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Description: This obelisk-style monument marks the graves of Privates Cornelius Hagney, John Toland and William Drew of Captain Robert Kirkwood's Delaware Company. The remains of these men were found half a mile north of the park in July 1888. They were moved to the current location in August 1888 and marked with a marble monument.

Nickname: Continentals Monument

Inscription:

THURSDAY / MARCH 15, 1781 / THREE CONTINENTAL SOLDIERS / REST HERE / IN FAME'S ETERNAL CAMPING GROUND

Dedication date: August, 1888

Materials & Techniques: Red, white and blue marble.

Post dedication use: Sometime after 1930 the shaft of this monument broke. About 18 inches of the shaft were discarded.

Subject notes: The remains of the three soldiers were found by Judge David Schenck, founder of the Guilford Battleground Company, on July 12, 1888. He was walking with his wife through a farm that neighbors the Guilford National Military Park and found bones protruding from of the ground. He was able to identify the soldiers as American Continentals by the buttons found with their remains. Because of their location, they are suspected to be the three members of Kirkwood's Delaware Company who were killed during battle.

Landscape: Marker can be reached from Guilford Courthouse Tour Road, on the left when traveling west.

City: Greensboro

County: Guilford

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Latitude: 36.13382

Longitude: -79.84256

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