

JOINT GRAVE MARKING CEREMONY

We will honor Compatriot and Chapter Past-President James Dominic Lay, Sr. (NSSAR) and sister Dorothy Roberts "Sue" Lay (NSDAR) at the Lay Family Cemetery, 10168 Fields of Plenty Ln, Rapidan, Virginia on March 20th at 2:00pm. The Grave Marking Ceremony will be conducted by the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter, SAR Color Guard with the Virginia Society SAR Color Guard participating in cooperation with the Freedom Hill Chapter, NSDAR



Sue Lay (on right) with Michelle Miller at Freedom Hill Chapter NSDAR Meeting, Colvin Run Mill, Fairfax Co. VA

Sue Lay joined the Freedom Hill DAR chapter in February, 1998. From the beginning, Sue treasured her relationship with DAR and encouraged everyone to trace her family roots and learn more about the Revolution. One of those people was her dear school-days and 4-H friend, Elaine, who worked diligently to trace her roots back to a patriotic ancestor and joined Sue as a member in Freedom Hill Chapter. Sue's health prevented her from being as active as she would have liked in DAR, but she did serve as the Chapter Chairman, Junior American Citizens. Sue seldom missed a meeting, getting rides from other members at first, but soon using MetroAccess to attend meetings and events independently. Sue's constant cheerfulness in the face of her many challenges will continue to be an inspiration for all of her DAR friends.



Dominic Lay, Col. Andy Johnson, Allen Brahin, Francis Lay Grave Marking at Christ's Episcopal Church, Saluda, VA

Dominic spent a year in the Smallwood Chapter, Maryland Society, SAR before joining the Culpeper Minute Chapter of the Virginia Society, SAR in September 2003. He served on the Chapter's Executive Board from 2003-2008 as Secretary, 2nd Vice President, 1st Vice President, President and Past-President. He was Scrapbook Chairman from 2006 thru 2008. He was Awards Co-Committee Chairman in 2007. Dominic was also a member of the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter Color Guard where he served as Color Guard commander in 2006-2007. He was also member of the Virginia Society SAR Color Guard. Dom was an enthusiastic member of color guard and attended many local, state and national Color Guard events. Dominic attended 3 SAR National Congress and participated with the National Color Guard at these events. He received the chapter Bronze Color Guard Medal and the SAR Mid Atlantic District Color Guard Medal in 2007. Dominic's brothers Daniel, Francis, and Jake, and his sons Jimmy and Loren are all proud members of the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter.