



Repose of the Fallen— Burial vaults, called columbaria, for remains of 44 Revolutionary-era patriots were being installed Monday at the new monument at Lake George Battlefield Park. Black granite doors will be added after the remains are reinterred this week. **Pictured:** Crews from Rozell Industries who provided transport and cranes, and Eickhof Columbaria of Minnesota, who constructed the vaults, prepare the site. **The ceremony is Friday May 22.**

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'Repose of the Fallen' memorial in LG reinters 44 Revolutionary War-era patriots

Chronicle Managing Editor Cathy DeDe writes: The dedication ceremony is **Friday, May 22**, for Repose of the Fallen. The new memorial at Lake George Battlefield Park will be the final resting place of 44 Revolutionary-era soldiers and others who died in Lake George in 1776.

The reinterment ceremony is planned at 11 a.m.

Local and state elected officials and others are expected to attend.

Dan Barusch, Town of Lake George Director of Planning and Zoning, is serving as spokesman for the event.

He said they expect attendees to number at least 100 to 250, perhaps as many as 500, "with good weather" and advance media coverage.

Official hosts for the event are the Town of Lake George, The Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, which oversees the Battlefield Park.

Died in 1776, remains discovered in 2019, honored in 2026; dedication this Friday

The full schedule for the day:

- **9-10 a.m. — Horse-drawn caisson will transport four caskets** containing patriot remains from Sacred Heart Church on Mohican Street to the corner of Betty Little Boulevard and Beach Road.

- **10-10:30 a.m. — Revolutionary War living historians and re-enactors carry** the caskets from the caisson to the Father Isaac Jogues statue in Lake George Battlefield Park.

- **11 a.m. — Dedication ceremony.**

Be aware: Fort George Road at Battlefield Park will be closed from about 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Parking: Primary lots are at Million Dollar Beach, off Beach Road. Additional parking is available in the Beach Road lot across from the Lake George Steamboat Company, and West Brook Road and Betty Little Boulevard near Charles R. Wood Park and Festival Commons.

Handicapped parking is available at the Lake George Battlefield lots, accessible from State Route 9.

• "As the nation commemorates the 250th anniversary of its founding in 1776, New York State is honoring 44 patriots who died that year at Lake George, believed to be from the site of a large Continental Army hospital that treated soldiers and others who contracted smallpox during the failed invasion of Quebec, Canada," said the release.

The remains were discovered in 2019 during a construction project on Courtland Street in Lake George Village.

The New York State Museum has held the remains for study and safekeeping. They were to return to Lake George by solemn motorcade on Wednesday, May 20.