



PLACE

D.A.R. Marker at the Meriwether Lewis Death and Burial Site, Milepost 385.9

Natchez Trace Parkway (<https://www.nps.gov/natr/>)



DAR marker at the Meriwether Lewis Site
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The Daughters of the American Revolution, D.A.R., began a program in 1903 to place markers along the old Natchez Trace. Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, of Holly Springs, Mississippi, said, “We are in danger of losing all traces of our one-famous military road” and as state regent she began a movement to mark the old Natchez Trace. Similar programs were later adopted in Alabama and in Tennessee. The monument at the Meriwether Lewis Death and Burial Site was placed in 2006.

Quick Facts

LOCATION:

Meriwether Lewis Death and Burial Site, milepost 385.9 on the Natchez Trace Parkway, near Hohenwald, TN

SIGNIFICANCE: Historical Commemoration

AMENITIES 6 listed

Historical/Interpretive Information/Exhibits, Parking - Auto, Parking - Bus/RV, Picnic Table, Trailhead, Trash/Litter

This marker is inscribed as follows:

Receptacles

"THE NATCHEZ TRACE--EARLY AMERICAN TRAIL

The Natchez Trace, a very old trail, was traveled by many early Americans. Captain Meriwether Lewis, leader of the Lewis and Clark expedition and Governor of the Upper Louisiana Territory, died near this point in 1809 while traveling the Natchez Trace to Washington, DC with his expedition journals and accounts. In 1843 the state of Tennessee created Lewis County in his honor, and in 1848 erected a monument over his grave.

The Natchez Trace played an important role in its service to the American military. General Andrew Jackson's troops traveled the Natchez Trace to engage the British during the War of 1812.

Marker placed by The Tennessee Society of The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, November 10, 2006."

To explore the other areas of the Meriwether Lewis Death and Burial site along the Natchez Trace see [Exploring the Meriwether Lewis Site \(https://www.nps.gov/natr/learn/historyculture/exploring-the-meriwether-lewis-site.htm\)](https://www.nps.gov/natr/learn/historyculture/exploring-the-meriwether-lewis-site.htm).

See [War of 1812 on the Natchez Trace \(https://www.nps.gov/natr/learn/historyculture/war-of-1812-on-the-natchez-trace.htm\)](https://www.nps.gov/natr/learn/historyculture/war-of-1812-on-the-natchez-trace.htm) for additional information.



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