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Sudbury Massachusetts

War Monuments

Remembering and honoring all those that have gone before us

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Wadsworth Monument located at the Wadsworth Cemetery

Wadsworth Monument

Location:

Wadsworth Cemetery
Concord Road, Sudbury MA

Dedicated:

Tuesday, November 23, 1852 at 10:00 am

Commemorates:

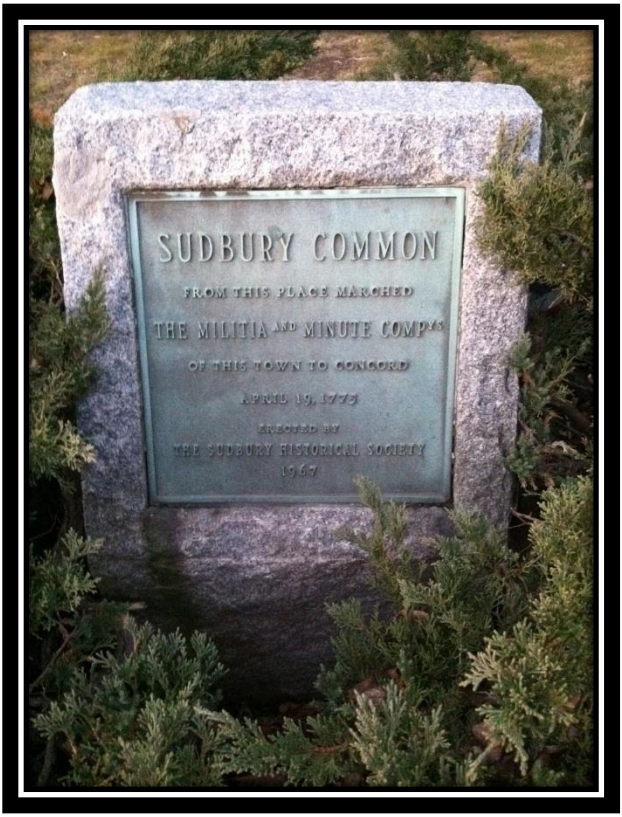
The Wadsworth Monument commemorates the Battle of Green Hill on April 21, 1676[i] when Captain Samuel Wadsworth and 28 soldiers lost their lives in a day long battle with Philip of Pokanoket and more than 1,000 braves.[ii]

Inscription:

THIS MONUMENT IS ERECTED BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND THE TOWN OF SUDBURY IN GRATEFUL REMEMBRANCE OF THE SERVICES AND SUFFERINGS OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE STATE; AND ESPECIALLY IN HONOR OF
CAPT. S. WADSWORTH OF MILTON,
CAPT. BROCKLEBANK OF ROWLEY,
LIEUT. SHARP OF BROOKLINE,
AND TWENTY SIX OTHERS, MEN OF THEIR COMMAND, WHO FELL NEAR THIS SPOT ON THE 18TH OF APRIL 1676, WHILE DEFENDING THE FRONTIER SETTLEMENTS AGAINST THE ALLIED INDIAN FORCES OF PHILIP OF POKANOKET.
1852

Other Facts:

- The Monument consists of 3 blocks of granite set one above the other which forms the base. On top of that is a tapering shaft which rises 21 feet and 6 inches above ground level.[iii]
- The stone slate in front of the Monument is the original marker for the mass grave laid in approximately 1730 by Captain Wadsworth's son, Harvard College President Benjamin Wadsworth.[iv]
- The Monument was designed after a monument in Lucca, Italy and was dedicated during a snow storm. [v]
- The Wadsworth Monument appears on Sudbury's Town Seal.[vi]



Sudbury Militia Monument located at Town Center

Sudbury Militia and Minutemen Monument

Location:
Sudbury Town Common
On Old Sudbury Road (Route 27), Sudbury MA

Dedicated:
1967

Commemorates:
This Monument honors the Sudbury Militia and Minutemen that marched to Concord on April 19, 1775.

Inscription:
SUDBURY COMMON

FROM THIS PLACE MARCHED
THE MILITIA AND MINUTE COMPYS
OF THIS TOWN TO CONCORD
APRIL 19, 1775

ERECTED BY
THE SUDBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
1967

Other Facts:
- The Permanent Landscape Commission granted The Sudbury Historical Society permission to place the granite Militia Monument on the Town Common in 1967.[vii]
- Sudbury lost 2 residents on April 19, 1775 - Deacon Josiah Haynes and Asahel Read. Haynes was 80 years old and was killed at Lexington by a musket bullet. He is reportedly buried in the "Old Burying Ground" in Sudbury.[viii]

Revolutionary War Monument located at Mount Pleasant

Cemetery

Revolutionary War Monument

Location:

Mount Pleasant Cemetery
Concord Road, Sudbury MA

Dedicated:

Wednesday, June 17, 1896 at 1:00 pm (Bunker Hill Day)

Commemorates:

The Revolutionary War Monument honors the more than 400 Soldiers and Sailors of Sudbury who fought in the Revolutionary War (1775-1783).[ix]

Inscription:

Front Side

TRIBUTE
OF
SUDBURY
TO THE
REVOLUTIONARY
PATRIOTS.

Back Side

ERECTED 1896.
IN HONOR OF THE
SOLDIERS AND SAILORS
OF
SUDBURY
WHO FOUGHT AT
LEXINGTON, CONCORD,
BUNKER HILL,
AND OTHER BATTLES OF THE
REVOLUTIONARY WAR.
1775-1783

Other Facts:

- The pedestal is made from Quincy granite and the Soldier is carved of Westerly, RI granite. The Monument stands 17 feet above the foundation and weighs over 19 tons[x]
- The funds for the Monument were donated by Joanna Gleason with a matching donation from the Town.[xi]

Civil War Monument located at the Goodnow Library

Civil War Monument

Location:

Goodnow Library
21 Concord Road, Sudbury MA

Dedicated:

Monday, May 30, 1897 at 2:00 pm (Memorial Day)

Commemorates:

The Monument honors the 11 Sudbury men who died and the other 157 Sudbury men who fought in the Civil War (1861-1865).[xii]

Inscription:

Front Side

GIFT OF
SAMUEL B. ROGERS
MAY 30, 1897

TRIBUTE
TO THE
LOYAL SONS
OF
SUDBURY
1861-1865

Back Side

DIED IN THE SERVICE
OF
THEIR COUNTRY

HORACE SANDERSON
JOHN FORSYTH
EDWIN S. PARMENTER
JOHN P. HUDSON
GEORGE T. DICKEY
THOMAS CORCORAN
THOMAS SMITH
CURTIS SMITH
ABEL H. DAKIN
HARTSON D. SINCLAIR
CYRUS E. BARKER

Other Facts:

- The Monument consists of a pedestal of Quincy granite surmounted by a bronze figure of an infantryman. The monument stands 17 feet 6 inches high and was designed and built by Badger Brothers of Quincy MA.[xiii]
- Samuel B. Rogers donated the $2,000 to construct the Monument.[xiv]

World War I Monument
located at Grinnell Park

World War I Monument

Location:

Grinnell Park
Corner of Concord Road and Hudson Road, Sudbury MA

Dedicated:

Potentially Memorial Day 1938[xv]

Commemorates:

The Monument honors the 1 Sudbury man who died and the other 31 Sudbury men who fought in World War I (1917-1918).[xvi]

Inscription:

1917 HONOR ROLL 1918
IN HONOR OF THE MEN
OF
SUDBURY
WHO SERVED IN THE
WORLD WAR

ADAMS WALTER E.
BALDWIN CLARENCE E.
BALDWIN LESTER A.
BRADSHAW FORREST D.
BUTTERFIELD HAROLD C.
CLARKE VINCENT P.
Di MAMBRO ANTHONY
EATON ROLAND H.
EATON CHAUNCEY E.
ELSER FREDERICK J.
FISHER FRANK S.
GARFIELD SHERROLD L.
GOODNOW CHARLES F. JR.
GOODNOW FRANK S.
HAWES ARTHUR R.
HAYNES HIRAM G.
JOHNSON CARL A.
MICILOS JOSEPH
MILES ROBERT B.
NEAL CLARENCE W.
NELSON CARL A.
PERKINS FRANK H. JR.
ROGERS WYMAN P.
SANDERS EUGENE N.
SANDERS EVERETTE M.
SPILLER CHARLES A.
STILES WILLIAM H.[xvii]
STONE FREDERICK R.
TULIS GEORGE E.
WHITE MAURICE B.
WHITING ELBRIDGE C. JR.
ZOCCOLA FRANCISCO

Other Facts:

- The Monument is a large rustic boulder with a plaque affixed to the front made of green stone of unknown origin.
- The Town originally approved the creation of the Monument in 1920 but it was not completed until 1937 at a cost of $3,514.[xviii]

World War II Monument located at Wadsworth Cemetery

World War II Monument

Location:

Wadsworth Cemetery
Concord Road, Sudbury MA

Dedicated:

Monday, July 5, 1954 at 10:30 am

Commemorates:

The World War II Monument honors the 8 Sudbury men who died and the other 186 Sudbury men and women who fought in World War II.[xix]

Inscription:

Front Side

IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION
AND MEMORY OF THOSE
SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF
SUDBURY
WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR II
IN THE CAUSE OF ALL FREEDOMS

REMEMBER FOR ALL TIME
THE NAMES OF THESE WHO
DIED FOR LIBERTY AND JUSTICE

BASTINELLI FRANK
FLYNN ERNEST H.
QUINN LEO T.
SMITH RAY C. JR.
SPILLER ALBERT F.
VERY HALE
WHITTEN NORMAN A.
WILLIAMS MILTON

Back Side

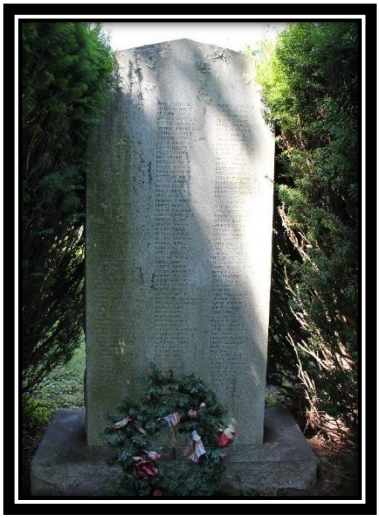
ALEXANDER ADOLPH
ALEXANDER ALGY
ATHERTON HAROLD E.
ATKINSON ROBERT D.
BARTLETT JOHN P.
BARTLETT MARY P.
BARTLETT MILTON D.
BARTLETT PARKER M.
BASTINELLI ANTHONY JR.
BATCHELDER EMMA M.
BATCHELDER JOHN M.
BENNETT HARRISON L.
BENTLEY DAVID H.
BONAZZOLI ALFRED F. JR.
BOWRY ALLAN G.
BOWRY DONALD W.
BRADSHAW ALVIN L.
BURLAND CARLYLE G.
BURNS WILLIAM A.
BURR KENNETH G.
BUXTON DAVID
CAMUTI SALVATORE
CARPENTER ASA
CARPENTER THOMAS
CASSELLA ALBERT J.
CASSELLA FRANK
CHAMBERLAIN CHESLEY L.
CHAMBERLAIN FREDERICK L.
COBB JUSTIN
CONROY BERNARD
COOKSON EDWARD M.
COX ELLERY W.
CURRIER GEORGE E.
CUSHING ARTHUR R
CUTLER PHILIP L.
CULTER ROLAND R. JR.
DANFORTH MARSHALL S.
DAVISON WILLIAM EDWIN
DAVISSON JOHN E.
DAY ARTHUR L.
DELANCEY ROBERT C.
DEVOLL LAWRENCE
DICKEY MATTHEW B.
DOVE DAVID
DUNSFORD REUBEN JR.
EATON RALPH H.
EDGERLY STUART JR.
EDGERLY WILLIAM S.
EDWARDS STANLEY A.
ELDER SHERWOOD
ELLMS CARLTON W. JR.
EVANS LAWRENCE W.
EVANS WILLIAM S.
FAIRBANK NANCY
FAIRBANK WINTHROP H.
FARMER PAUL
FARRELL JEREAMIAH D.
FAY ARTHUR E. JR.
FAY HELEN D.
FLORIDIA SALVATORE
FORSYTH LLYOD A.
FROST JOSIAH F.
FROST ROBERT W.
GALLIPEAU EARL. F.
GAUGHAN JOHN P.
GIDDINGS RICHARD E.
GLEASON EDMUND H.
GLEDHILL WILLIAM O. JR.
GOHLKE RICHARD T.
GOODNOW CHARLES F. 3RD
GRIFFIN WALTER M.
GRIFFIN WILLIAM M.
HALL EDITH MAY
HALL WILLIAM L.
HARTWELL PAUL A.
HASLAM JOSEPH H.
HAWES RICHARD R.
HAYNES ARTHUR S.
HILLIARD WALTER D.
HOOPER ROBERT G.
HOUGH LOUIS H.
HOYLE EARL B.
HUBBARD GARDNER W.
HUNTER ROBERT D.
HUNTER W. GORDON
JOHNS RICHARD O. JR.
JOHNSON J. ERIC
JOHNSON N. EDGAR
KEEGAN FRANCIS
KENDALL ELMER H.
KENDALL EUGENE W.
KENDALL JOHN L.
KENDALL WILLIAM P.
KENELY GEORGE J.
KITTREDGE HAROLD E.
KRAUSE DANIEL
LABEREE JOHN A.
LABEREE WILLIAM H. F.
LAMBURN HARLOLD G.
LAWRENCE HARRY J.
LIEBMAN CHARLES
LIEBMAN DAVID
LUPIEN GEORGE A.
MACARTHUR GERTRUDE M.
MACPHERSON CLARENCE
MAGLIONE LOUIS
MAILLY GEORGE J.
MAKER EDWARD H.
MAKER RICHARD A.
MARTIN JOHN R.
MCCUDDY FREDERICK W.
MCDONALD FRANCIS G.
MCLEAN DONALD G.
MCMURTRY HAROLD E.
MCSWEENEY ELLEN A.
MECURI GEORGE
MERCURY JAMES
MERCURY JOHN
MILLER ROBERT F.
MILLER WILLIAM H.
MITE SPIRO
MONSON THORLIEF
MORRISON FREDERICK H.
MORRISON WILLIAM D.
MURPHY JOHN E JR.
MOVIUS HALLAM L.
NELSON CLIFFORD A.
NELSON E. MARIE
NOYES HARLAND H.
NICHOLAS ANDREW
OLIVER BASIL B.
PHELPS ROBERT
PHELPS WALTER E.
PHELPS WALTER E. JR.
PHIPPARD STANLEY E.
PRIEST DORIS E.
PRIEST IRVING A.
QUINN MARIE E.
RAMSTROM ANNA C.
RAMSTROM KENNETH W.
RICHARDSON IRVING P. JR.
RICHARDSON LUCRETIA B.
RICHARDSON PHILLIP E.
RIX DOUGLAS
ROSS ROBERT C.
SALO EUGENE O.
SANTOSUOSSO FREDERICK
SCHOFIELD BERNARD A.
SHARKEY AUGUSTUS M.
SHARKEY GEORGE R.
SHARKEY JOHN W.
SHERMAN EDWARD A.
SKOG MALCAS
SMITH CALVIN B
SMITH LESTER M.
SPENCER LYNN D. B.
SPILLER WILFRED A.
SPILLER WILLIAM C.
SPRING RUSSELL M. JR.
STAAL ALFRED F.
STEVENS EDMUND W.
STONE CHESTER

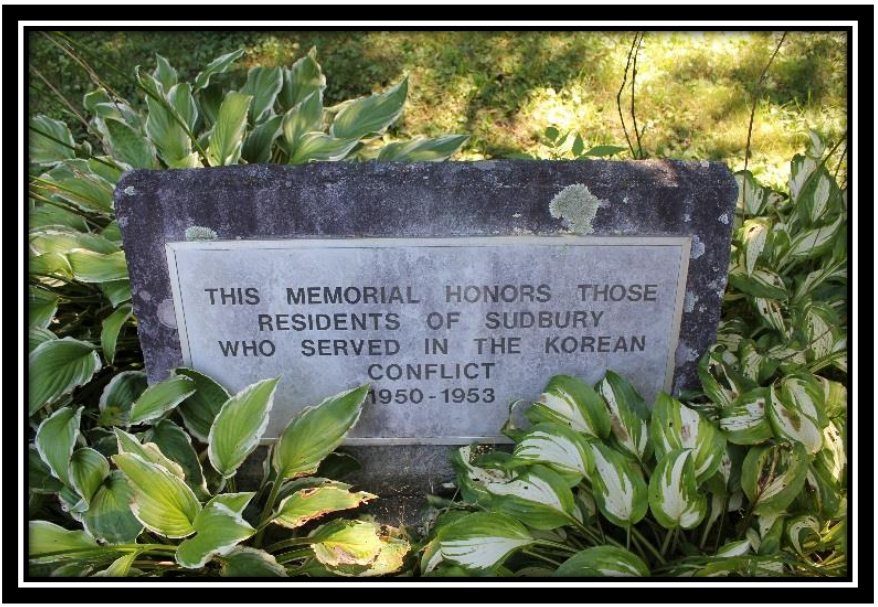
Back Side (continued)

STONE DONALD S.
STONE FRANK
STONE FREDERICK R.
SULLIVAN CHARLES A.
TAYLOR JASON G.
THOMPSON WILLIAM
TIGHE LAWRENCE W.
TITUS WILLIAM A.
TUCKER HAROLD
TUCKER LAWRENCE
TUCKER LAWRENCE S.
TULIS EDWIN J.
TWITCHELL RODNEY A.
TWITCHELL WILLIAM H.
WARD PRESCOTT
WAY JANE
WAY JOSEPH B. JR.
WEBSTER HENRY E. JR.
WEBSTER PHYLLIS M.
WHITWORTH CHARLES W. F.
WILSON WILLIAM H.
WINSHIP THOMAS
WOLBACH JOHN G.
WOOD JEROLD L.
WOLF RICHARD G.

Other Facts:

- The Monument consists of a granite shaft that stands 6 feet 6 inches above a one foot thick base. The Monument was designed and constructed by the Acton Monument Co.[xx]
- The Monument cost $2,600 and was funded by the Town in 1954[xxi]
- The land the Monument is erected on was donated by Herbert L. Newton. The flagpole was a gift to the Town from M. Granville Haley while the flag was a gift from the family of Soldier Leo T. Quinn who died during WWII.[xxii]
- A temporary honor roll of Sudbury residents who served in WWII was located in Sudbury Center near the Revolutionary War Monument until 1954 when the permanent Monument was erected.[xxiii]





Korean Conflict Monument located at the Wadsworth Cemetery

Korean Conflict Monument

Location:

Wadsworth Cemetery
Concord Road, Sudbury MA

Dedicated:

Monday, May 30, 1983 (Memorial Day)

Commemorates:

The Korean Monument honors the 264 Sudbury men who served in the Korean Conflict (1950 –1953).[xxiv]

Inscription:

THIS MEMORIAL HONORS THOSE
RESIDENTS OF SUDBURY
WHO SERVED IN THE KOREAN
CONFLICT
1950-1953

Other Facts:

- The Korean Monument is to the right of the World War II Monument at the entrance of Wadsworth Cemetery.
- The Korean Monument was erected in 1982 with the assistance of Col. Paul Leahy, the Town's Veterans' Affairs Officer.
- It appears that at least 1 Sudbury resident died in Korea. Sergeant Thomas Mallery was killed on March 28, 1953 at the age of 22.[xxv]

Vietnam Conflict Monument located at the Wadsworth Cemetery

Vietnam Conflict Monument

Location:
Wadsworth Cemetery
Concord Road, Sudbury MA

Dedicated:
Monday, May 30, 1983 (Memorial Day)

Commemorates:
The Vietnam Monument honors Sudbury residents who served in the Vietnam Conflict (1964-1975)

Inscription:
THIS MEMORIAL HONORS THOSE
RESIDENTS OF SUDBURY
WHO SERVED IN THE VIETNAM
CONFLICT
1964-1975

Other Facts:
- The Vietnam Monument is to the left of the World War II Monument at the entrance of Wadsworth Cemetery.
- Like the Korean Monument, the Vietnam Monument was erected in 1982 with the assistance of Col. Paul Leahy, the Town's Veterans' Affairs Officer.
- It appears that at least 1 Sudbury resident died in Vietnam. First Lieutenant Richard Leo Rogers was killed December 14, 1968 at the age of 22.[xxvi]

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The Sudbury Military Support Network (SMSN) is an all-volunteer 501©3 organization started in 2011 to raise awareness and support for active military personnel, their families and veterans in Sudbury. The organization's mission is to:

- Develop avenues to honor and recognize all past and present Sudbury Military Service Personnel.
- Support Sudbury residents serving in the military as they prepare to deploy, serve or return from military service.
- Establish a network of support for families of military service personnel.
- Raise Awareness in the community about Sudbury residents who have or are currently serving in the military.

For more information on the Sudbury Military Support Network please go to our website at
www.sudburymilitarysupportnetwork.org

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Endnotes

[i] There is considerable discussion revolving around the actual date of the battle. Much of the evidence indicates that it happened on April 21, 1676 which puts the date on the monument of April 18th 1676 in question.
[ii] *A Brief Account of the Building and Dedication of the Wadsworth Monument in Sudbury Massachusetts 1952*, Waltham, MA, 1953.
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[vi] Scott, Laura, *Sudbury, A Pictorial History*, The Donning Company Publishers, Norfolk, VI, 1989, p 33.
[vii] Annual Town Report 1967, P. 16-17.
[viii] Hudson, Alfred Sereno, *The Annals of Sudbury, Wayland, and Maynard, Middlesex County, Massachusetts*, Higginson Book Company, Salem, MA, 1891, p. 25.
[ix] *"Honors Her Heroes: Sudbury's Monument to the Men of 1775,"* Unnamed Newspaper Article dated June 19, 1896, Sudbury Historical Society.
[x] *The Hundred and Fifty-Seventh Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Sudbury, Mass and Reports of its Official Boards for the Year Ending February 28, 1897*, The Enterprise Printing Co., Sudbury, MA, 1897, pp. 72-73.
[xi] *The Two Hundred and Fifty-Sixth Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Sudbury, Mass., and Reports of its Several Official Boards for the Year Ending February 29, 1896*, The Enterprise Printing Co., Sudbury, MA, 1896, pp. 7, 10-15; *The Hundred and Fifty-Seventh Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Sudbury, Mass and Reports of its Official Boards for the Year Ending February 28, 1897*, The Enterprise Printing Co., Sudbury, MA, 1897, pp. 8, 14.
[xii] *Proceedings at the Dedication of the Memorial Presented to the Town of Sudbury Massachusetts by Mr. Samuel B. Rogers, in Honor of The Soldiers of the Civil War,* The Enterprise Printing Co., Sudbury, MA, 1897, pp. 16, 28, 55-56.
[xiii] *Ibid.,* pp. 15-16.
[xiv] *The Two Hundred and Fifty-Seventh Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Sudbury, Mass., and Reports of its Several Official Boards for the Year Ending February 28, 1897*, The Enterprise Printing Co., Sudbury, MA, 1897, pp. 15-18.
[xv] "Sudbury Honored 126 Soldier Dead on Memorial Day", *The Sudbury Beacon,* Vol. VI, No. 34, August 26, 1938, p. 1.
[xvi] I have located evidence that there were potentially 2 additional Sudbury residents (Joseph McAlons and Warran Lowell) that fought in WWI; "Sudbury's Honor Roll," *Sudbury Enterprise*, 9/4/1918, Goodnow Library, Newspaper Microfilm.
[xvii] Private William Harvey Stiles died of pneumonia at Camp Devens on September 20, 1918 at the age of 21; *Massachusetts , Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988* Ancestry (accessed 4/13/2013), record 66.
[xviii] *The Two Hundred and Eighty First Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Sudbury, Mass., and Reports of its Several Official Boards for the Year Ending December 31, 1920,* The News Enterprise, Hudson, MA, 1921, pp. 26-27; The *Two Hundred and Ninety-Eighth Annual Report of the Receipts*

and Expenditures of the Town of Sudbury, Mass., and Reports of its Several Official Boards for the Year Ending December 31, 1937, 1938, p. 7.

[xix] *Town Report Sudbury, Massachusetts 1954, p. 270.*

[xx] *Town Report Sudbury, Massachusetts 1953,* p. 265.

[xxi] *Town Report Sudbury, Massachusetts 1954, p. 29.*

[xxii] *Town Report Sudbury, Massachusetts 1953, p. 263-265; Town Report Sudbury, Massachusetts 1954, p. 59-60, 267, 271.*

[xxiii] *Three Hundred Fifth Annual Report of the Several Official Boards of the Town of Sudbury Massachusetts for the Year Ending December 31, 1944*, Murphy & Snyder Press, Maynard, MA, 1945, p. 20.

[xxiv] *50th Anniversary of the Korean War 1950-1953: 2000-2003*, Sudbury Historical Society (2006.002.0030), p. 2, 3-5.

[xxv] *U.S. Korean War Military Casualties, 1950-1957*, National Archives and Records Administration, ancestry.com assessed 4/13/2013 Thomas Mallery.

[xxvi] *U.S. Vietnam War Military Casualties, 1956-1998*, National Archives and Records Administration, ancestry.com assessed 4/7/2013 Richard Leo Rogers.