



# George Rogers Clark Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony Celebrating the 244<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Capture of Fort Sackville and Patriot Grave Marking

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May 27, 2023 @ 11:00 – 11:45 am EDT

George Rogers Clark Memorial  
401 S 2nd St  
Vincennes, IN 47591

Free admission and open to the public.

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Event website: <https://www.spiritofvincennes.org/>

## Color Guard, Indiana Society, National – District – Chapter

The George Rogers Clark Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony, a National Sons of the American Revolution event, will take place on Saturday, May 27, 2023, at 11:00 am EDT outside the Clark Memorial at the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park in Vincennes, IN. Ribbons will be awarded to SAR, DAR, and CAR chapters; states; districts and national officers presenting a wreath; and lineage societies (one ribbon per wreath).

**Wreath Presenters:** If you would like to present a wreath at this ceremony, please send Robert Cunningham the name of the wreath presenter, the title (office) of the wreath presenter if applicable, chapter, organization, email address and phone. **To be listed in the program, please send the information requested above by May 19 by filling out the attached registration form.** Wreath presenters are not required to wear colonial attire. Wreath presenters supply their own wreath and stand. All chapter Compatriots, their families and guests are invited and encouraged to attend this ceremony. Feel free to bring lawn chairs as this ceremony will be outdoors; we will move indoors if it rains.

**Color Guard:** The George Rogers Clark Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony is a National Color Guard event. All participating **Color Guard will muster at 10:00 am EDT outside of the Clark Memorial. To be listed in the program, please send Robert Cunningham the names, organization, and state of those who will participate in the Color Guard by filling out the attached registration form by May 19.** Color Guard participants are welcome to bring state or chapter flags and flag stands for outdoors (and indoors if it rains).

**Help Fund This Ceremony:** If you are not participating in this ceremony in another capacity, you may receive credit toward your SAR Patriot Grave Marking Medal by contributing \$60 to help fund this ceremony. (Color Guard service does not count toward this medal.) **If you wish to help in this manner and be listed in the program, please provide the information requested by May 19 by filling out the attached registration form. Please make your \$60 check payable to Indiana SAR.**

**Friday Evening Dinner:** SAR Compatriots, wives, and family are cordially invited to Procopio's Pizza and Pasta restaurant on Friday evening May 26 at 6:00 pm EDT for dinner. **If you plan to attend, please send Robert Cunningham your name and guest(s) names by filling out the attached registration form by May 19.** We will have a private dining room with seating beginning at 6:00 pm EDT. Procopio's address is 127 N 2nd St, Vincennes, IN 47591, phone 812-882-0914. Dinner is Dutch treat.

**Hotel Reservations:** A block of rooms has been reserved for Friday, May 26 and Saturday, May 27 under Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) at the Towneplace Suites Vincennes Marriott, 1320 Willow St, Vincennes, IN 47591, phone 812-255-1500. The rate is \$98/night plus tax for a king or two queen beds. **Mention SAR when making your reservation which must be made by April 26.** This hotel is close to the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park. Make your reservations as early as possible. Hotels in Vincennes fill up quickly. Our ceremony is held during the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous which hundreds of people attend.

**Parking:** Parking for the Wreath Laying Ceremony and the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous is available down the road from the George Rogers Clark National Historical Park Visitor Center at 401 S. 2nd St. There are a limited number of parking spaces in front of the visitor center. Parking is also available on the neighborhood streets but is not permitted along yellow curbs. The earlier you arrive, the closer to the memorial your parking space will be.

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