

9-11 Tribute at Red Run Park on Buchanan Trail/Route 16 in Rouzerville concludes the Franklin County Military Trail of History. Reflect and remember amidst the beautiful and powerful South Mountain as you view artifacts of the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and Shanksville.



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**FRANKLIN COUNTY  
VETERANS AND 9/11  
MEMORIAL PARK**  
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The Franklin County Military Trail Of History

Begin the story at

Letterkenny Chapel & Franklin County

Veterans and 9/11 Memorial Park

2171 Carbaugh Avenue, Chambersburg, PA

Chambersburg is the county seat of Franklin County and is home to a number of county-wide memorials.



**Letterkenny Chapel**

2171 Carbaugh Avenue  
Chambersburg

In 1945, Italian prisoners of war, housed at Letterkenny Army Depot, built the chapel. It used stone from many of the original farmhouses on the depot site. The chapel features a 65-ft. Florentine belfry, a San Francisco entrance, and a Roman interior.



**Franklin County  
Veterans and  
9/11 Memorial Park**

adjoining  
2171 Carbaugh Avenue  
Chambersburg

In October 2011, ground broke for the Franklin County Veterans and 9/11 Memorial Park. On May 19, 2012, the county memorial was dedicated by the First Counselor to the Apostolic Nuncio, the Vatican's Ambassador to the United States, just as was done by the Apostolic Nuncio for the military Chapel in 1945. The United Churches of the Chambersburg Area developed the memorial park as a place for reflection and remembrance, to memorialize all those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, and to pay tribute to Franklin County Veterans and First Responders.

Next site: Rocky Spring Presbyterian Church & Graveyard. Follow Carbaugh Avenue to Letterkenny Road and turn left. Continue on Letterkenny Road until just past the intersection of Funk Road. Church is on the right.

**FAST FACT:** Molly Cochran Corbin, the first woman to receive a military pension and only Revolutionary soldier to be buried at West Point with honors was born in Franklin County. She accompanied her husband to the Revolutionary War, and when he was fatally wounded at the Battle of Fort Mifflin, she took over firing his cannon. Her birthplace is on Letterkenny Road West, opposite the site of the Cumberland Valley Animal Shelter.

**Rocky Spring  
Presbyterian Church  
& Graveyard**

1963 Rocky Spring Road  
Chambersburg



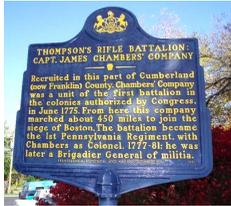
At the outset of the American Revolution, church pastor Rev. John Craighead delivered an inspirational sermon, and all the adult men in the congregation marched off to join the Revolutionary War. Craighead is buried in the church cemetery as is General Samuel Culbertson, a veteran of the Revolutionary War.

Next site: Founding Family Park off first block of North Main Street. From Rocky Spring Church, turn right onto Letterkenny Road, which becomes Franklin Street. At the intersection of Franklin & King Streets, turn left onto King Street and continue to North Main Street. Turn right onto North Main Street and travel one-half block. Turn right into the Founding Family Park.



**The Homecoming** depicts town founder Benjamin Chambers welcoming son James and grandson Benjamin home after the Revolutionary War. The statue is in the center of the Founding Family Park.

# Franklin County Veterans And 9/11 Memorial Park

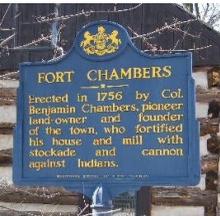


## Thompson's Rifle Battalion

In Founding Family Park, off N. Main Street  
Chambersburg  
(Marker is across the foot bridge that spans Falling Spring)

Pennsylvania historic marker identifies the first regiment of Franklin County. It was a unit of sharpshooters that marched to the Siege of Boston and was led by Captain James Chambers.

Walk toward King Street to the Fort Chambers historic marker.



## Chamber's Fort

Along West King Street  
Chambersburg

Franklin County was the colonial frontier of America, and the people on the frontier lived with the impacts of the French & Indian War. Following the defeat of British General Braddock in 1755, the French and their Indian allies struck the Pennsylvania frontier. To protect his home and mills, Benjamin Chambers erected a stockade with a lead roof to protect the structure from flaming arrows. The fort was adjoined by water on three sides, aiding its defense and habitability.



## Green Ash Tree Memorial

adjacent to Chamber's Fort Marker

This living memorial is dedicated by VFW Post 1599 to honor those who served in World War II.

From Founding Family Park, walk onto Main Street toward Memorial Square. At the center of Memorial Square is Memorial Fountain.

## Memorial Fountain & Bronze Civil War Soldier

Crossroads of Routes 11 & 30  
Chambersburg



Memorial Fountain honors the town's role in Civil War history. The fountain was erected in 1878 to honor the people of Franklin County that served in the Civil War. Included in the fountain memorial is a bronze soldier, which guards against future invasions. Memorial Square was the site of the meeting between Generals Robert E. Lee and A.P. Hill where they made the decision to move east toward Gettysburg and intercept the Union troops. The Battle of Gettysburg ensued. Today, Memorial Fountain honors veterans of all American conflicts.



Franklin County Vietnam Veterans Memorial is located on Courthouse Plaza. Facing the courthouse, it is on the north side of the plaza in front of the Commissioner's Complex.

(This concludes the walking sites.)

From North Main Street, continue driving straight onto South Main Street. Go one block and turn left onto Queen Street. Continue driving. The Chambersburg Doughboy will be on the left, after passing 4th Street on approach to 6th Street.



## Chambersburg Doughboy

East Point Memorial  
Intersection of East Queen and Lincoln Way East  
Chambersburg

The citizens of Franklin County came together on November 12, 1923, during Armistice celebrations to dedicate this Spirit of the American Doughboy, one of the pressed copper sculptures by E.M. Viquesney. The memorial was erected to honor the men and women of Franklin County that served in World War I.

The next site is on Lincoln Way West. Travel west on Route 30. Turn right onto 6th Street. Turn right onto Washington Street. Follow Washington Street to 3rd Street and turn right onto 3rd Street. Turn left onto Lincoln Way/ Route 30 and travel 13 miles. Turn left onto Brooklyn Road.

## Fort Loudoun & James Smith & The Black Boys

Off Route 30 West on Brooklyn Road  
Fort Loudoun



Built as a provincial fort in 1756, Fort Loudoun was used as a supply base for the Forbes Campaign. In 1765, the garrison of the fort played a key role in a colonial revolt by James Smith and the Black Boys. This military action centered on trading weapons with the Indians and pre-dated the Revolutionary War by ten years.

Travel West Route 30 and turn left onto Route 75. Travel about 6 miles.



## Stuart's Headquarters/ Steiger House/Bridgeside

120 North Main Street,  
Mercersburg

On October 10 1862, General J.E.B. Stuart used the Steiger home as a headquarters during his Pennsylvania Raid.

Continue on North Main Street and then onto Linden Street. Shortly, turn right onto Fairview Avenue.

## Zion Union Cemetery

Bennett Avenue, just off Fairview Avenue

Mercersburg

Eighty-eight African American men served in the United States Colored Troops during the Civil War. Of these, 44 joined the 54th and 55th Massachusetts. At least 38 members of the USCT are buried in Zion Union Cemetery.



Take 16 East/416 South/Buchanan Trail about 18 miles to Waynesboro and turn right onto South Potomac Street

## Grave of Henry Bonebrake Green Hill Cemetery

953 South Potomac Street

Waynesboro

Lt. Henry Bonebrake, who was born and lived in Waynesboro, received the Congressional Medal of Honor for valor during the Civil War. He is buried here.



Return to Route 16 and travel approximately 8.5 miles to Route 11. Turn right onto Route 11. The next site is 2-3 miles on left.

## Corporal Rihl Memorial at Fleming Farm

Molly Pitcher Highway/Route 11

Greencastle

Corporal William Rihl of the 1st N.Y. Cavalry was killed in a skirmish at this site on June 23, 1863. He was the first Union soldier killed on Pennsylvania soil in the Civil War.

Travel about 20 miles on Route 11.



## Shippensburg Veteran's Park

Molly Pitcher Highway/Route 11

Shippensburg

The park includes memorials to over 5000 Americans from the area that served in WWII and the Korean and Vietnam Wars.

