



A TIME FOR HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE

Hanover County is blessed with a rich history, including many brave citizens who answered the call of duty throughout time. In 1774, Patrick Henry organized what is believed to be the first company of volunteers in all of Virginia at Merry Oaks Tavern (near Ashcake/Sliding Hill Roads) to serve in the Revolutionary War. In the late autumn of 1859, the Hanover Grays (15th VA Inf, Co. I) were organized in Old Church and the Hanover Troop (Hanover Light Dragoons-4th VA Cav) were organized and later commanded by Hanover County's own Williams Carter Wickham, the only resident of our county to attain the rank of Brigadier General during the War Between the States (Civil War). Today, we have witnessed first hand how "the brave beget the brave". Sadly, we are reminded that freedom is never free as we remember local men HT-3 Kenneth Clodfelter, U.S. Navy and Capt. John Robert "JR" Teal, U.S. Army who gave the ultimate sacrifice for not only their own families and friends, but for this entire nation. The Hanover Dragoons Camp #827, Sons of Confederate Veterans proudly honors and remembers our military service personnel not only this Veterans Day, but also every day. We proudly salute and sincerely thank every veteran of the past and present for your sacrifices and service. May no veteran, of any time in our local and national history, ever be forgotten.

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