



Connecticut State Hero
NATHAN HALE
Captain
Knowlton's Connecticut Rangers
Continental Army

On October 1, 1985, by an act of the General Assembly and the efforts of the Nathan Hale Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, Nathan Hale officially became Connecticut's State Hero.

Born in Coventry, on June 6, 1755, and educated at Yale University. Hale served as a school master until commissioned as a Captain in the Continental Army, in 1775. In September of 1776, at General George Washington's request for a volunteer, Nathan Hale crossed enemy lines to gather information as to the strength and plans of the British. Caught while returning, he was hanged as a spy on September 22, 1776, without benefit of trial.

Captain Hale's dedication to duty and country is enshrined in the immortal words "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." By every action of his short life, Hale exemplified the highest ideals of patriotism.



35th ANNUAL
NATHAN HALE
DAY CEREMONY
CONNECTICUT STATE CAPITOL
HARTFORD

Monday June 5, 2017
12:00 PM

Arranged and Conducted by
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Department of Connecticut



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CALL TO ORDER

Dana Murphy, Master of Ceremonies
Chairman Americanism Commission
The American Legion, Department of Connecticut

SALUTE TO THE COLORS

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INVOCATION

Dana K. Murphy
Chaplain
The American Legion, Department of Connecticut

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All Recite

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Master of Ceremonies Murphy



INTRODUCTION OF AMERICANISM COMMISSION

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MUSICAL SELECTION

Coventry Fife & Drums

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Master of Ceremonies Murphy

ADDRESS

Zane Bouregy - Xavier High School
Oratorical Contest Winner 2017

PLACEMENT OF MEMORIAL WREATH

Members of the Americanism Commission

BENEDICTION

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