Philip Stuart

(1760 - 14 Aug 1830)

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We have the painful duty to perform of announcing the decease of our venerable fellow citizen, General Philip Stuart, a distinguished officer of the Revolutionary Army. General S. was a native of the State of Maryland, in whose gallant line it was that his bravery was signalized during the whole of its severe service in the South, particularly in the battle of Eutaw. During the late war he again served his country in the field, and also for several years represented his native State in Congress. During the last twelve years of his life, he resided in this city, where he expired on Saturday evening, the 14th inst. after a short illness. He was, we believe, almost the last relic of the Revolutionary worthies in our immediate community, and we should think it a proper tribute of respect to his memory, for our military companies to unite in paying the honors of war to his remains, at their interment today.

Deaths:

On Saturday evening, the 14th instant, a little before 8 o'clock, at his late residence in this city, Gen. Philip Stuart, in the 71st year of his age. This truly worthy and excellent citizen and soldier filled too large and bright a space in the public affairs of his country to need any verbal eulogaum. His fame for valor and patriotism belongs to the history of the country; and his worth is imperishably recorded in the hearts of a widely extended circle of friends and acquaintances. Yet we cannot forbear invoking the kind sympathies of a generous and grateful people to the grave of a venerable and distinguished Patriot; whose youthful blood was shed in copious libations for their ransom in the time of the Revolution, and whose heart retained sufficient fire in his old age to call him to the tented field in another war, ready to lay down his life in defense of that freedom which in young blood had contributed to purchase.

All the friends and acquaintances of the deceased, and all others disposed to honor the memory of the departed Patriot, are frankly invited to attend his funeral, which will proceed from the late family residence at Greenleaf's Point, at 3 o'clock tomorrow, 17th inst., p.m.

Will of Gen. Philip Stuart, of Washington, D.C., late of Charles Co., Md. (dtd. April 7, 1827, probated Aug. 25, 1830, Will Book ??))

All real and personal property to five youngest children; sons Richard Henry Stuart, Joseph Noble Stuart, John Philip Stuart, George Washington Stuart (under age), and Edward Eutaw Stuart (under age), to each 1/5.

Three eldest children Charles Baynes Stuart, William Gibbons Stuart, and daughter Mary Frances Adeline Stuart, now Mary Frances Adeline Thornton, wife of Steuart Gibbons Thornton, Esq., of Va.; to Charles Baynes Stuart my large china punch bowl once the property of Gen. George Washington of "Mount Vernon;" to grandson Philip Stuart Thornton, my gold watch; to son Richard Henry [Stuart] the pistols and sword with their necessary apparatus which I used during the Revolutionary War and which were especially my companions at the Battle of Eutaw, being confident as he is an officer in the army of the U.S.

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Capt. Wendell Wolfe Chapter Holds service at Cemetery

Capt. Wendell Wolfe Chapter, N.S.D.A.R., unveiled a memorial to Gen. Philip Stuart at Congressional cemetery May 12. State and chapter officers, chapter members and descendants of Gen. Stuart marched at the call of the bugle sounded by John Stevenson, jr., to the grave. The procession was headed by the American, Maryland State and D.A.R. flags.

The ceremonies were conducted by the chapter regent, Mrs. Alexander H. Bell, and were opened with the singing of "America" by those assembled. Mrs. Stanley Beasley, State chaplain, led in prayer, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag, led by Mrs. Lee Pennington, National vice chairman of correct use of the flag committee. Mrs. S.H. McCrory, State historian, read a paper on Gen. Stuart written by Mrs. Eva Elizabeth Luke, former regent.

The bronze marker was unveiled by Miss Frances Stuart Tucker and Miss Florence Wanner, descendants of Gen. Stuart. Mrs. Bell presented the marker to Mrs. George Madden Grimes, State regent, who accepted in behalf of the District of Columbia D.A.R. A duet, "No Night There," was sung by Mrs. Ralph C. Wilson and Mrs. B.R. Rector.

An address given on Gen. Stuart as soldier of the American Revolution was by Alexander H. Bell. Mrs. Benjamin M. Connelly, a great-great-granddaughter of Gen. Stuart and an officer in the chapter, placed a floral tribute on the grave of her ancestor. Miss Bertha Frances Wolfe, founder of the chapter, read several stanzas from the "Bivouac of the Dead."

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Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774-1989

A Representative from Maryland; born near Fredericksburg, Virginia in 1760; completed his preparatory education; moved to Maryland; served in the Revolutionary Army as a lieutenant in the third Continental Dragoons; wounded at Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781; transferred to Baylor's dragoons November 9, 1782; lieutenant, 2d Artillerists and Engineers, June 5, 1798; resigned November 15, 1800; served in the War of 1812; elected as a Federalist to the 12th through 15th Congress (March 4, 1811-March 3, 1819); died in Washington, D.C., August 14, 1830; interment in the Congressional Cemetery.