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Description: This monument, standing nearly 5' tall, is made of a granite slab. The slanted top of the monument bears a bronze plaque.

Inscription:

IN MEMORIAM / LIEUT. COL. 'HAL' DIXON / OF CASWELL COUNTY, N.C. / 3RD N.C. REGIMENT, CONTINENTAL LINE / BRANDYWINE SEPT. 11TH 1777. / GERMANTOWN OCT. 4TH 1777. / MONMOUTH JUNE 20TH 1778. / STONO FERY JUNE 20TH 1779. / CAMDEN AUG. 16TH 1779. / GUILFORD COURT HOUSE MARCH 15TH 1781. / THE EMBODIMENT OF CHIVALRY / THE IDOL OF HIS SOLDIERS / THRICE WOUNDED IN BATTLE / FROM WHICH HE DIED / JULY 17TH 1782 / 1895

Dedication date: February 14, 1896 (though the plaque says 1895, the unveiling occurred in 1896)

Creator: b

Materials & Techniques: Granite and bronze.

Subject notes: The inscription contains 2 errors; the battle of Monmouth was fought on June 28th, rather than June 20th, and the battle of Camden occurred in 1780 instead of 1779.

Henry, or Hal, Dixon was a Revolutionary War officer born in what is today Caswell County. Dixon was appointed "Inspector General over Militia" by the North Carolina legislature in 1778. Along with Jethro Sumner and Nathanael Greene, Dixon was charged with the defense of the southern states during the Revolutionary War.

Location: The monument faces west.

Landscape: Lies alongside the former railroad bed (today a biking path).

City: Greensboro

County: Guilford

Subjects: Revolutionary War

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Latitude: 36.13161 **Longitude:** -79.84501

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