



Fall 2024
NSWFD Dispatch
connecting with cousins

Wow! What a Reunion!

103 Members and their Families gathered in Williamsburg and Yorktown on Thursday, October 17th for our 70th Washington Family Reunion. Included in the group were many new members we were thrilled to get to know. Take a look at a few memories made:



Williamsburg Friday night after dinner at Shields Tavern.



Kathy Tally, Linda Averyt, Laura Keith, Diane Creekmore, Barbara Short, Lisa Saxton-Victoria & Patrick Daly, Sarah Hamilton



Shields Tavern dinner Friday night - Tom and Billie Washington, Patti & John Demuth



Caren Swisher, Jim Bird, Boo Brooks, Paul Cook, Rhonda Cook, Dale Sayers giving instructions for Trivia Game!



Lining up for the Yorktown Day Parade and Yorktown Victory Monument Celebration, Cathy & Col. Tom Washington



Cathy Washington, John & Linda Blair-new members Diane Lollar, Nancy Moncure Stikes, Tudy Moncure



Susan Byerly, Dale Sayers & Laine Ruehle with DAR bling-Dale Sayers & Grandson Ethan Watkins-Kathy Tally & Paul Schweiger



Yorktown Battlefield Redoubt 10 - Tom Reh and grandson- Tommy



Special Guest Speaker Saturday Night - Col. George Washington



Cousins attending a Sunday morning service – Bruton Parish Episcopal Church





Jim Bird and Betsy Merritt – Keith Short



A view from our Memorial Service at Bruton Parish Episcopal Church

Welcome Our Newest Members

John Blair, our Registrar General, reports that we continue to have inquiries about membership from our website. Since our Summer Dispatch, we have added 26 new members, and 3 Reinstatements. Please welcome them!

National Number 1441 Annual Member

Booth, Betty Anderson

35 Campden Circle

San Antonio, Texas 78218

Date Accepted: 03 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 210-826-1363

Email: bfbooth@att.net

D.O.B.: 09 August 1931

Associate Member: N/A.

Address: N/A.

Telephone: N/A.

Email: N/A.

National Number 1442 Life Member

Holmes, Lawrence Tayloe

2500 Indigo Lane Unit 326

Glenview, Illinois 60026

Date Accepted: 03 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 847-904-2978

Email: Holmes3257@aol.com

D.O.B.: 21 January 1935

Associate Member: **Holmes, Dorothy Koehler**, 1442-AL Associate Life.

Address: Same As Above

Telephone: 847-804-5515.

Email: Dholmes524@aol.com

National Number 1443 Annual Member

Stikes, Nancy Moncure

270 Hickory Hill Lane

Glasgow, Virginia 24555

Date Accepted: 03 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 770-634-4084

Email: nstikes@mindspring.com

D.O.B.: 23 June 1953

Associate Member: N/A

Address: N/A

Telephone: N/A

Email: N/A

National Number 1444 Annual Member

McComas, Theresa Booth

114 Cave Lane

San Antonio, Texas 78209

Date Accepted: 20 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 210-385-8524

Email: theresanccomas@aol.com

D.O.B.: 24 August 1955

Associate Member: N/A
Address: N/A
Telephone: N/A
Email: N/A

National Number 1445 Annual Member

Sockett, Amanda Pasquinelli

8265 Steeplechase Drive

Mentor, Ohio 44060

Date Accepted: 22 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 440-319-0346

Email: amandasockett@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 15 December 1980

Associate Member: **Sockett, Michael John** 1445-A Associate Annual

Address: Same as above.

Telephone: 440-231-6867

Email: msockett20@gmail.com

National Number 1446 Annual Member

Sockett, Evan Michael

8265 Steeplechase Drive

Mentor, Ohio 44060

Date Accepted: 22 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 440-789-5063

Email: evansockett@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 14 January 2003

Associate Member: N/A

Address: N/A

Telephone: N/A

Email: N/A

National Number 1447-J Junior Member

Sockett, Owen Anthony

8265 Steeplechase Drive

Mentor, Ohio 44060

Date Accepted: 22 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 440-749-7539

Email: owensockett@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 29 January 2009

Associate Member: N/A

Address: N/A

Telephone: N/A

Email: N/A

National Number 1448 Annual Member

Booth, John Vernon

35 Campden Circle

San Antonio, Texas 78218

Date Accepted: 26 August 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 210-360-9697

Email: jvbooth@mac.com

D.O.B.: 28 Feb 1969

Associate Member: N/A.
Address: N/A.
Telephone: N/A.
Email: N/A.

National Number 1449 Annual Member

Guttman, Joan Frances Booth

P.O. Box 155

Cotulla, Texas 78014

Date Accepted: 02 September 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 210-867-8300

Email: rpguttman@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 28 February 1953

Associate Member: N/A.

Address: N/A.

Telephone: N/A.

Email: N/A

National Number 1450 Annual Member

Stevens, Anabelle

6993 Winter Ridge Lane

Castle Pines, Colorado 80108-3666

Date Accepted: 04 September 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 303-453-9673

Email: agstevens25@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 25 June 2003

Associate Member: N/A.

Address: N/A.

Telephone: N/A.

Email: N/A

National Number 1451 Annual Member

Raitt, Catherine Edwards Willis

1875 East Bayview Boulevard

Norfolk, Virginia 23503-3209

Date Accepted: 04 September 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 757-589-6241

Email: CBellfleur@aol.com

D.O.B.: 02 Nov 1950

Associate Member: **Raitt, Jeb Bond** N.N. 1451-A Associate Annual

Address: Same as above.

Telephone: 757-589-6944.

Email: JBRMM266@aol.com

National Number 1452 Life Member

Baker, John Robert

135 Sanctuary Road

Huntsville, Texas 77340-2387

Date Accepted: 29 September 2024

Ancestor: Colonel William Ball

Telephone: 304-816-1927

Email: jrobert.baker@fairmontstate.edu

D.O.B.: 10 March 1954

Associate Member: N/A
Address: N/A
Telephone: N/A
Email: N/A

National Number 1453 Life Member

Winslett, Kim Annette Tittle

2920 Cliff Springs Road
Oneonta, Alabama 35121

Date Accepted: 29 September 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 205-493-2225

Email: winslettk@dot.state.al.us

D.O.B.: 18 Jan 1958

Associate Member: N/A

Address: N/A

Telephone: N/A

Email: N/A

National Number 1454 Life Member

Kleese, Bryan Edward

2934 Newport Avenue
Sierra Vista, Arizona 85636

Date Accepted: 30 September 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 520-266-2385

Email: kleeseb@theriver.com; kleeseb@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 12 May 1961

Associate Member: **Kleese, Angela Marie** N.N. 1455-AL Associate Life

Address: Same as above

Telephone: 520-266-2384

Email: Angie.kleese@gmail.com

National Number 1455 Annual Member

Kleese, Cami Elizabeth

1180 Chiricahua Loop, Apt. 11
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80915

Date Accepted: 30 September 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 520-249-0510

Email: camikleese@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 14 Jan 1994

Associate Member: N/A

Address: N/A

Telephone: N/A

Email: N/A

National Number 1456-J Junior Member

Mylius, William Matthew

2112 Haden Street
Hoover, Alabama 35226

Date Accepted: 04 October 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 205-787-1780

Email: willmylius@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 16 June 2009

Associate Member: N/A
Address: N/A
Telephone: N/A
Email: N/A

National Number 1459 Annual Member

Prather, Steven Marvin

13500 W 58th Avenue

Arvada, Colorado 80002-1124

Date Accepted: 10 November 2024

Ancestor: Colonel John Washington

Telephone: 303-901-7830

Email: stevemprather@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 25 September 1969

Associate Member: **Gina Ramaekers Prather** N.N. 1459-A, Annual Member

Telephone: 720-628-9553

Email: gymratgina@yahoo.com

National Number 1460 Annual Member

Swisher, Robert Christopher

2511 North Sean Drive

Chandler, Arizona 85224

Date Accepted: 11 November 2024

Ancestor: Nicholas Martiau

Telephone: 480-227-2928

Email: Swisher5678@cox.net

D.O.B.: 04 June 1951

Associate Member: **Caren Graves Swisher** N.N. 1460-A, Annual Member

Email: caremgswisher@gmail.com

National Number 1461 Annual Member

Doggett, Suzanne Wightman

3312 Holly Street

Alexandria, Virginia 22305

Date Accepted: 21 November 2024

Ancestor: Col. William Ball

Telephone: 703-299-1782

Email: Swdoggett76@gmail.com

D.O.B.: 10 January 1958

Associate Member: Guessford, George M., N.N. 1461-A, Annual Member

Telephone: 703-671-9187

Email: gmguessford@gmail.com

Associate Member: **Guessford, Julia Wightman**, N.N. 1461-B Annual Member

Telephone: 703-671-9187

Email: jwguessford@gmail.com

Reinstatements:

N.N.1033 Annual Member

Mylius, Virginia Elizabeth Sanders

2112 Haden Street

Birmingham AL 35226

Date Accepted: Nov. 29, 2006

Name of Ancestor: Col. John Washington

N.N. 1034 Annual Member

Mylius Matthew John,

2112 Haden Street

Birmingham AL 35226

Date Accepted: Nov. 29, 2006

Name of Ancestor: Col. John Washington

Associate member #1034-A Annual-Mylius, Christine Marie Butcke

N.N.1035 Annual Member

Mylius, Savannah Elizabeth

2112 Haden Street

Birmingham AL 35226

Date Accepted: Nov. 29, 2006

Name of Ancestor: Col. John Washington

Notes from the Executive Board

Jodi Stevens, our member who was going to take the position of President General for the next term, resigned for personal reasons, and former President General, Richard Weaver, has stepped in to the position. We wish the best to Jodi and to Richard.

On the Subject of Genealogy

The Society does not undertake genealogical research for applicants. Neither DNA evidence nor applications from other lineage societies are accepted by The National Society of the Washington Family Descendants as proof of ancestry.

Information from genealogical websites should be used as a guide, but cannot be used as proof, it will be necessary to provide primary source documentation.

Onward to NSWFD's 71st Reunion!

Preview from the 2025 Reunion Committee

The planning committee is working on the details of our 2025 reunion and is pleased to announce we will meet in historic Charles Town, West Virginia on October 10 through 13, 2025.

Please reserve your rooms as soon as possible. They are \$189 a night plus tax:

<https://group.hamptoninn.com/ngi379>

Washington Words

All attendees of the reunion (*one copy per family*) received a copy of the 2024 Washington Words publication. If you did not attend the Reunion, you should have received the 2024 Washington Words publication by U.S. mail.

If you DID NOT receive your copy, please let us know by contacting Diane Creekmore, Editor, and she will send it to you.

ALSO, please review all of your information in the directory section of the publication, and contact Diane-
creekdi43@gmail.com if you have any changes you would like corrected in next year's edition.

Reporting the passing of a Member

If you know of a member of the Society who has passed away, please send their name, and if available, any information or the obituary to our Chaplain General, Jim Bird birdjr@gmail.com as they will be remembered at our 2025 Annual Reunion.

Interested in Supplementals?

For The NSWFD, a supplemental is an application that is based on your approved NSWFD application which at some point, either extends or branches off to another NSWFD Qualifying Ancestor. You will only need to supply the proofs for the additional genealogy. The fee for a supplemental application is currently \$45.00 and includes a certificate. If you would like more information about supplemental applications, please email the Registrar, John Blair at jblair66@aol.com.

Visit washingtonfamilydescendants.org

Explore our new & improved website! You will find information on our Society, Membership, Events and much more. Click on the Members Only button to register for access to the private area of the website. Once we confirm your membership, you will be able to access the following pages:

- Leadership
- Member Directory
- Merchandise
- Reunion 2024
- Reunion 2023
- 2022 Charleston Reunion Ancestral Presentations
- Member Photos

Keeping a website up to date, relevant and interesting is a big job, and we welcome anyone who is interested in working with us on this project. Your suggestions and questions may be forwarded to our webmaster and member, Linda Horstmeyer. Linda@SeaShellDigital.com, who deserves our gratitude for her expertise in the digital world!

Visit our Facebook Page

Our society is full of members who, from time to time, post very interesting information on the society's Facebook page not only about our shared heritage, but videos, photos and other events you may find interesting! You just never know what you may learn when you log in to our page on Facebook! To reach us, log-in to Facebook and navigate to The National Society of the Washington Family Descendants private page. Ask to be allowed access, and you will receive approval to enter, browse and post.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/40812519127/>

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