

Celebrate the achievements of those participants of the Second War for Independence in this two-part,

## Bicentennial Commemoration at Mt. Olivet Cemetery

September 13 & 14 Frederick, Maryland

- ★ Meet some of the cemetery's 108 known War of 1812 veterans through a unique, guided, candlelit walk
- ★ See the "rockets' red glare" and "bombs bursting in air" with a dramatic fireworks display
- ★ Learn the true story behind Francis Scott Key's writing of our country's national anthem
- ★ Hear the "Star-Spangled Banner" in both spoken word and various musical selections

For detailed event information, visit:

www.VisitFrederick.org



**NOTE:** This is an outdoor event. If inclement weather should occur, please go to **visitfrederick.org** for alterations to time and location of programs

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Mt. Olivet Cemetery Home of the Brave (Part 1)

## "The Twilight's Last Gleaming"

7:30-10:30pm

After a brief film orientation on the War of 1812, interested spectators will be called to participate in a large procession through the cemetery, led by a costumed guide and horse-drawn wagon. Fifteen of the cemetery's 108 known War of 1812 veterans will be portrayed by costumed re-enactors.

This half-mile walk on paved roadways will take 1.5 hours. For those not wishing to do the walk, a visual PowerPoint display and live audio feed from the tour will be supplied to the main seating area at the FSK monument. A fife & drum performance, solemn roll call and fireworks display finale follow the walk.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Mt. Olivet Cemetery
Home of the Brave (Part 2)
"By the Dawn's
Early Light"

7-8:30am

The focus will turn from the 1812 veterans, as a whole, to Frederick native Francis Scott Key. This graveside ceremony at the Key Monument will center on the "Star-Spangled Banner"its lyrics, music and direct impact made on the nation at the time of its release and beyond. It takes place roughly 200 years to the hour of FSK's original moment of inspiration to write what would eventually become our country's national anthem. The event will center on various performing artists and Mark Hildebrandt's "Anthem" documentary, which will be screened as part of the program.

**NOTE:** These events have exact start times with dramatic openings. We suggest spectators arrive within plenty of time to get seated, which is first come, first served. Seating is limited so feel free to bring lawn chairs for overflow seating.

PARKING: Mt. Olivet has a grass lot which can be entered through the north-side gate off Fox's Alley at Broadway Street. Additional parking is available at nearby Harry Grove Stadium and Lincoln Elementary School.



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