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Kerenhappuch Norman Turner was born in central Virginia about 1733. She was married to James Turner and moved to Maryland sometime before 1775. She is said to have had a son badly wounded at the Battle of Guilford Courthouse. Somehow, Mrs. Turner received word of her son's injury. Family tradition says that she rode by horseback from Maryland to Guilford Courthouse, where she found her son and nursed him back to health.

Her statue, shown here, stands near the visitor center at Guilford Courthouse National Military Park. Its inscription reads: A Heroine of '76

A Heroine of 76 Mrs. Kerenhappuch Turner Mother of Elizabeth The Wife of Joseph Morehead of N.C. And Grandmother of Captain James and of John Morehead A Young N.C. Soldier Under Greene, Rode Horse-back from Her Maryland Home and At Guilford Courthouse Nursed To Health A Badly Wounded Son



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