

*George Warner Sr.*

*6/24/1721-6/18/1815*

George Warner Sr., who was laid to rest at this cemetery in 1815 at the age of 93, is the focus of this effort due to his involvement in the Revolutionary War. It has been documented in several pension applications that Mr. Warner's house served as a source of cover during a rear guard action in the Battle of Cobleskill on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1778. This resulted in 5 men holing up in his house, thus allowing residents of the Village of Cobleskill much needed time to flee to Schoharie. His house was subsequently burned by the Tories and Indians with 3 men left inside it. One man escaped the fire, but was captured and tortured by his captors. George Warner Sr. was also an active militia man and a member of the Committee of Safety. Mr. Warner was held captive in Canada by the Tories and Indian Allies for 11 months.

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## **GRAVESTONE MARKING**

May 21<sup>st</sup> 2011

Warner Cemetery

Warnerville, NY

BSA Troop 56 Lawyersville, NY  
Oschadella Council

Schoharie-Leatherstocking Chapter  
Empire State Society  
Sons of the American Revolution

SUNY Cobleskill

SUNY Cobleskill Auxiliary Services Inc. (CAS)

PROGRAM

**PRES. LINDEMANN:** Welcome and Greetings

**BSA Troop 56:** Presentation of Colors

**ALL:** Pledge of Allegiance

**BSA Troop 56:** Scout Pledge/Oath

**CHAPLAIN:** Invocation

As we gather, O God, for this dedication today, we ask your blessing upon each of us. We thank you for this occasion as we honor the memory of George Warner. We esteem his patriotism and courage, his faith and loyalty, and his willingness to sacrifice to make our world a better place. We thank You for America and all patriots who have given us the liberties and privileges that we enjoy. May we be willing to serve you and our nation even as our patriots did. May the ideals that we remember from the past sustain us today and safeguard us tomorrow. Amen.

**PRES. LINDEMANN:** Remarks and Introduction of Special Guests

**Summary of the Battle of Cobleskill:** Mr. Ted Shuart  
Cobleskill Town Historian

**Pres. Lindemann:**

We, the members of the Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, gather today to dedicate this marker to the glory of God and in memory of George Warner, a patriot of the American Revolution.

We are thankful for the life of this Revolutionary War Patriot, whose service to country and heroic sacrifices advanced the cause of Independence. By honoring this Patriot, we honor all the men and women who pledged their lives for the preservation of our freedoms.

Let us never forget that the continued greatness of our beloved country requires daily fidelity to that heritage bequeathed to us by our patriot forefathers.

**Unveiling of the stone:** Life Scout Cameron Nichols

**COMP. Briggs:** Placement of SAR Marker

**COMP. Fitzpatrick:** Placement of Flag

It is my honor to place a flag of 13 stripes to honor this Patriot who helped forge our great nation.

**Presentation by the SAR Militia**

**ALL:** "God Bless America"

**GUESTS:** Remarks/Announcements

**Troop 56 Scoutmaster Dr. John Foster:** Closing Remarks

**CHAPLAIN:** Benediction

Almighty God, as we go from here today, may this marker remind all who pass by of the devotion and dedication of all who have made our nation great. May all be humbled, and encouraged by this marker to esteem and perpetuate these virtues with our lives. May the peace of God, which surpasses all, guard our hearts and minds in the ties of friendship and unity of love. Amen.

**SAR MEMBERS:** SAR Closing

Until we meet again,  
let us remember our obligations to our forefathers  
who gave us our Constitution,  
the Bill of Rights,  
an independent Supreme Court  
and a nation of free men.