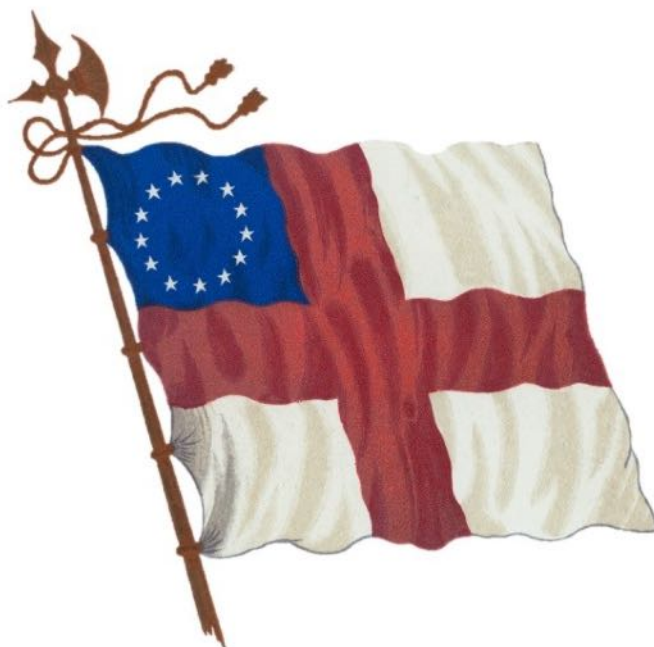


# THE VIRGINIA CAVALIER

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*The Virginia Society welcomes  
these new members to the Order:*



**Robert Wiley  
Terence O'Rourke**



## Special Announcement: Charles Church Parrish Commemoration

Dear Virginia Society Associate:

In 1940, the Yorktown Branch of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities (APVA, now Preservation Virginia) erected a monument detailing the history of Charles Church, of Charles Parish, in York County. Parish history and registers indicate the burial of 22 men who are considered Founders, by The Order of the Founders and Patriots of America (OFPA), having arrived within fifty years after the founding of Jamestown.

To celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Order in 2020, the Virginia Society has established a goal of erecting a companion marker honoring the memory of these intrepid gentlemen whose sacrifice helped to establish our great Republic. *Won't you please help us with a gift of \$50 or more?*

The Order of the Founders and Patriots of America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable and educational organization and gifts to it are fully tax-deductible in accordance with Federal law. Please also inquire if your tax-deductible gift to the Virginia Society qualifies for a matching gift from your employer.

Please join us in perpetuating The Order's education and patriotic works through the Charles Parrish Church Memorial Marker project. The enclosure on Page 4 details the layout of the cemetery and plans for the proposed project. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

Please remit your tax-deductible donation (made payable to Virginia Society OFPA) to:

J. Shane Newcombe  
Virginia Society OFPA  
Attn: Charles Parrish Church Plaque  
P.O. Box 59  
Randolph, Virginia 23962-0059

Note: Donations should be postmarked by December 31, 2019.

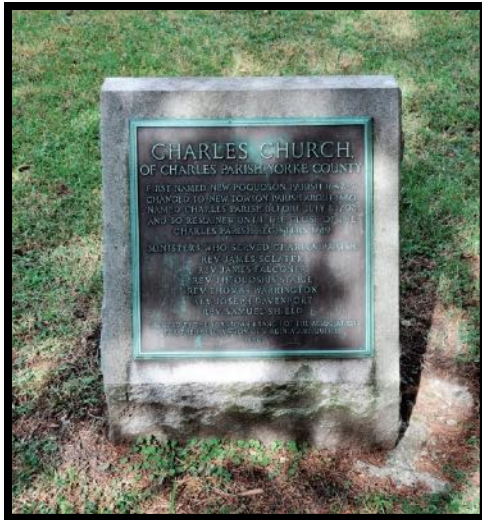
*Steadfast for God and Country!*

J. Shane Newcombe, Governor





# Charles Parrish Church, Yorktown, Virginia



Proposed Monument to be placed, adjacent to the existing monument, on the East or West side of the existing monument

Address:  
907 Yorktown RD  
Yorktown, VA

Owner: York County,  
Parcel #030 185C



## Significant & Noteworthy Events



Assoc. Mike Lyman (Past Virginia Governor, on left) represented the Virginia Society at the unveiling ceremony for the grave marking of Revolutionary War Patriot Captain Peter Northen. The event was held at Northen Cemetery (Peter Northen Family) located in Warsaw, Virginia.



Executive Council meeting held in South Boston in November 2019. [L-R] Assocs. Josh Wilberger, J. Shane Newcombe (Secretary-General & Virginia Governor), Angel Robertson (Guest), Mike Wyler (Genealogist & Deputy Registrar-General), and Richard Rattan.

*Not Pictured:* Assoc. Doug Graves (Secretary)





## Significant & Noteworthy Events



Wreaths for both the Order *and* the Virginia Society were placed at Grace Episcopal Church honoring the gravesite of Brigadier General Thomas Nelson Jr. on Yorktown Day 2019.

(L-R) Assocs. Dan Warren (Past-Governor General), Mike Lyman (Past Virginia Governor), Mike Weyler (Deputy Registrar-General & Genealogist) and Carl Bess Jr. (Virginia Deputy-Governor).



Virginia Society OFPA Members marched in the Yorktown Day Parade displaying the Virginia Society Parade Banner. The group was introduced by the parade announcer.

(Clockwise from front left): Assocs. Carl Bess, Mike Weyler, Mike Taimi, Mike Lyman, and Ben Fegan



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# **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

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**Founder**-Rev. Richard Jones  
**Patriot**-Peter Jones

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**Founder**-Robert Abernathy  
**Patriot**-John Abernathy

**Associate**-Myron "Mike" E. Lyman  
**Founder**-Richard Lyman  
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**Founder**-Capt. Samuel Walker  
**Patriot**-Sgt. Timothy Walker

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

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**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  
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**Founder**-John Barker  
**Patriot**-Henry Barker, Jr.

**Associate**-Lyman Brian Allen  
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**Founder**-George Wheeler and son William  
**Patriot**-Sgt. Timothy Wheeler, Sr.

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**Founder** – Richard Lyman  
**Patriot** – Ozias Lyman

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**Associate**-Robert B. Kendall  
**Founder**-Francis Kendall  
**Patriot**-Josiah Kendall

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## **Ancestor Memorials (cont.)**

**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](http://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

