PM | The Museum and Cultural  
Center at Five Points | Cleveland

**OCT  
25** **Harvest Days at  
Cannonsburgh Village**



10AM - 4PM | Cannonsburgh Village

**AUG  
14** **Wilson County State Fair  
- Tennessee State Fair |  
Celebrating America  
250**



| James E. Ward Agricultural Center |  
Lebanon

**SEP  
18** **250 Years of Our  
Declaration of  
Independence: A Lecture  
by Dr. Danielle Allen**



6PM | The Spence Wilson Center for  
Interdisciplinary Humanities at Rhodes  
College | Memphis

**JUN  
19** **250th Reenactment**



| Historic Ramsey House | Knoxville

**SEP  
5** **Lecture: Mary Patton:  
Gunpowder Maker  
During the  
Revolutionary War**



11AM | Museum & Cultural Center at  
Five Points | Cleveland

**SEP  
25** **OVTa Watauga River  
Crossing**



2PM - 3AM | Sycamore Shoals State  
Historic Park

**JUL  
4** **Celebrating America's  
250th at Nearest Green  
Distillery**



12PM - 11PM | Nearest Green Distillery |  
Shelbyville



Category



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**Tennessee State Museum:  
Tennessee Civics @ You  
Traveling Trunk**



**TNSSAR Patriot Chest**



**TSLA DocsBox: American  
Revolution**



**TSLA Patriot Paths**



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# American Revolution DocsBox



<https://tnsoshistory.com/education-outreach/docsbox>

**American Revolution- Geared toward 8th grade, can be adapted for 4th grade or high school:**

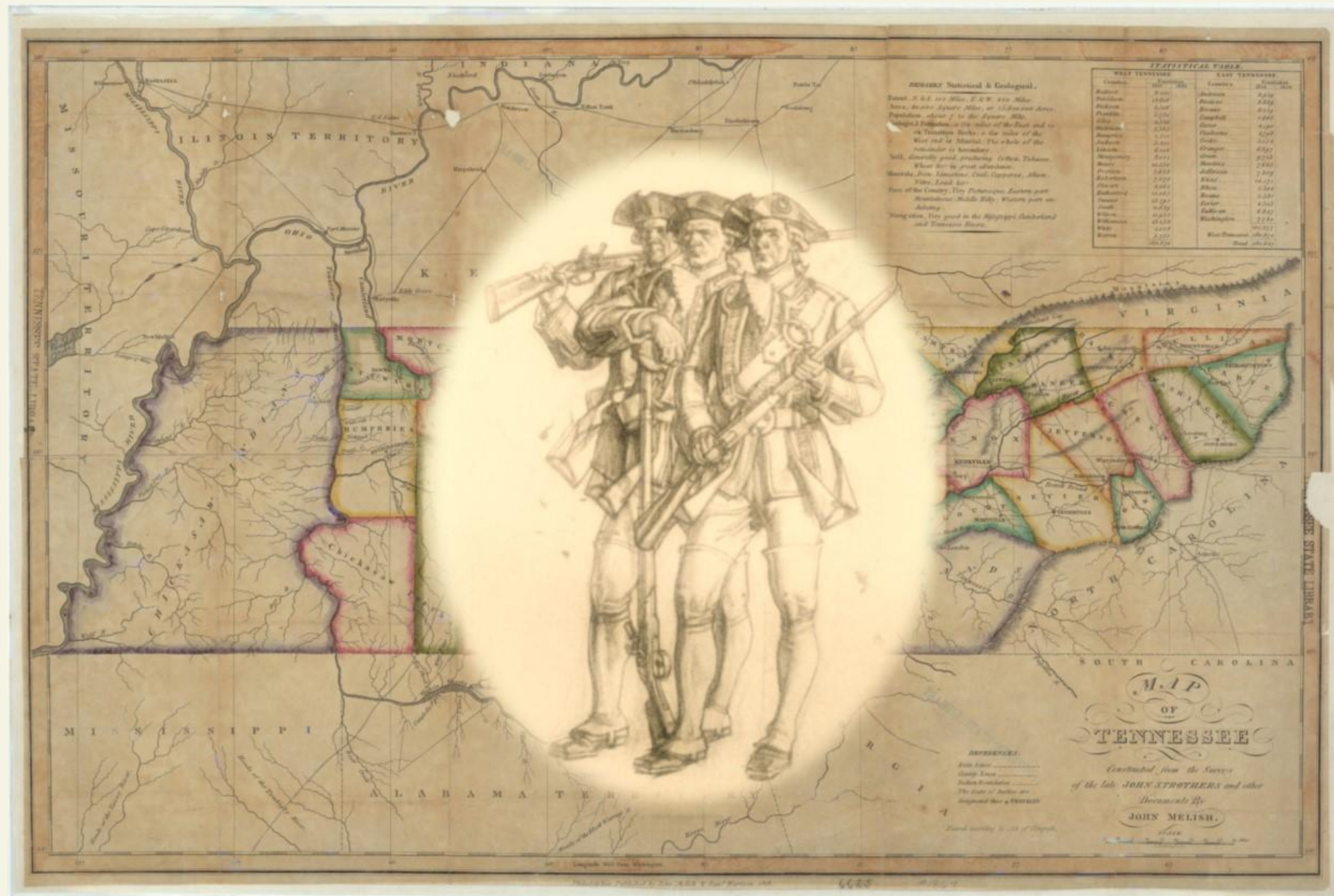
This DocsBox looks at the American Revolution as a whole and its effect on present-day Tennessee. It includes activities related to the Declaration of Independence, women's roles in the war, the battles of Lexington and Concord and the contribution of the Overmountain Men from the Watauga settlement.

Through reproduction items like tea, playing cards, and a powder horn as well as primary sources, students will get an overview of the American Revolution.

## **Included in this DocsBox:**

- Primary Sources for 6 Station Activities
- Teacher's Guide
- Student Worksheets for Copies
- 1 container of tea
- 1 tricorn hat
- 1 powder horn
- 1 set of playing cards
- Role cards, tax cards, and currency cards
- 1 copy of Mumbet's Declaration of Independence
- 1 copy of Thomas Paine and the Dangerous Word

# Patriot Paths



During the week of July 4, 2019, the Library & Archives, along with the state's STS IT Center for Enterprise Data and Analytics, created "Patriot Paths" – a comprehensive mapping and GIS collection that maps the paths of revolutionary era patriots across colonial states and into and through Tennessee.

Using Revolutionary War pension records to map the paths that these soldiers took before and after their service, these files have yielded the dates and places where the soldiers were born, married, enlisted, and died.

That information was added to a database and then coordinated with GIS mapping software. Historians and genealogists can use Patriot Paths to search for veterans and study patterns of migration.

## Patriot Paths

Tennessee State Library and Archives



## Introduction

## Patriot Selector

## Patriot List

## 1832 / Density Maps

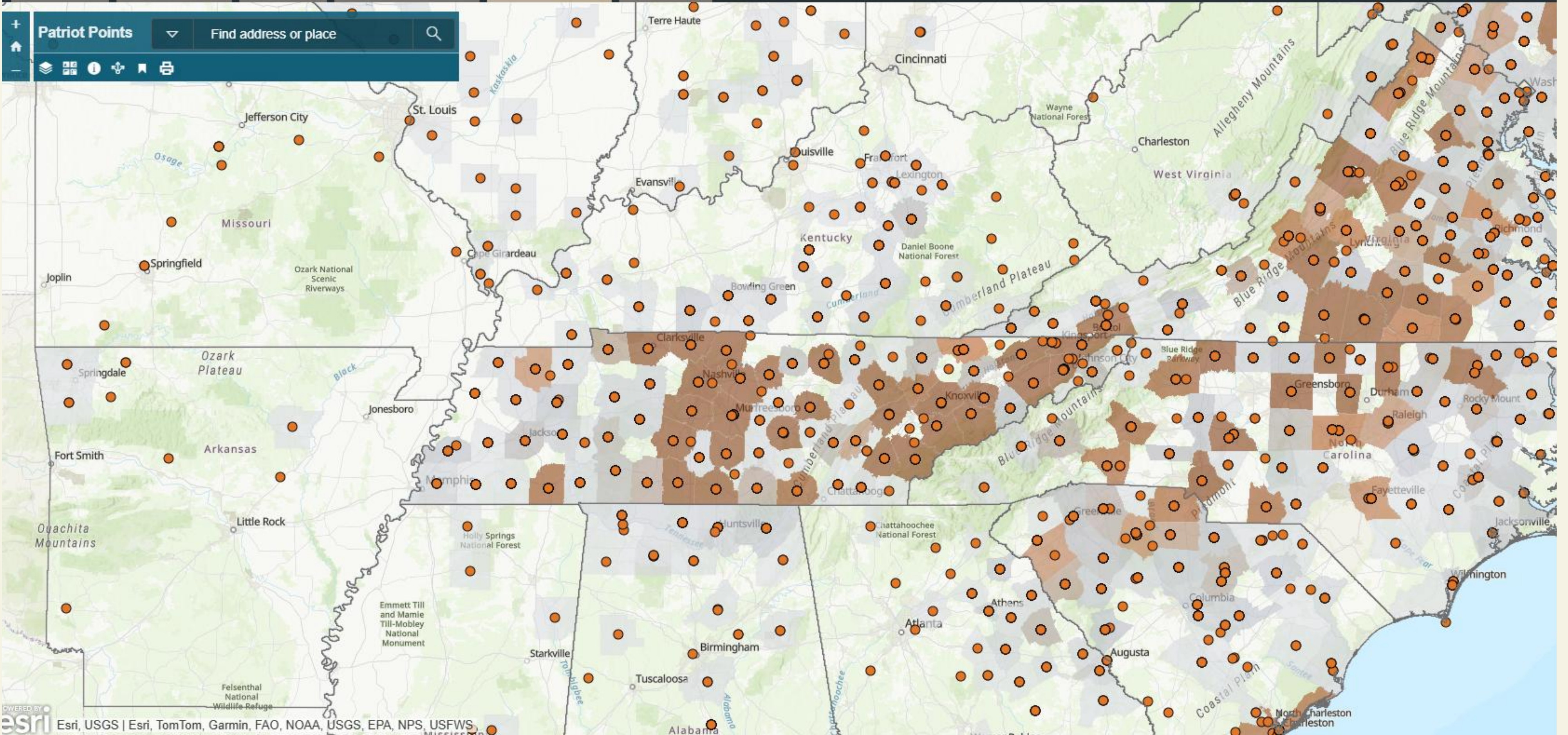
## Patriot Locations


## Enlistments

## Patriot Points



Find address or place



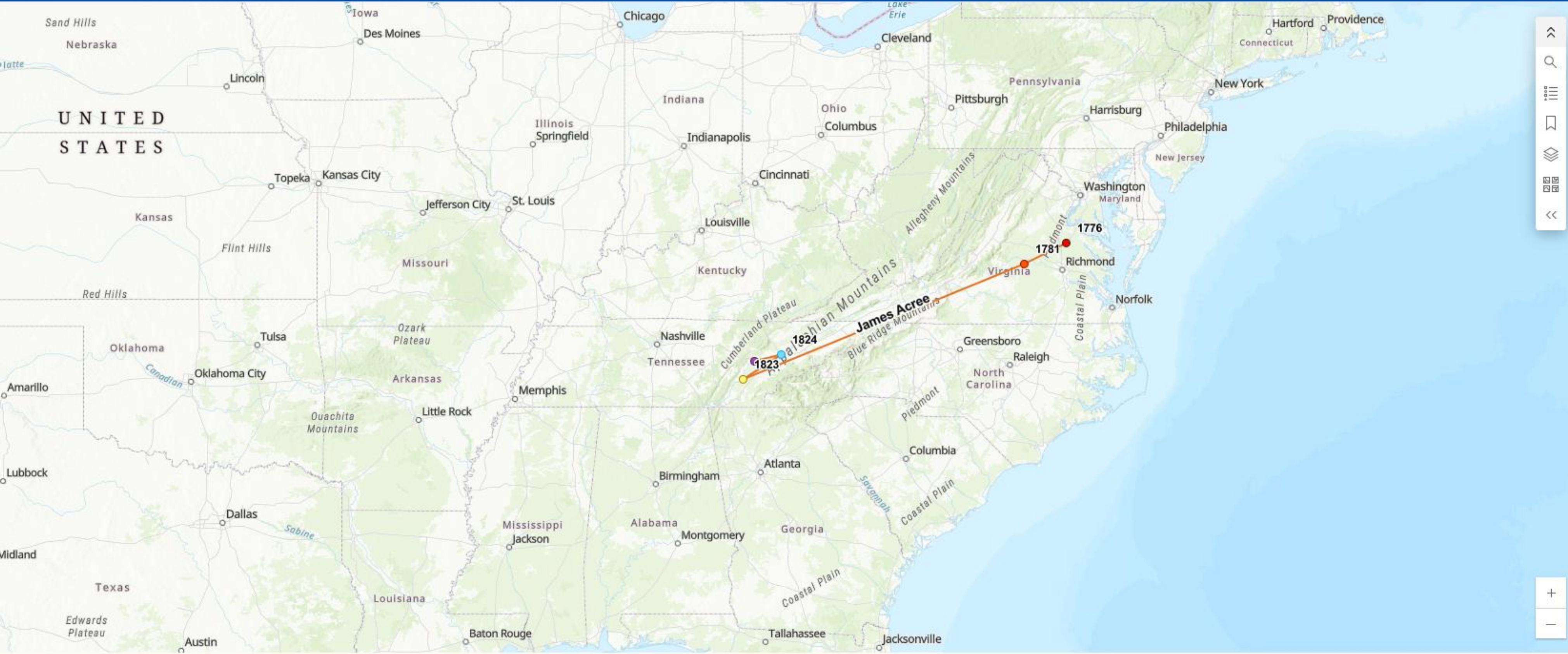
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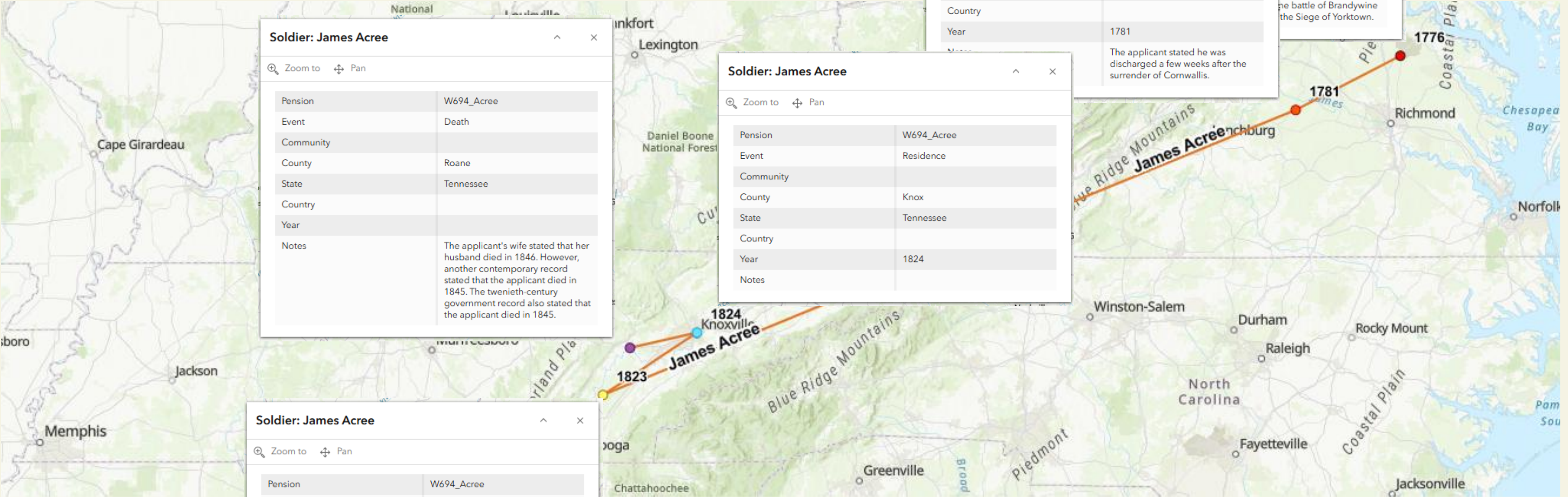


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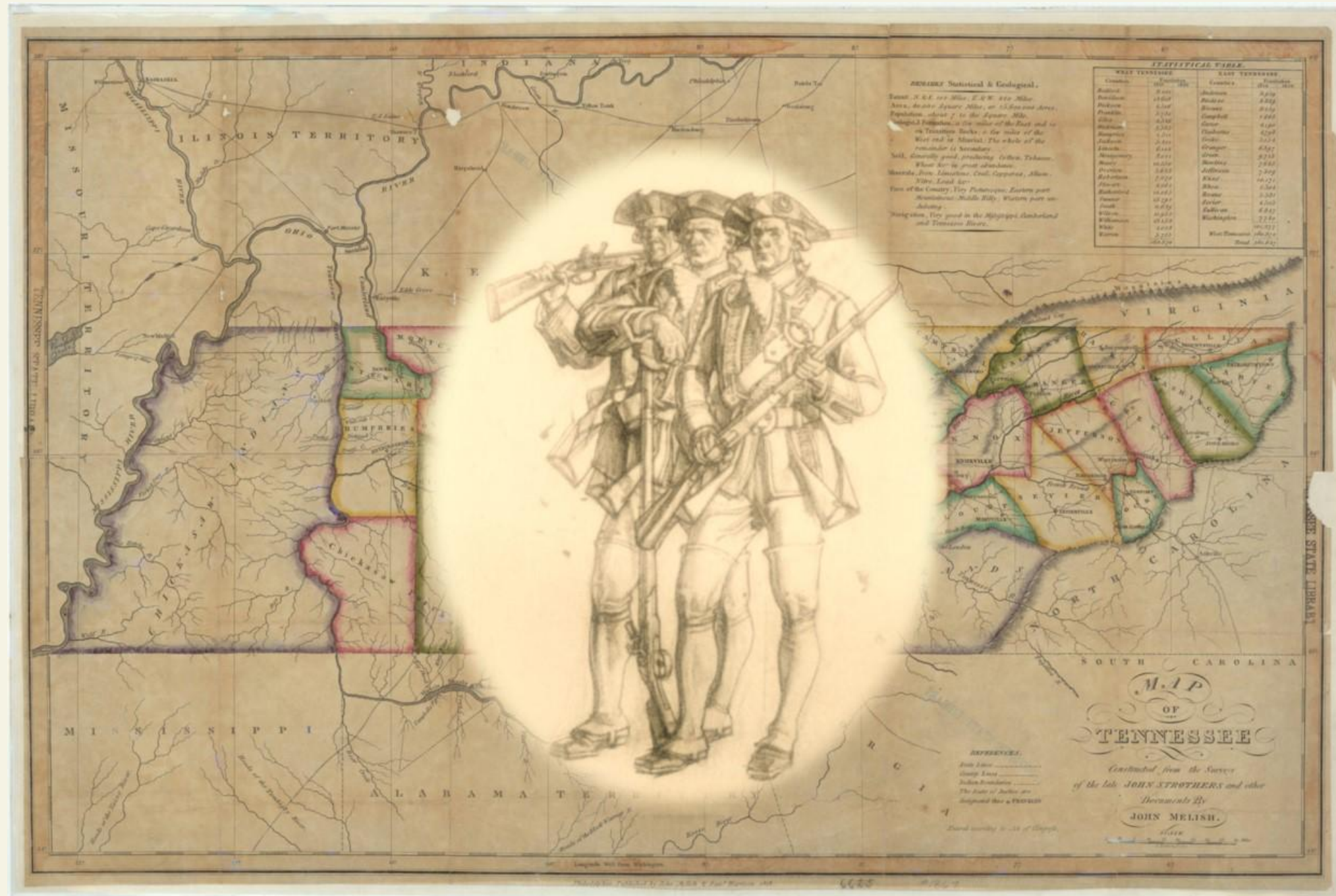
Patriot Selector

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## UPGRADES – as Part of America-250 Initiative

- Requires a much-needed platform update, including but not limited to a mandated update regarding ADA accessibility – this will enhance the functionality of the resource
- Will include more maps with geo-location-enabled features that will better tell the story of these founding patriots and their families
- Will feature three distinct “Story Maps” which will feature a specific patriot in order to showcase the capabilities of the platform
- Will introduce an innovative crowd-sourcing feature that allows members of select groups, such as DAR and SAR, as well as the public eventually, to contribute information about specific patriots – this could include text, letters, photos of gravestones, and more



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# Follow-Up Questions

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