The concluding battle of the Revolutionary War ended Oct. 19, 1781, in Yorktown.

General Cornwallis and his 7,157 men surrendered to General Washington. To commemorate the important Allied Victory over the British, the Continental Congress on Oct. 29, 1781, authorized the Yorktown Victory Monument.

Construction began a century later with completion in 1884.

Lady Victory, a younger sister to the Statue of Liberty, exquisitely tops a slender pedestal of Maine granite.

In 1956, replacement of the original figure of liberty, damaged by lightening, took place.

The shaft is 84 feet high and Liberty is 14 feet high.

The Yorktown Victory Monument is located on the southeastern end of Main Street in Yorktown.