

Sons of the American Revolution
Commemoration of the Life and Grave of Patriot
Reverend Henry Wood



Sunday, May 6, 2007
Half after Two O'clock in the Afternoon
Woods Chapel United Methodist Church
Greer, South Carolina

Order of Ceremony

Greeting by James H. Wood
Member Mecklenburg Chapter
SAR, Descendent of Rev. Henry
Wood

Presentation of the Colors by Honor Guard
Pledge of Allegiance
SAR Pledge
"God Bless America" Sung by Joe
Judge, Matthews, NC UMC

Introduction of Honored Guests

Family History

Decoration of Grave and SAR Grave Marker
Eulogy of Revolutionary War Patriot
Minister's Blessing by Rev. David
Norrell, Pastor, Woods Chapel UMC
Unveiling of SAR Marker
"My Country 'Tis of Thee" sung by
Joe Judge
Placement of Wreaths at Grave
SAR Recessional

Honor Guard

"Amazing Grace" sung by Sloane A.
Wood and Courtney Wood Picha,
descendents of Rev. Henry Wood
Retire the Colors

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands. One nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

Sons of the American Revolution Pledge

We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

Sons of the American Revolution Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a Nation of free men.

Rev. Henry Wood was born on December 16, 1756 in what is today Warren County, North, Carolina. He was called to serve in the struggle for American Freedom as a member of the Third Division of North Carolina Militia. He participated in the battle of Guilford Court House and other engagements during his service in the War.

Henry Wood married Susan Elizabeth Mayfield in July 1777 in Warren County North Carolina. Following the death of his first wife, he married Nancy Burns. At the conclusion of the Revolutionary War, he moved to Spartanburg County, SC where he lived until his death on June 12, 1843.

After he moved to the Greer area, he started a Methodist meeting house which today is know as Woods Chapel United Methodist Church. In 1803, Bishop Francis Asbury during a trip through South Carolina, wrote in his journal that on Nov 1 he rode to Woods for the evening and the next day preached at his house.

At the 1923 Homecoming Service at Woods Chapel, funds were raised to relocate the remains of Rev. Wood and his wives from a family cemetery to the church. In 1924, the remains were brought to their final resting place at the church, and a marker placed there in his honor.



