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IN MEMORIAM

Russel Cecil Scott (1925-2018)



Russell Cecil Scott passed away at his residence in Richmond on Friday, February 9, 2018.

Russell was a graduate of St. Christopher's School in Richmond and Cornell University. After release from active service in WWII he entered graduate school at Princeton University, where he received a Master of Science in Engineering degree.

Russell was a veteran of World War II, and was recalled during the Korean War and retired from the U.S. Navy with the rank of Commander.

He was an avid waterman and a dedicated environmentalist for the Chesapeake Bay. During his service with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, he performed many operational missions assisting endangered watermen.

In his retirement, Russell became interested in genealogy and hereditary societies. His memberships included the following Society Memberships; Society of the Cincinnati, Sons of the Revolution (past member of the board of managers of the Virginia Society), Society of Colonial Wars (Governor General of the National Society), Order of First Families of Virginia 1607-1624/5, Order of the Crown of Charlemagne in the United States of America, Order of the Merovingian Dynasty (Founding Member, member of the Advisory Council), Order of the Descendants of Colonial Cavaliers (Founding member, Member of the Advisory Council), **Order of Founders and Patriots of America (Chaplain of the Virginia Society)**, General Society Sons of the Revolution, Jamestowne Society, Military Order of the Stars and Bars, and Honorary member of the Hereditary Society Community (HSC).

Russell was a true southern gentlemen and remained "**Steadfast for God and Country.**"



(left to right)--Secretary Douglas M. Graves, Past Governor Mike Lyman, Genealogist Mike Weyler, and Past Registrar General Jerry Hubbard

On February 24, 2018, the Virginia Society of The OFPA was represented at the 252st *Leedstown Resolutions Commemoration* event hosted by the Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society. The event marked the 11th annual recognition of the Leedstown Resolutions by the Historical Society.

The gala event was held at Ingleside Winery 5872 Leedstown Road Oak Grove (Colonial Beach), VA. Secretary Douglas M. Graves presented the Society wreath and past Registrar General Jerry Hubbard, presented the Order's wreath.



The Virginia Society of the Order of The Founders and Patriots of America (VAOFPA) participated in the wreath laying ceremony to commemorate the 237th Commemoration of the Crossing of the Dan held at The Prizery and Boyd's Ferry in South Boston, Virginia on Saturday February 17, 2018. More than twenty heredity organizations throughout the Commonwealth were present to pay tribute to the patriotic event that took place on February 14, 1781. The crossing of the Dan has been described as a "masterful military maneuver" that would mark the beginning of the defeat of the British by the American Patriots.

Pictured at the conclusion of the wreath-laying ceremony of the Crossing of the Dan are representatives of the Virginia Society and the National Order (left to right): Dr. Mike Weyler, VAOFPA Genealogist; Dr. Dan Warren, OFPA Governor General; Zander Sheffield, VAOFPA Associate; J. Shane Newcombe, VAOFPA Governor; Walter J. Sheffield, VAOFPA Deputy Governor.

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The following information is from a "The Washington Post Friday February 23, 2018 column-
"Retropolis" by Steve Hendrix.

<https://www.pressreader.com/usa/the-washington-post/20180223/282110637092173>

In September 1787, delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia decided to go out and celebrate the drafting of the Constitution. The 55 gentlemen, including George Washington went to a local tavern and consumed:

- 54 bottles of Madeira wine.
- 60 bottles of claret.
- 22 bottles of porter.
- 12 bottles of beer.

Eight bottles of cider and seven large bowls of punch (probably alcoholic.)

They consumed more than 45 gallons of booze, plus they had dinner. They deserved the break from their work, the drafting of our Constitution—A document which has held up so well through the years. I think 55 OFPA Associates should get together and reenact that evening's event. Who will be designated driver, Walt?



Above—VAOFPA Associates Mike Weyler and Doug Graves at James Madison Birthday celebration Friday, March 16, 2018 at Montpelier. Not pictured Jerry Hubbard
A very cold and windy day!

Right—Marine Corps Color Guard from Quantico. The Commandant of Quantico placed a wreath on behalf of the President of the United States. Note-when this ceremony first started years ago it had 23 organizations placing wreaths, now it is up to 34.



2018 Virginia National Guard Awards

On April 28, 2018, VA OFPA Associate Carl Bess Jr. presented ***two*** OFPA National Guard Awards at the 2018 Virginia National Guard Convention in Norfolk, Virginia. This year's awards went to the Air Force National Guard 192d Intelligence Squadron and the US Army National Guard B Company, 1-116th Infantry. Both of the units were chosen by the Virginia National Guard's respective Air and Army commands.

Associate Bess was asked to present these awards along with some brief words at the ***main dinner event*** instead of the much smaller awards ceremony preceding the dinner. ***Quite an impressive gathering!***

From left to right are: CSM Johnson, Command CMSgt Ellis, Col Lobash, Brig Gen Kjellvik, Maj Daniels, VA OFPA Associate Carl Bess Jr, MAJ Nivens, CSM Reed, BG Mercer, and MG Williams (The Adjutant General)



ROTC 2018 Awards

<u>University</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
George Mason University	29 April 2018	Jonathan T. Ricci
VMI Air Force	3 May 2018	Emma R. Noble
VMI Army	30 April 2018	Cadet Colton J. Curry
VMI Navy	27 April 2018	MIDN 1/C Thomas A.M. Schmitt MIDN 1/C Cody James Rioux
James Madison University	25 April 2018	Lauren E. Howl
University of Virginia	20 April 2018	Army Cadet Adam J. Odie Air Force Cadet James C. Corignan Midshipman Joshua E. Thomas
College of William and Mary	18 April 2018	Thomas W. Garcia
Hampton University	19 April 2018	Jada Palmer, MSI Kendall Douglass, MSII Timothy Mason, MSIII Jaila M. Durant, MSIV
University of Richmond	10 April 2018	Sydney E. Baldwin
VA Commonwealth University	10 April 2018	Nathanael E. Plumb
Virginia Tech	15 April 2018	Justin Sweat Luis Rodriguez John Marin Midshipman Simon Eyob

A special thanks to the Virginia Associates who made the presentations.

Michael Weyler, Richmond Raymond, Doug Graves, Jud Mason,
and Carl Bess

A *special thanks* to Taylor Cowardin for managing the ROTC program in Virginia.



Left—Past VAOFPA Governor Taylor Cowardin attended the 260th Birthday Celebration Ceremony for the Fifth President James Monroe. The event was held April 28th, 2018 at the Presidents Circle, Hollywood Cemetery located in Richmond, Virginia. Taylor placed the wreath and gave remarks on behalf of the Virginia Society of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America.

Right—On April 21, 2018, at James Monroe Birthplace and Park, located in Westmoreland Co., Virginia, VAOFPA Genealogist Mike Weyler participated in the celebration by presenting a wreath and gave greeting from VA OFPA. Past VAOFPA Governor Mike Lyman participated in the color guard by carrying and posting the OFPA flag.



Secretary Doug Graves presenting the OFPA JROTC award to Cadet Travis Bowling at Orange County High School on May 3, 2018.

2018 VAOFPA JROTC Presentations

Princess Anne High School	24 May 2018	Kiara Wilson
Culpeper County High School	10 May 2018	Nathan Basore
First Colonial High School	17 May 2018	c/CPO Isabella Farthing
Salem High School	16 May 2018	Mark Vechioni, II
Orange County High School	3 May 2018	Cadet Travis Bowling
Monacan High School	29 May 2018	c/MSGT Ty-Yonne Jones
Deep Run High School	23 May 2018	Cadet Andrew Cawley
Harrisonburg High School	22 May 2018	c/LTC Cecilia Diego-Munor
Lancaster High School	15 May 2018	c/Airman 1st Class Karson Roop
Smithfield High School	23 May 2018	c/SGT Shannon Plumeau
Halifax County High School	11 May 2018	Kaitlyn Puryear
Hopewell High School	27 April 2018	Cadet Samantha Murphy

A **special thanks** to Jerry Hubbard for establishing and managing the JROTC program in Virginia

Ancestor Memorials

Associate-Col. Carl F. Bess, Jr.
Founder-Dr. Patrick Napier
Patriot-Ashford Napier

Associate-A. Brian Cowardin
Founder-Peter Cowardine
Patriot-John Cowardine

Associate-L. Taylor Cowardin
Founder-Peter Cowardine
Patriot-John Cowardine

Associate-Asa Wesley Graves, VI
Founder-Thomas Graves
Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-Douglas M. Graves
Founder-Thomas Graves
Patriot-John Graves
Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-Marks H. Elder
Founder-Robert Abernathy
Patriot-John Abernathy

Associate-Liam Jackson Hubbard
Founder-George Hubbard
Patriot-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Roger P. Jones
Founder-Rev. Richard Jones
Patriot-Peter Jones

Associate-George W.B. Elder
Founder-Robert Abernathy
Patriot-John Abernathy

Associate-Myron "Mike" E. Lyman
Founder-Richard Lyman
Patriot-Ozias Lyman

Associate-Eugene A. Walker
Founder-Capt. Samuel Walker
Patriot-Sgt. Timothy Walker

Associate-Cranston Williams, Jr.
Founder-Ambrose Cobbs
Founder-Robert Cobbs
Patriot-Capt. Robert Lewis Cobbs

Associate-Lewis Turner Cowardin, II
Founder-Peter Cowardine
Patriot-John Cowardine

Associate-Zachary N. Hall
Founder-Thomas Graves
Patriot-John Graves
Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-Christopher L. Hubbard
Founder-George Hubbard
Patriot-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Donnel J. Hubbard
Founder-George Hubbard
Patriot-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Walter Jervis Sheffield
Founder-Col. Robert Wynne, II
Patriot-John Winn and son Peter Winn

Associate-Daniel C. Warren, MD
Founder-Thomas Warren
Patriot-William Warren

Associate-Robert S. Marks
Founder-Robert Abernathy
Patriot-John Abernathy

Associate-Hugh E. Fraser, III
Founder-John Barker
Patriot-Henry Barker, Jr.

Associate-Lyman Brian Allen
Founder-Richard Lyman
Patriot-Ozias Lyman

Associate-James Lewis Wheeler
Founder-George Wheeler and son William
Patriot-Sgt. Timothy Wheeler, Sr.

Associate-Kenin Lee Lyman
Founder – Richard Lyman
Patriot – Ozias Lyman

Associate-Charles Edward Phebus
Founder - Gov. Leonard Calvert
Patriot - Obediah Calvert

Associate—Jeffrey Dean Thomas
Founder - Thomas Burton
Patriot - Joseph Burton

Associate-Gordon Leonard Price, Jr.
Founder-John Price
Patriot-Charles Price

Associate– Walter A. Sheffield
Founder– Col. Robert Wynne, II
Patriot– John Winn, Sr. & son Peter Winn

Ancestor Memorials (cont.)

Associate-Robert B. Kendall

Founder-Francis Kendall

Patriot-Josiah Kendall

Associate-James M. Bayne

Founder-William Hatcher

Patriot-Edward Hatcher

Please Remember

VA OFPA has several wreaths, a parade banner and an OFPA flag which can be used by any VA OFPA Associate at an event. It is a good way to let people know you are an OFPA member. And, the VA OFPA has two magnetic signs that can be placed on cars if you are in a parade that allows autos. Contact Bob and Vicki Kendall.

If you participate in an activity where you are identified as an OFPA Associate, please advise the Governor and Secretary. Save a copy of the program, and a photograph of your participation if possible. If you write an article, save a copy and send to Governor Newcombe and Secretary Graves to be included in the annual Governor's report.

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The Order of Founders and Patriots is now on Facebook. Like at:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Founders-and-Patriots-of-America/212618818770058>

The VA OFPA web site is www.vaofpa.org. Donald Moore is our webmaster and has recently updated it. Take a look at a *great* web site!

This is how the OFPA Handbook describes the OFPA flag.

"SECTION 3. COLORS. The colors of the Order shall consist of the National Colors or Flag as prescribed by an Act of Congress, and the colors of the flag of the Order. The latter shall be cross, Gules, on a field, Argent, with canton, Azure, a constellation of thirteen stars, Argent."



Above—OFPA Flag

