

DARKE COUNTY PATRIOTS

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Mar 22, 1765 – Sep 3, 1783

The American Revolution was a rebellion and political revolution in the Thirteen Colonies, which saw colonists initiate a war for independence against the Kingdom of Great Britain.

There are approximately 30 American Revolution patriots buried in Darke County, Ohio.

- ★ William Dugan
- ★ John Mills
- ★ George Adams
- ★ William Townsend
- ★ Christian Hershey
- ★ David Harriman
- ★ Samuel Satterley
- ★ George Wilt
- ★ Peter Rush
- ★ James Wood
- ★ John Reed
- ★ William Brodrick
- ★ Samuel McClure
- ★ William Graham
- ★ Joseph Wiley
- ★ Benjamin Williams
- ★ Jonathon (Pierson) Pearson
- ★ George Gibson
- ★ Joseph Montfort
- ★ William Noble
- ★ William Smith
- ★ William Ashley
- ★ Ezekiel Farmer
- ★ William Walker
- ★ William Byers
- ★ Samuel Cole
- ★ David Ward
- ★ Richard Brandon
- ★ Zachariah Hole
- ★ Richard McGriff



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GEORGE ADAMS

Service: PENNSYLVANIA **Rank:** SOLDIER
*Martin Cemetery | Greenville Township
Culbertson Road, Greenville*

After serving in the Revolution, Adams served as a guide, scout, and Indian spy under General St. Clair during the Indian War of the Northwest Territory. He was part of the retreating soldiers who returned to Fort Jefferson after St. Clair's defeat in 1791. Under General Anthony Wayne, Adams was commissioned as Captain of the Scouts in 1794, while still serving in the Indian War of the Northwest Territory. During the War of 1812, Adams was commissioned as a Major of a Battalion of Ohio Volunteers and was Commandant at Fort Greenville (supply depot and staging area). He was later deeded land that is Historic Bear's Mill today.

JOHN MILLS

Service: MASSACHUSETTS **Rank:** MAJOR
*Fort Greenville Burial Grounds | Greenville Township
West Third/Chestnut Street, Greenville*

Major Mills participated in the Siege of Boston, Battle of Saratoga, and the Battle of Monmouth. He went on to serve under General Arthur St. Clair and in the Northwest Indian War with General Anthony Wayne as a Major Adjutant General and Inspector of the Army.

PETER RUSH

Service: PENNSYLVANIA **Rank:** PRIVATE
*First Universalist Cemetery | Harrison Township
East Washington Street, New Madison*

Private Rush was in the Philadelphia Light Horse Company, which escorted General George Washington from Philadelphia to Boston, where Washington accepted the Command of the American army in 1775.

BENJAMIN WILLIAMS

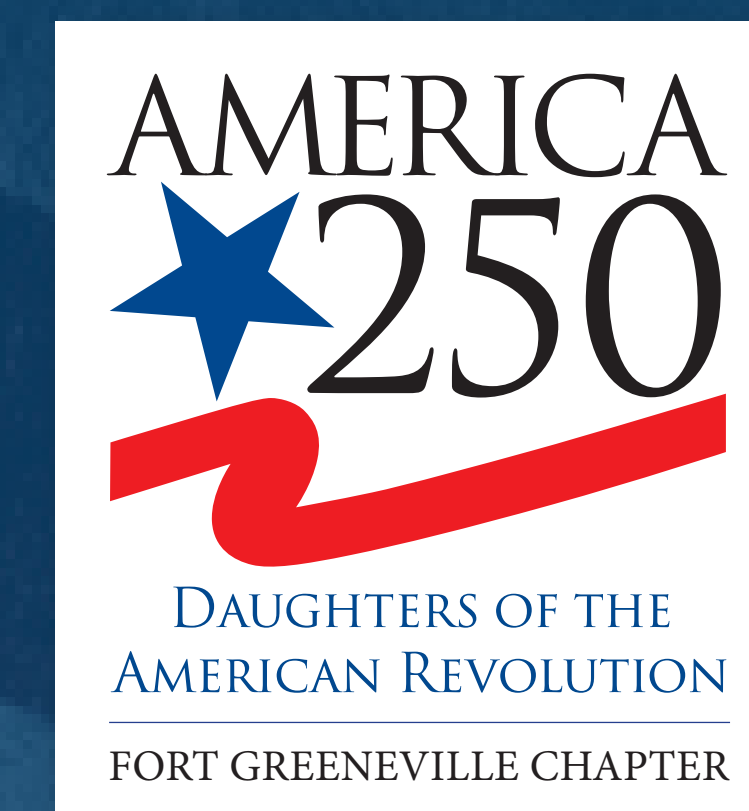
Service: MARYLAND **Rank:** PRIVATE
*Clemens Cemetery | Liberty Township
Hollansburg-Tampico Road, Longtown*

Private Williams was a free person of color who participated in the Siege of Yorktown, Virginia in 1781. The battle forced the surrender of General Cornwallis's army, a turning point in the war that led to the end of the American Revolution in 1783.

David Ward

Service: VIRGINIA **Rank:** PRIVATE
*Hoover Cemetery | Wayne Township
State Route 121/Jamison Road, Versailles*

During Private Ward's military career, he served under General Anthony Wayne. He was at the Battle of Stony Point (in 1779) and was one of the first men to scale the heights during the taking of this important crossing place on the Hudson. Ward also served at various posts to guard and protect the frontier settlements against the Indians.



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