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Fernando de Leyba Chapter Missouri Society of the Sons of the American Revolution National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Chartered May 4, 1997 Chapter History -- 1997-2018

Founding and Chartering of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter

Sometime in 1995 James (Jim) L. R. Boyd, Jr. and Richard (Dick) H. Hofer, Sr., members of the Spirit of St. Louis SAR Chapter, set about to organize an SAR Chapter in the St. Charles area. Jim Boyd was the Organizing President. The organizing effort extended throughout 1996 and early 1997.

The nucleus was members of the Spirit of St. Louis Chapter in St. Louis, some of whom lived in the St. Charles area. Others liked the idea of an evening meeting rather than a Saturday morning meeting. Recruitment began to find potential members from the area to reach the chartering quota. The Missouri SAR Society Bylaws required 15 members to form a chapter or the approval by the Missouri Society, SAR Board of Directors if less than 15.

The chartering ceremony took place on Sunday, May 4, 1997 at Pio's Restaurant in St. Charles. The speaker at the Charting Meeting was State Senator Steve Ehlmann. It was decided that Charter Members would be those who joined the Chapter during 1997 and 1998. At the time of the chartering, there were 19 members; including 6 Dual Members. During 1998, 4 more members were added. The 23 Charter Members were the following men.

It took 108 years after the founding of the SAR for St. Charles, Missouri to have an SAR Chapter. Better late than never. -- We are thankful that the Spirit of St. Louis SAR Chapter spent the time and effort to start the Fernando de Leyba SAR Chapter.

Charter Members

<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>Date Joined the SAR</u>	<u>Living or Deceased as of December 31, 2018</u>
Baldwin, Robert B.	February 1, 1996	Deceased
Baldwin, Stephen M.	July 10, 1996	Living - Active
Ballou, Stuart L.	August 26, 1996	Deceased
Bell, David H.	March 31, 1998	Deceased
Borgman, James B.	August 26, 1996	Living - Active
Boyd, James L. R., Jr.	December 31, 1951	Living (Life Dual) - Active
Boyd, William L.	October 3, 1991	Living (Dual) – Not Active with FDL
Driver, Jerrell L.	October 11, 1995	Living (Dual) - Active
Elliott, James B.	March 31, 1988	Deceased
Fuqua, Roger C.	March 31, 1984	Deceased
Gray, Edward S.	August 31, 1977	Living (Dual) – Active
Grover, Robert L.	March 19, 1979	Living (Dual) – Not Active with FDL
Hagan, Kenneth N.	July 27, 1994	Deceased
Hahn, Dennis J.	March 12, 1997	Living - Active
Henke, Glennon L., Jr.	January 13, 1998	Living - Active
Hofer, Richard H., Sr.	September 6, 1990	Deceased (Life Dual)
Hood, Norval C.	July 28, 1998	Deceased

Jones, Dana E.	January 1, 1997	Living – Not Active
Northrop, Frances M.	January 9, 1991	Deceased
Raines, Clyde R.	January 24, 1997	Living - Active
Rainwater, Samuel J., Jr.	January 24, 1997	Living – Not Active
White, John W.	December 3, 1987	Living - Active
Wilkins, Oliver W.	August 3, 1998	Deceased

The Slate of Chapter Officers in 1997

President	Kenneth (Norm) Norman Hagan
Vice President	James (Jim) B. Elliot
Secretary	Richard (Dick) H. Hofer, Sr.
Treasurer	Robert (Bob) B. Baldwin
Genealogist	Richard (Dick) H. Hofer, Sr.
Registrar/Chaplain	Francis (Fran) M. Northrup
Historian	John W. White
Sergeant-at-Arms	Stuart (Stu) L. Ballou

Naming of the Chapter

The following information was provided by Compatriot Edward (Ed) S. Gray, Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. Ed has served as MOSSAR President (1992-1993), NSSAR VPG Foreign District - Western Hemisphere (1996) and NSSAR South-Central District VPG (2003). He received the NSSAR Minuteman Award in 2000.

“Gary William Beahan, who was then a member of the Christopher Casey Chapter and also the State Archivist, made an excellent presentation on the Battle of Fort San Carlos and talked at length about Fernando De Leyba and all the problems he had rallying the people of the then sleepy little village of St. Louis. He had problems with alcohol and was actually dying at the time, but he successfully defeated the combined English/Northern Woodland Indians during May, 1780. Gary later took me to the State Capitol and showed me the painting of the fight in the gallery of Missouri.

James L.R. Boyd, Jr., the organizing President of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter, called me and asked what I thought of some of the names being considered for the Chapter. I remember that he reported that someone suggested that they name it "Spirit of St. Charles." I reminded him that was a tour boat at the riverfront of St. Charles (owned by the same people who had Noah's Ark Restaurant in St. Charles). It was later sold to some interests in Louisville, was renamed "Spirit of Louisville" and was hit by a passing barge and sank at its moorings. Someone suggested naming it after their ancestor. I told James about the problems we had with naming a chapter after their ancestor and we decided that was not the route to go.

Having just heard and seen the evidence about Fernando de Leyba, Deputy Governor of the Spanish Territory of Louisiana, I suggested to Compatriot Boyd that his name be considered. He took that to the membership and they voted in the affirmative for that name. It was then approved by the MOSSAR Board of Directors at their next quarterly meeting. The Chapter was chartered with this name.

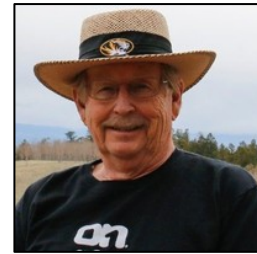
And as one of my favorite radio commentators would say...."Now you know the rest of the story!"



Compatriot Edward (Ed) S. Gray
Charter Member FDL Chapter.



Mural in the Missouri State Capitol
of the Battle of Fort San Carlos.



Gary William Beahan

Chapter Namesake

Don Fernando de Leyba was appointed governor of Upper Louisiana in June 1778. Though Spain was neutral until 1779, Fernando de Leyba contacted George Rogers Clark prior to this and provided support to the Americans. Fernando de Leyba was responsible for the construction of Fort San Carlos to defend St. Louis. The British, along with Native American allies, attacked on May 26, 1780 but were forced to retreat. We remember the crucial and not widely known support of the American Revolution received from Spain and honored it by naming our Chapter after Fernando de Leyba.

Battle of Fort San Carlos

In July, 1779, Spain joined the American Revolutionary War against Great Britain. Great Britain had ordered its generals in Canada to begin expeditions against Spanish settlements on the Mississippi River a few weeks before this. Their mission was to drive out the rebels led by George Rogers Clark and take control of St. Louis and the Mississippi River. George Rogers Clark learned of this and warned the Spanish Commandant at Saint Louis, Fernando de Leyba, in March 1780 to prepare for an attack. Fernando de Leyba began fortifying the village. With money from the villagers and his own resources, and with volunteer labor, he began to construct a tower, which we call Fort San Carlos, at what is now the intersection of 4th and Walnut Streets in St. Louis. He also had the villagers dig a mile-long trench from each side of the tower to the riverbank. The area includes the area at Ball Park Village where an SAR plaque has been placed. The Spanish brought cannons to place in the tower from an abandoned fort. Men as far away as the Cuivre River (Lincoln County) came to St. Louis to participate in the defense of St. Louis.

Around 1:00 p.m. on May 26, 1780 the large force of Indians, fur traders and seasoned troops under British command attacked the village. These attackers found the village to be protected by the tower and about 200 armed defenders. However, some villagers were surprised working in the fields, and about 25 were killed and 70 captured. The cannon fire alarmed the Indians and they withdrew. The British western campaign failed. The village of Saint Louis was never attacked again. The same day George Rogers Clark and his army defeated the British at Cahokia.

The Battle of Fort San Carlos is the furthest west recognized battle of the American Revolution.

Chapter Presidents during the first 22 years & Organizing Years.

Organizing President:

James L. R. Boyd, Jr. 1995-1996 and early 1997

Chapter Presidents:

Kenneth (Norm) Norman Hagen	1997 & 1998 (2 years)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	1999, 2000, 2001, & 2002 (4 years)*
Norval C. Hood, Jr.	2003 (1 year)
Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin	2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007 (4 years)*
Charles E. Lilly	2008, 2009, 2010, & 2011 (4 years)
Dennis J. Hahn	2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015 (4 years)
Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.	2016, 2017, 2018, & 2019 (4 years)

*Stephen M. Baldwin served a total of 8 years as Chapter President.



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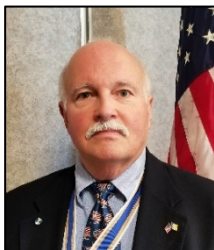
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Chapter Members that served as MOSSAR President.

Edward (Ed) S. Gray (Dual Member) (1992-1993), Robert (Bob) L. Grover (Dual Member) (1999-2000), Richard (Dick) H. Hofer, Sr. (Dual Member) (2000-2001), Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin (2003-2004), James (Jim) L. R. Boyd, Jr. (Dual Member) (2004-2005), Charles E. Lilly (2014-2015), and Dennis J. Hahn (2017-2018).

Chapter Growth and Membership

The Chapter has had a continued membership growth over the past 22 years. Since May 4, 1997 through December 31, 2018, 135 men (including Junior Members and Dual Members) have been members of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. Of that 135, 21 are deceased, 23 dropped their FDL and/or SAR membership, and 5 transferred out leaving 86 current members (full, junior, and dual), as of December 31, 2018.

Of the 135 men, 111 obtained SAR membership through the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. 24 men had SAR membership prior to joining the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.

With regard to the 23 Members who have dropped their FDL and/or SAR membership:

- 13 of the 23 dropped after the first year.
- 4 of the 23 dropped after the second year.
- 6 of the 23 dropped for other reasons.

There are 3 Charter Members (who were Dual Members) that have dropped their Fernando de Leyba Chapter membership. There are 2 Charter Members (who are Dual Members from other Chapters in the State) that have been members the entire 22 years of the Chapter's existence. They are Dr. Jerrell L. Driver (ALO) of Jackson, Missouri and Edward S. Gray (MAL) of Jefferson City, Missouri.

Chapter Meetings

The Fernando de Leyba Chapter has met in four locations to date. The Chapter first held its monthly meetings in the meeting room at Wiliker's Restaurant & Bar located at 1566 Country Club Plaza Drive in St. Charles (1997- September 2008). The second meeting location was in the meeting room of Culpepper's Grill & Bar located at 3010 West Clay Street, St. Charles (October 2008 – December 2017). The third meeting location was in the community meeting room at Schnuck Market (Schnucks Zumbahl) located at 1950 Zumbahl Road, St. Charles (January 2018 – September 2018). The fourth and current meeting location is a meeting room at Embassy Suites by Hilton St. Louis in St. Charles, 2 Convention Center Plaza, St Charles (starting October 2018).

Spouses of members are always welcome to attend the Chapter meetings, as are prospective members and their spouses. Compatriots usually start arriving between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. and have an informal dinner and socialize. The meeting starts at 7:00 and usually lasts no longer than two hours. The meeting typically consists of a business session including reports, awards, swearing in new members, presenting supplementals, and a presentation on a topic by either a Chapter Member or an outside guest. In April or May of each year the Nathan Futrell Society of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.), which is sponsored by the Chapter, presents a program of their activities for the past year.

Color Guard

Over the past 22 years a number of Compatriots have uniforms and participate in Color Guard activities. The Chapter Color Guard Members are very active. The current Eastern Missouri District Color Guard Commander and Chapter Color Guard Commander is Chapter Member William (Bill) A.G. Grote. The Color Guard's purpose is to teach about the American Revolution by displaying the various uniforms of our Patriots and honoring the flag of our country. The Color Guard is made up of both Continental Army and militia uniforms. Members try to be as authentic as possible with their uniforms. The Chapter Color Guard Members are a part of the Missouri SAR Society Color Guard. They are available for parades, Patriot and Compatriot grave markings, funerals, ceremonial functions, living history events, school events and lectures, DAR events, and other activities in the area and around the State. The Fernando de Leyba Chapter performs a musket salute whenever possible. The Chapter Color Guard Commanders have been Stuart (Stu) L. Ballou, Ray E. (Ed) Morris, William (Bill) A.G. Grote.

Charter Member Edward (Ed) S. Gray donated a musket to the Chapter in 2012, which can be used for ceremonies but cannot be fired. In 2014 Chapter Member Jonathan (Jon) D. Hunt donated 2 muskets to the Chapter. In 2018 Compatriot Hunt donated 3 additional muskets; one is a replica/non-firing and 2 can be fired. In summary, the Chapter has 6 muskets of which 4 can be fired and 2 cannot be fired.

Nathan Futrell Society, Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.)

The Chapter sponsors and supports the Nathan Futrell Society of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.). The Nathan Futrell Society is one of 15 C.A.R. societies in Missouri. The Nathan Futrell Society attends a Fernando de Leyba Chapter meeting annually in April or May to present a program about what they have done during the past year. They meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. They have an Online Book Club the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. They participate in the annual State meeting and in planned events. They participate in the annual 4th of July Parade in St. Charles.

Programs and Awards

The Chapter has been very active in the SAR Youth Programs. The Chapter has had the State Level Americanism Poster Contest winner twice, the brochure contest winner twice, the Knight Essay winner twice, the M. Graham Clark Elementary Teacher of the Year twice, and the M. Graham Clark High School American History Teacher of the Year twice. The Chapter has presented medals and/or certificates and/or cash awards to JROTC Cadets, Naval Sea Cadets, and Eagle Scouts but none were not selected for first place at the Missouri Society level.

The Chapter has been very active in presenting community awards. Each year the Chapter strives to recognize those that serve the St. Charles City and County community. Multiple Law Enforcement Medals and Certificates, Fire Safety Commendation Medals and Certificates, Emergency Medical Service Medals and Certificates, and Heroism Medals and Certificates have been presented.

The Chapter strives to recognize DAR Members, spouses, and other women that provide assistance in the Chapter's programs and recruiting new SAR Members.

The Chapter presents award medals and certificates to its members, including the NSSAR Membership Pins and Military Service Medals.

Since November 2013, the Chapter has joined with the Saint Charles Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in volunteering to work at a concession stand at the Family Arena in St. Charles to raise funds for supporting the Chapter's Youth Awards, Community Awards, and Chapter Awards Programs.

In 2014 Chapter Member Jonathan Hunt donated funds to create the "Pvt. Jonathan Hunt Memorial Fund" to support the financial awards of the Chapter's Youth Programs for a 10-year period. There is a requirement that the Chapter participate in each financial award given.

At the 126th NSSAR Congress in 2016 (July 8-13, 2016) the Fernando de Leyba Chapter received the President General's Cup Certificate for 2015, which is given to the National level chapter, based upon size, presenting evidence of the most complete program of activities. At the 128th NSSAR Congress in 2018 (July 11-19, July 2018), the Chapter received the award again.

The Chapter received the Missouri Society Annual Josiah Fogg Award six (6) times; once as a small chapter in 2005 and five (5) times as a large chapter in 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016.

The Chapter received the Missouri Society Annual Yohe Chapter Yearbook First Place Award four (4) times in 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2017 (tied with OMC). Notwithstanding that the Chapter did not receive first place in 2015 and 2016, we believe the Chapter had outstanding yearbooks for those years.

The Chapter received the first-place award for presenting the most NSSAR Flag Commendation Certificates for the years 2016 and 2017.

The Chapter received the Missouri Society level Annual Americanism First Place Award three out of four times that the State has participated. The Chapter won the Missouri Society Americanism First Place Award for 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Chapter Website, Facebook, and YouTube

The first Chapter Website was created by Compatriot Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin in 2001. He maintained the Website until Compatriot Charles (Chuck) W. Simms took it over in 2004. Compatriot John E. Rush II took a Website class and created a new Website for the Chapter in 2012. Compatriot Rush maintained the Website through May 2015. Compatriot Dennis J. Hahn maintained the Website from June 2015 until the summer of 2017. Compatriots David (Dave) M. Hill and Matthew (Matt) L. Swanson created a new Website, Facebook page, and a YouTube site during the summer of 2017. Compatriot Hill has served as Webmaster since the summer of 2017.

The current Website contains a Home Page that indicates (1) the SAR is a historical, educational, and patriotic non-profit legacy organization, (2) who can join the SAR, and (3) how to join the SAR. You can access the Chapters Facebook page and YouTube site via the Home

Page. There is an Events Tab that indicates Upcoming Events and a Calendar. The About Us Tab includes current information on the Chapter, Fernando de Leyba, Chapter History, Contact Information, and Current Officers. The Community Tab includes information about the Youth Programs/Contests. The Video Tab takes you to a Fernando de Leyba Chapter YouTube site, which includes Chapter meeting presentations and links to other videos of interest. The Members Tab includes current and past Chapter Newsletters (the “*Cannoneer*”), a listing of current Chapter Members along with their documented SAR Patriots, and a listing of deceased members. The Links Tab includes Organizations, Genealogy, (sources for) Uniforms and Accessories, American History, Travel (American Revolution Sites), Support Us, and a MOSSAR Presentation by Compatriots Dave Hill and Matt Swanson on “How to make your chapter standout by using a Website and Facebook”.



Matthew (Matt) L. Swanson

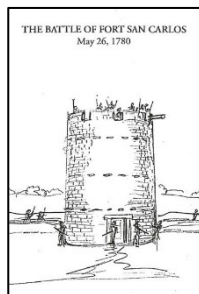


David (Dave) M. Hill

Photos provided by Compatriot Greg Landrum (FDL).

Highlighted Activities of the Chapter

The Chapter is a member of the Commemoration Committee for the Battle of Fort San Carlos. The Committee consists of people and organizations interested in the history of St. Louis, the history of the American Revolution, and simply history in general. Some members are descendants of the players in the saga of the Battle for St. Louis at Fort San Carlos. Many belong to such organizations as the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Sons of the Revolution, the National Society of New England Women, Daughters of Colonial Wars, Daughters of the American Colonists and the Landmarks Association. Several members are active or retired teachers of history, members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Societe Francaise.



A drawing from the Committee for the Commemoration of the Battle of Fort San Carlos Website.

The Chapter and several members of the Chapter are members of the NSSAR Friends of the Library.



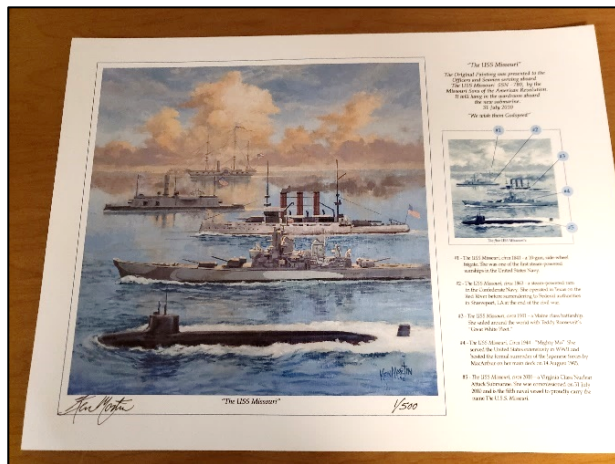
The Chapter commissioned the creation of a custom painting of U.S. Navy ships named Missouri. The painting was placed on the current USS Missouri, a fast attack nuclear submarine. The artist was Ken Martin of St. Peters, Missouri.



Charles E. Lilly presenting the painting of the USS Missouri's to the Commander of the new Submarine USS Missouri, Commander Timothy Rexrode.



Missouri Governor Jeremiah Wilson "Jay" Nixon presenting the USS Missouri silver service.



Print of the USS Missouri Painting



Missouri Governor Jay Nixon and FDL Compatriot Paul Smith.



FDL Compatriots David Christian and Charles Lilly and St. Louis TV Reporter Al Wiman.



Charles Lilly with the new USS Missouri in the background.



Artist Ken Martin.

Photos provided by Compatriot Charles (Chuck) W. Simms (FDL).

The Missouri Sons of the American Revolution commissioned St. Charles County artist, Ken Martin, to create a painting of the newest *USS Missouri*. Preceded by four other vessels of the same name, the latest *USS Missouri* is a Virginia Class Nuclear Attack Submarine. The official commissioning of the vessel was held at the New London Naval Submarine Base in Groton, CT on 31 July, 2010. The painting was presented to Commander Timothy Rexrode prior to the commissioning ceremony by officers of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter of the Missouri Society, SAR. It will hang on the wardroom bulkhead aboard the *USS Missouri*, SSN - 780.

The previous vessels which carried the same name were; *The USS Missouri, circa 1847* - a 10-gun side-wheel, steam-assisted frigate, *The USS Missouri, circa 1863* - a Confederate side-wheel ram which operated on the Red River in Texas before surrendering to Union forces, *The USS Missouri, circa 1906*, a Maine class battleship which sailed around the world with the "Great White Fleet" and the *USS Missouri, circa 1944* - "Mighty Mo" who secured her place in history when MacArthur accepted the surrender of the Japanese forces aboard on 14 August, 1945.

In 2008, Ken Martin was selected by U.S. Representative and Compatriot Todd Akin, to create an ornament representing Missouri's 2nd District for the White House Christmas Tree. The ornament had as it's theme "*Missouri's River Boats*" and depicted The Lewis & Clark Discovery Boat, a James B. Eads Civil War Ironclad and *The Bright Star*, a Missouri River Packet Steamer. The Fernando de Leyba Chapter became aware of the ornament and invited Martin to come and speak at a Chapter meeting about the project. They then decided to commission Martin to do a painting representing the five historic vessels which have carried the name, "*The USS Missouri*".

Part 2 of 3

The Chapter participated before and after the National Society approved the Annual Commemoration of the Battle of Fort San Carlos in St. Louis as an NSSAR Annual Historic Sites and Celebrations Event ("National Color Guard Event"). Based on information gathered by Dennis J. Hahn (FDL) and William (Bill) L. Groth, Jr. (SSL), Compatriot Hahn (FDL) prepared a presentation and Chapter Member Charles E. Lilly (FDL) made the presentation to the NSSAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee at the NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting on September 27, 2013. The Committee approved the event to become a NSSAR Annual Historic Sites and Celebrations Event. The first approved event was held on May 25, 2014.



Color Guard Members at the Commemoration held on May 20, 2018.

Front row, left to right: Steve Frash, Ohio Society Color Guard Commander; Don Turner (OPC); Stephen Sullins, President IPC; Doug Neff (FDL), MOSSAR Color Guard Commander; and Bill Grote (FDL), Eastern Missouri District Color Guard Commander.

Back row, left to right; Charles Lilly (FDL); Ron Pennington (SSL); and Terry Grogan (SSL).

Photo provided by Compatriot Greg Landrum (FDL).

The Chapter participated in the placing by the Missouri Society a plaque near Busch Stadium at Ball Park Village commemorating the Battle of Fort San Carlos. The Missouri Society approved placing the plaque and approved paying for 50% of the cost of the plaque. The National Society paid for 50% of the cost of the plaque. The Lewis and Clark Career Center in St. Charles constructed the pedestal for the plaque at no cost to the Society. The John Smith Masonry Company donated the bricks and capstone for the pedestal. Ball Park Village CEO Jim Watry arranged for a dedication on May 25, 2014 inside Ball Park Village and provided an outdoor site for placement of the pedestal and dedication on April 24, 2015.



Left to right: Dennis J. Hahn (FDL), MOSSAR Plaque Coordinator; Jim Watry, CEO Ball Park Village; Jose Molina, Jr., Honorary Consul of Spain; Richard (Dick) T. Bryant (AMC), Immediate Past MOSSAR President; Joseph (Joe) W. Dooley, NSSAR President General; and Charles E. Lilly (FDL), MOSSAR President.

Photo provided by Shirley A. Hahn.



April 24, 2015 dedication of the monument with plaque.

At the monument, left to right: Brian Smith of John Smith Masonry Co., Jim Watry, Chief Operating Officer of Ball Park Village; J. Wayne Merrill (MGC), Missouri Society Chaplain; Joe Dooley, NSSAR President General (2013-2014); Dick Bryant (AMC), Missouri Society President (2013-2014); and Charles Lilly (FDL), Missouri Society President (2014-2015).

Back row: NSSAR Registrar General Russ DeVenney; Ernie Mowry (CCC), President of Christopher Casey Chapter; Ron Pennington (SSL); Milan Paddock (SSL/FDL); Bill Grote (FDL), Eastern Missouri District Color Guard Commander; Greg Watkins (SSL); Bob Corum (WCC); and Dennis Hahn (FDL), President of Fernando de Leyba Chapter.

Photo provided by Shirley A. Hahn.

The Chapter participated in the placing of a plaque by the Missouri Society with Lindenwood University in St. Charles and the Daniel Boone Home in Defiance at the Boone Home honoring Patriot Daniel Boone on May 17, 2015. MOSSAR President Robert J. Corum participated in the

plaque dedication. The plaque was not installed in 2015 in the new Welcome Pavilion, as the Boone Home indicated would occur. In 2016 the Boone Home was deeded over to St. Charles County. In 2016-2017 the St. Charles County Parks Department worked with Compatriot Dennis J. Hahn (FDL) to have the plaque placed on a stone pedestal. The Lewis and Clark Career Center in St. Charles at no cost constructed a stone pedestal for the Daniel Boone plaque and a stone pedestal for the Nathan Boone plaque provided by The Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Missouri. St. Charles County donated the materials for the pedestals. Dedication of the two plaques took place on May 6, 2017. MOSSAR President Dennis J. Hahn participated in the plaque dedication.



May 17, 2015 Dedication
MOSSAR President Robert J. Corum (WCC) participated in the plaque dedication.



May 6, 2017 Dedication
MOSSAR President Dennis J. Hahn (FDL) participated in the plaque dedication.



May 17, 2015 Dedication

MOSSAR Members, Left to Right: Steve Baldwin (FDL), Ernie Mowry (CCC), John Rush (FDL), Robert Corum (WCC), Dennis Hahn (FDL), Michael Shea (FDL), and Jim Borgman (FDL).



May 6, 2017 Dedication

Fernando de Leyba Chapter Members
Left to right: Bill Grote, Michael Shea; Dennis Hahn; Steve White; Charles Lilly; Milan Paddock; Doug Neff; and Greg Landrum. Missing from photo are Steve Baldwin and Jan Beardsley.

Photos provided by Compatriots Dennis Hahn (FDL) and Greg Landrum (FDL).

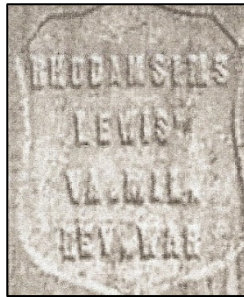
The Chapter participated in the placing by the Missouri Society a plaque at the National Churchill Museum in Fulton, Missouri commemorating the "Iron Curtain Speech" and honoring Compatriots Sir Winston Churchill and President Harry S Truman.



MOSSAR & KSSAR Color Guard Members presenting the Colors. MOSSAR President Dennis J. Hahn (FDL) presided at the plaque dedication.

Photos by Compatriot Greg Landrum (FDL)

Grave Marking of Patriot Ancestor of Chapter Member



Tombstone of Patriot Rhodam Simms



Compatriot Charles (Chuck) W. Simms speaking on the life of Patriot Rhodam Simms.



Left to right: MOSSAR Chaplain J. Wayne Merrill (MGC); William (Bill) Groth (SSL); FDL Chapter President Charles E. Lilly; Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin (FDL); John E. Rush (FDL); William J. (Jim) Jackson (SSL); Alvin (Al) L. Paris (IPC).



Left to right: Ellie, Melinda, Samantha, and Charles (Chuck) W. Simms.



Left to right: Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin (FDL); William (Bill) Groth (SSL); FDL Chapter President Charles E. Lilly; William J. (Jim) Jackson (SSL); Alvin (Al) L. Paris (IPC); MOSSAR Chaplain J. Wayne Merrill (MGC); John E. Rush (FDL); and Loretta Paris (DAR), wife of Al Paris.

Photos provided by Compatriot Charles (Chuck) W. Simms.

On July 23, 2011 a grave marking ceremony was held for Patriot Rhodam Simms, ancestor of Compatriot Charles (Chuck) W. Simms (FDL). The grave is located at the Crawford Cemetery, Route 0, Ralls County, Missouri. Fernando de Leyba Chapter President Charles E. Lilly gave a welcome and extended greetings to those in attendance. Many descendants were present. Missouri Society Color Guard Members presented the Colors. MOSSAR Chaplain J. Wayne Merrill lead the invocation. Compatriot Simms introduced family members and guests. Guests included members of the Hannibal Heritage DAR Chapter. Compatriot Simms spoke on the life of Patriot Rhodam Simms. The SAR marker was dedicated was led by Compatriot Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin (FDL).

Community Awards/Recognition

The Chapter annually strives to select Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Fire Safety, Law Enforcement and Heroism Awardees. These awards can be made at the Chapter, Missouri Society, or National Society levels. Awardees receive an SAR Medal and Certificate. Awardees will be listed in the Annual National Society Public Service booklet.

The Chapter participates in the State Society's annual Flag Commendation Certificate Award contest. Flag Commendation Certificates can be given to individuals, schools, businesses, and organizations that properly fly the flag of the United States of America. The contest has been in place for two years. The Chapter came in second the first year and first the second year.

The Chapter participates in the State Society's annual Yohe Chapter Yearbook Award and has received first place six years.

Wreaths Across America

The Fernando de Leyba (FDL) Chapter annually participates with the Spirit of St. Louis (SSL) Chapter in Wreaths Across America at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, Missouri. Compatriot Keith E. Morris (FDL) has planned a route for placing a wreath at the grave of each deceased Compatriot and Patriot buried at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, which is used annually.



Keith E. Morris (FDL) Governor of The Mayflower Society of Missouri speaking at the Wreaths Across America Program on December 12, 2015.



From left to right, kneeling: Keith Morris (FDL) & Dennis Hahn (FDL). From left to right standing: Steve White (FDL), Bill Grote (FDL), Doug Neff (FDL), Rick Strelinger (SSL), & Steve Baldwin (FDL) on December 12, 2015.



Left to right: Frank Furman (OPC); Steve Biggs (SSL); Terry Grogan (SSL); Bill Grote (FDL), Eastern Missouri; District Color Guard Commander; Don Turner (OPC). Not pictured are Keith Morris (FDL), Paul Smith (FDL), Sumner Hunnewell (SSL), and John Bedell (SSL), on December 15, 2018.

Graves of Compatriots at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery as of December 2018.

Fernando de Leyba Chapter Compatriots

Compatriot Robert (Bob) Baldwin
 Compatriot Stuart (Stu) Ballou
 Compatriot David Bell
 Compatriot James (Jim) Elliott
 Compatriot James (Jim) McPherson
 Compatriot Ray Edward (Ed) Morris
 Compatriot Marty White

Spirit of St. Louis Chapter Compatriots

Compatriot William (Bill) Beswick (Dual with FDL)
 Compatriot Rodwell Dilthey
 Compatriot John (Jack) Hillemeier
 Compatriot Rogers Hunter
 Compatriot Wallace Leard

Graves of Patriots at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.



Pvt. Samuel Kennerly



Pvt. Richard Gentry



Col. Thomas Hunt



Maj. Russell Bissell

Responsibilities of the Chapter

Annually the Chapter President has the responsibility to recommend to the Missouri Society Nominating Committee chapter members that should be considered to hold State Society Office. The Fernando de Leyba Chapter presidents have submitted the names of Chapter Members for consideration to serve as a Missouri Society Officer.

Missouri Society Officers, Chapter Presidents, and Honorary Vice Presidents make up the Board of Directors. The Board meets quarterly - the last Saturday of January, April, July and October. Each Fernando de Leyba Chapter president and Missouri Society Officer have been faithful in attending the quarterly MOSSAR Board Meetings.

Chapters are encouraged to participate in the programs promoted by the National and Missouri Societies. The Fernando de Leyba Chapter has annually participated in the programs.

Chapters are required to observe the National Society Constitution and Bylaws and the Missouri Society Constitution and Bylaws. The Fernando de Leyba Chapter strives to faithfully observe the constitution and bylaws of both the National and Missouri Societies.

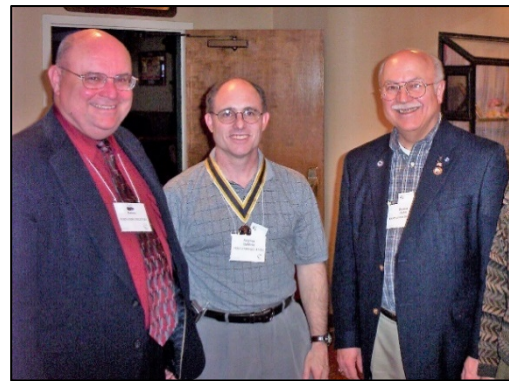
Since becoming a large chapter within the Missouri Society, the Fernando de Leyba Chapter has had the responsibility to host the Missouri Society Annual Convention. The Chapter has hosted 3 times to date in 2004, 2011, and 2018. The Chapter is scheduled to host again in 2025.

114th MOSSAR Annual Convention Hosted by Fernando de Leyba Chapter at Holiday Inn, St. Peters, MO.

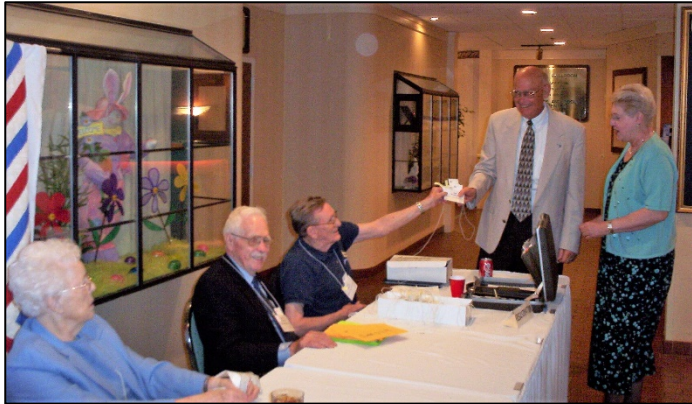
April 23-24, 2004



Color Guard at the 2004 MOSSAR Convention
Left to right: Russ DeVenney (MGC), Ed Morris (FDL), Norval Hood (FDL), Robert Grover (HST), James Scott (IPC), and Jim Boyd (SSL/FDL). – In front to the left is Charles (Chuck) W. Simms (FDL).



FDL Chapter Members, left to right: Bob Raines; Steve Baldwin, Presiding MOSSAR President; and Dennis Hahn.



Registration Table: Left to right: Marjorie Northrup, Fran Northrup (FDL), Bob Baldwin (FDL), Jim Borgman (FDL), and Diane Borgman.



Left to right: Ed Morris (FDL) and Norval Hood (FDL).



Presiding MOSSAR President (2003-2004) was Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin (FDL)



Incoming MOSSAR President was James L. R. Boyd, Jr. (SSL and FDL)



Keynote Speaker Major Steven J. Rauch (Retired U.S. Army).

Photos provided by Compatriot Charles (Chuck) W. Simms (FDL)

The Presiding MOSSAR President (2003-2004) was Stephen (Steve) M. Baldwin (FDL). The incoming MOSSAR President was James L. R. Boyd, Jr. (SSL and FDL). The Friday evening Reception was held in the O'Fallon Room of the Holiday Inn, St. Peters, Missouri. The Friday evening keynote speaker was Major Steven J. Rauch (U.S. Army retired). His program was a presentation on the Battle of Yorktown. The Installation Banquet was held Saturday evening in the O'Fallon Room. Awards were presented by President Baldwin to many Compatriots for their service to the Missouri Society and their respective chapters.

**121st MOSSAR Annual Convention Hosted by
Fernando de Leyba Chapter at Sheraton Westport Plaza
Hotel St. Louis, Maryland Heights, MO.**

April 29-30, 2011



NSSAR Secretary General
Larry J. Magerkurth (Dual
Member of MOSSAR/FDL).



Presiding MOSSAR President
Clifford (Cliff) Charles Olsen II
(CCC).



Incoming MOSSAR President
Denis Ray Craft (OMC).



Artist Ken Martin
(USS Missouri Painting).



Left to right: VG South-Central District Harry M. File;
NSSAR Secretary General Larry J. Magerkurth (Dual
Member of FDL); President General (2008-2009)
David N. Appleby (OMC); MOSSAR President
Clifford Olsen (CCC); and President of Alabama State
Society Dr. C. David Billings.



Left to right: President General (2008-2009)
David N. Appleby (OMC); MOSSAR President
Clifford Olsen (CCC); and Artist Ken Martin with
Missouri SAR Gold Medal and Certificate for his painting
of the various USS Missouri.



Color Guard at the 2011 MOSSAR Convention.
 First Row, left to right: Robert Grover (HST), Keith Brown (SSL), Gerald McCoy (OMC), J. Wayne Merrill (MGC), and James Boyd (SSL/FDL).
 Second Row, left to right: Jonathan Hunt, Wilber Kephart (MWC), Bill Grote (FDL), Dirk Stapleton (HST), Bill Brindell (SSL), and James Scott (IPC).
 Missing from the photo are Steve Baldwin (FDL), Charles Lilly (FDL), and R. Ed Morris (FDL).



Women's Quartet provided entertainment Friday evening. Pictured in the middle is Pam Cook, wife of Compatriot Jerry Cook (FDL).



Keynote Speaker Congressman W. Todd Akin (FDL).



Front row, left to right: Keith Brown (SSL), Russell DeVenney (MGC), Robert Grover (HST), MOSSAR Presiding President Clifford Olsen (CCC), Gerald McCoy (OMC), J. Wayne Merrill (MGC), and James Scott (IPC).
 Second row, left to right: Charles Lilly (FDL), Bill Brindell (SSL), Jonathan Hunt (SSL/FDL), Wilber J. Kephart (MWC), Milan Paddock (SSL/FDL), Incoming MOSSAR President Dennis Craft, James Boyd (SSL/FDL), and Dirk Stapleton (HST).

Photos provided by Compatriot Robert A. Ackley (SSL).

The Presiding MOSSAR President was Clifford (Cliff) Charles Olsen II (2010-2011) (CCC). The incoming MOSSAR President was Denis Ray Craft (2011-2012) (OMC). On Friday evening MOSSAR Secretary General Larry J. Magerkurth (Dual MOSSAR & FDL Members) provided greetings and provided an update on the National Society. At the Saturday evening Installation Banquet Congressman W. Todd Akin (FDL) shared his thoughts on why our American Revolution was successful when other revolutions around the world have often failed. Awards were presented by President Olsen to many Compatriots for their service to the Missouri Society and their respective chapters.

Part 3 of 3

**128th MOSSAR Annual Convention Hosted by
Fernando de Leyba Chapter at Embassy Suites by Hilton,
St. Charles, MO.**

April 27-28, 2018



MOSSAR Colorguardsmen and the Lewis & Clark Fife and Drum Corp of St. Charles

MOSSAR Colorguardsmen, left to right: Charles McMillan (OMC), MOSSAR Sgt-at-Arms; James Scott (IPC), MOSSAR Western District Color Guard Commander; Doug Neff (FDL), MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Elect; Wayne Davis (SSL); Richard Mathews (AMC), MOSSAR Historian; Don Turner (OPC); Marvin Koechig (FDL), FDL Chapter President; Frank Furman (OMC); Russell DeVenney (MGC), NSSAR Registrar General 2015-2016 & 2016-2017 and NSSAR Recording Secretary 2013-2014 & 2014-2015; Steven Sullins (IPC), IPC Chapter President; Greg Watkins (SSL); Charles Lilly (FDL), MOSSAR Honorary Vice President; and William David (FDL), Junior Member.



Left to right: J.Y. Miller (MGC), Jim Borgman (FDL), Steve Hayes (FDL), and Bill Groth (SSL) at the reception desk.



One of the many tables at the Annual Convention. FDL Chapter Members at the table are Jan Beardsley, spouse Verna Raines, Bob Raines, David Christian, and Steve Baldwin.



MOSSAR Board/Business Meeting at the 128th Annual Convention

Left to right: MOSSAR Genealogist R. Christian Sizemore (WCC); PG Larry T. Guzy; VPG South-Central District Robert N. Capps, Jr. (KSSAR & HST); MOSSAR Secretary George S. Swales, Jr. (OMC); MOSSAR Registrar & Executive Secretary J. Michael Robertson (WCC); MOSSAR Treasurer Courtney Sloan (HST); and MOSSAR Executive Vice President J. Wayne Merrill (MGC).



NSSAR Secretary General
Larry T. Guzy



VPG South-Central District
Robert N. Capps, Jr.
(KSSAR & HST)



Presiding MOSSAR President
Dennis J. Hahn (FDL)



Incoming MOSSAR President
J. Wayne Merrill (MGC)



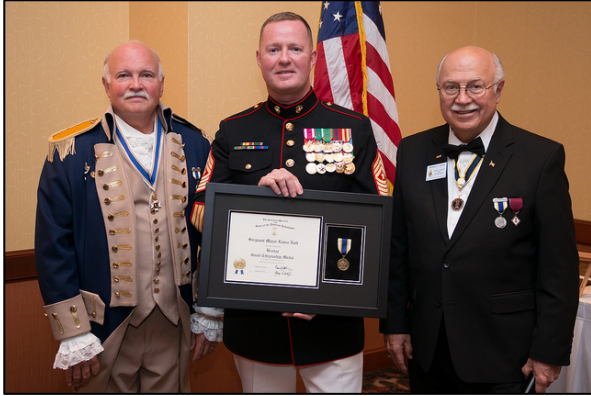
Left to right: NSSAR President General Larry T. Guzy; MOSSAR President Dennis J. Hahn; NG South-Central District Robert N. Capps, Jr.; and Fernando de Leyba Chapter President Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.



Change of MOSSAR Color Guard Commander
On left: Incoming MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Douglas E. Neff (FDL) and on the right outgoing MOSSAR Color Guard Commander William (Bill) L. Groth, Jr. (SSL).



Left to right: MOSSAR President Dennis J. Hahn; Friday Keynote Speaker Stephen L. Kling, Jr.; and Chapter President Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.



Chapter President Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.; Saturday Keynote Speaker US Marine Sergeant Major Lance Nutt; and MOSSAR President Dennis J. Hahn (FDL).

Photos provided by Compatriot Gregory ((Greg) A. Landrum

The Presiding MOSSAR President was Dennis J. Hahn (2017-2018) (FDL). The incoming MOSSAR President was J. Wayne Merrill (2018-2019) (MGC). Participating with the MOSSAR Color Guard at the opening banquet was the Lewis & Clark Fife and Drum Corp of St. Charles. The National Anthem was sung by Erin Morris. Greetings were brought by Susan Bowman, Missouri DAR Regent; Joanna Bradley, Missouri C.A.R. Senior President; Jeff Collett on behalf of Laura Kathryn Grace DeVenney, Missouri C.A.R. President; Robert N. Capps, Jr., NSSAR Vice President General, South-Central District; and Larry T. Guzy, NSSAR President General. The Friday evening Keynote Speaker was Stephen L. Kling, Jr., Author of the Battle of St. Louis (Battle of Fort San Carlos). On Saturday evening the National Anthem was sung by Charles Glenn (who sings the National Anthem at the St. Louis Blues Games). The Saturday evening Keynote Speaker was U.S. Marine Sergeant Major Lance Nutt, Founder of Sheep Dog Impact Assistance. A change of MOSSAR Color Guard Commanders was conducted. Outgoing MOSSAR Color Guard Commander William (Bill) Groth (SSL) passed command to Doug Neff (FDL). The Ladies Auxiliary MOSSAR announced that a record amount was received from the Silent Auction. NSSAR President General Larry T. Guzy conducted the installation of MOSSAR Officers for 2018-2019. Awards were presented by President Hahn to many Compatriots for their service to the Missouri Society and their respective chapters.

2018 Officers of the Chapter are as follows.

President: Marvin R. Koechig, Jr. Vice President: Michael A. Shea / John A. Swanson
Secretary: Roy L. Snyder Treasurer: James B. Borgman Sgt At Arms: William A.G. Grote
Historian: Dennis J. Hahn Genealogist: Douglas E. Neff Registrar: Dennis J. Hahn
Chaplain: Paul E. Smith, Jr.



Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.



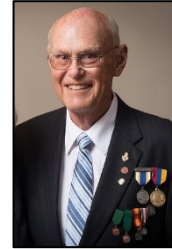
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John A. Swanson



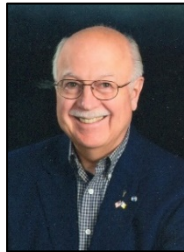
Roy L. Snyder



James B. Borgman



William A.G. Grote



Dennis J. Hahn



Douglas E. Neff



Paul E. Smith, Jr.

Chapter Members as of December 31, 2018

© = Charter Member

As of December 31, 2018, the Chapter has 86 active members (72 Full Members, 9 Junior Members, and 5 Dual Members). Listed below are the Chapter Members, as of December 31, 2018.

Member

Baldwin, Alexander L.

Baldwin, Caleb B.

Baldwin, Clark A.

Baldwin, Stephen M. ©

Barry, Cole David (Junior Member)

Bast, Robert O., Jr.

Beardsley, Jan A.

Bednar, Gary

Borgman, James B. ©

Boyd, James L. R., Jr. © Honorary Vice President for Life (Dual Member) – (Primary Chapter is Spirit of St. Louis)

Boyd, Michael F. (Dual Member - Primary Chapter is Monterey Bay Chapter, California Society.)
Busken, Thomas M.
Carsten, Timothy J. (Junior Member)
Christian, David S.
Chumley, James T.
Cook, Jerry L.
Cox, David S.
David, William E. (Junior Member)
Denning, Richard A.
Driver, Jerrell L. © (Dual Member – MOSSAR Primary Chapter is Allen Laws Oliver)
Frothingham, Lawrence E.
Gray, Edward S. © (Dual Member – MOSSAR Member-at-Large)
Greene, Kyle R.
Greene, Richard R.
Grote, William A.G.
Hagen, Lars Erik
Hahn, Dennis J. ©
Hauser, Ronald D. (Sworn in under the name of Ronald D. Pennington)
Hayes, Steven R.
Henke, Glennon L., Jr. ©
Hill, David M.
Hoffman, David J.
Horn, Richard A.
Hoskins, James J.
House, Ted
Hunt, Jonathan D.
Jackson, William James
Jefferson, Charles T.
Kasper, Kurtis L.
Kirtlink, Jimmie D.
Koechig, Marvin R., Jr.
Koechig, Nicholas M.
Land, Charles L.
Landrum, Gregory A.
Lilly, Charles E.
Miller, Douglas D.
Morris, Keith E.
Morton, Richard M.
Neff, Douglas E.
Nickell, Shawn D.
Pohle, Carl C.
Pruitt, Walter W.
Raines, Clyde R. ©
Rhoads, Donald C.
Schnelting, Adam N.

Shea, Benjamin R.
 Shea, Michael A.
 Simon, Dr. Paul B.
 Simon, Peter E. (Junior Member)
 Simon, William G. (Junior Member)
 Smith, Paul E., Jr.
 Snider, Michael G.
 Snyder, Ray W.
 Snyder, Roy L.
 Snyder, William R. (Junior Member)
 Spratt, William R.
 Spratt, Hogan L. (Junior Member)
 Stegen, Steven G.
 Stevens, Austin J.
 Stevens, Jeffrey R. T.
 Sullivan, Jeffrey W.
 Swanson, Alex J. (Junior Member)
 Swanson, John A.
 Swanson, John A.B., II
 Swanson, Matthew L. (Junior Member)
 Swanson, Scott T.
 Tankersley, Randy J.
 Warner, Randall D.
 Watkins, Justin F.M.
 White, John W. ©
 White, Steven M.
 Williams, Scott K.
 Wilson, John A. (Dual Member – Primary with Colorado Society)
 Wiseman, Dale L.
 Wood, Thomas M.
 Zancanata, Chase H.
 Zimmer, Michael L.

Deceased Members

Since May 4, 1997, 21 Chapter Members are deceased; 19 Full Members and 2 Dual Members.

Robert (Bob) Burton Baldwin, 91 (December 14, 1920 - January 9, 2012)

He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. He is the father of Compatriot Stephen M. Baldwin. Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

Stuart (Stu) L. Ballou, 80 (August 29, 1927 - February 8, 2008)

He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

David H. Bell, 90 (December 2, 1921 - June 23, 2012)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.
Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

William (Bill) R. Beswick 90 (July 21, 1921 - Dec 8, 2011) He was a dual member with primary membership with the Spirit of St. Louis Chapter. Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

James (Jim) B. Elliott 82 (July 12, 1918 - June 26, 2001)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.
Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

Roger C. Fuqua 87 (February 21, 1917 - January 3, 2005)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.
Interment was at the Pawhuska City Cemetery, Pawhuska, OK 74036-2603

Kenneth Norman (Norm) Hagan, 89, (June 16, 1929 - June 18, 2018)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.
Interment was at Interment Cemetery of Our Lady, Lake Saint Louis, MO.

Richard (Dick) H. Hofer, Sr. 69 (January 15, 1935 - April 24, 2004)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. He was a dual member with primary membership with the Spirit of St. Louis Chapter. Interment was at Bellerive Gardens Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

Norval C. Hood, Jr. 87 (June 2, 1923 - October 18, 2010)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.
Interment was at the Salem Lutheran Evangelical Cemetery, Florissant, MO.

Theodore S. Hunt, Jr. 77 (December 15, 1937 – September 20, 2015) He is the father of Compatriot Jonathan (Jon) D. Hunt. Jon obtained a Memorial Membership for his father as of in April 2016. Services were private. He resided in Greencastle, PA.

William (Bill) Lee Jackson, 70 (June 30, 1943 - April 19, 2014)
He is the father of Compatriot William J. (Jim) Jackson. Interment was private.

James Lyle McPherson, 68 (July 6, 1945 - February 18, 2014)
Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

Ray Edward (Ed) Morris 78 (August 13, 1933 - September 21, 2011)
He is the father of Compatriot Keith E. Morris. Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

Francis (Fran) M. Northrop 88 (April 15, 1921 - February 8, 2010)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.
Interment was at the Mount Lebanon Cemetery, St. Ann, MO.

Milan Albert Paddock 76 (June 17, 1941 – December 20, 2017)
He became an SAR Member through the Spirit of St. Louis Chapter in 2007. He became a dual member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter on in 2012. He became a full member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter in February 2017. Services were private. Interment was at the Paddock-Flagg Cemetery, Moro, Madison County, Illinois.

Hardy Joseph Barry Pottinger II, 96 (June 21, 1921 – December 15, 2017)
He joined the SAR in June 2017. Services were private. He resided in Paducah, KY.

John C Soucy, Jr., M.D. 81 (April 5, 1935 – May 10, 2016) He became a member of the SAR in 2010 and transferred his membership from Utah to the Fernando de Leyba Chapter on January 9, 2012. Interment was at St. Joseph's Catholic Church Cemetery, Cottleville, MO.

Melvin (Mel) C. Watkins 86 (May 23, 1925 - September 27, 2011)
Interment was private at the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Florissant, MO.

White, Martin Edward 72 (January 7, 1943 – April 17, 2015)
He is the father of Compatriot Steven M. White. Interment was at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

Oliver W. Wilkins 78 (October 10, 1929 - October 14, 2007)
He was a Charter Member of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.
Interment was at the St. Charles Borromeo Cemetery, St. Charles, MO.

William (Bill) L. Winham 71 (February 21, 1946 – May 28, 2017)
He became a member of the SAR in November, 2015. He was born in St. Louis, MO and resided in O'Fallon, MO at the time of his death. Interment was private.

Fernando d Leyba Chapter Chapter Officers 1997-2018

Honorary Vice President for Life with the Fernando de Leyba Chapter was given in 1997 to Spirit of St. Louis (SSL) Chapter Members James (Jim) L.R. Boyd, Jr. and Richard (Dick) H. Hofer, Sr. who were instrumental in starting the Fernando de Leyba Chapter. Jim Boyd served as the Organizing President of the Chapter.

1997

President - Kenneth (Norm) N. Hagan
Vice President - James (Jim) B. Elliot
Secretary - Richard (Dick) H. Hofer Sr.
Treasurer - Robert (Bob) B. Baldwin
Genealogist – Richard (Dick) H. Hofer, Sr.
Registrar/Chaplain - Francis (Fran) M. Northrup
Historian - John W. White
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Historian - Jeffrey (Jeff) W. Sullivan
Sergeant-at-Arms - William (Bill) A.G. Grote

2014

President – Dennis J. Hahn
Vice President – Martin (Marty) E. White
Secretary – Paul E. Smith, Jr.
Treasurer – James (Jim) B. Borgman
Genealogist – John E. Rush II
Registrar/Chaplain - Rev. John A. Wilson
Historian - Jeffrey (Jeff) W. Sullivan
Sergeant-at-Arms - William (Bill) A.G. Grote

2015

President – Dennis J. Hahn
Vice President – Martin (Marty) White / Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.
Secretary – Michael A. Shea
Treasurer – James (Jim) B. Borgman
Genealogist - John E. Rush II / Clyde Robert (Bob) Raines
Registrar – John E. Rush II / Dennis J. Hahn
Chaplain - Rev. John A. Wilson
Historian - Jeffrey (Jeff) W. Sullivan
Sergeant-at-Arms - William (Bill) A.G. Grote

2017

President –Marvin R. Koechig, Jr.
Vice President – Michael A. Shea
Secretary - Richard (Rick) M. Morton
Treasurer – James (Jim) B. Borgman
Genealogist – Douglas (Doug) E. Neff
Registrar - Dennis J. Hahn
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