

C. DeLores Tucker (1927-2005)

Marker Number: 2006HM00011
Date Dedicated: 4/25/2006
Marker Missing: No
Marker Type: Roadside
County: Dauphin
Municipality: Harrisburg City
Street Address: North St. between 3rd & Commonwealth, Harrisburg
Coordinates: 40.266042, -76.883081

Marker Text: Civil rights leader and activist for women, she was the first African American Secretary of State in the nation. Championed the PA Equal Rights Amendment and policies on affirmative action, voter registration by mail, and lowering the voting age to 18. Spearheaded the creation of the Commission on the Status of Women & led a successful crusade critical of the music industry and lyrics demeaning to women, African Americans, and children.

Location Description: North St. between 3rd & Commonwealth, Harrisburg

Marker Categories:

African American
Civil Rights
Government & Politics 20th Century
Women

Harrisburg Giants

Marker Number: 2005HM00012
Date Dedicated: 8/18/2005
Marker Missing: No
Marker Type: Roadside
County: Dauphin
Municipality: Harrisburg City
Street Address: Roadway between Walnut St. Bridge and Commerce Bank Park, City Island, Harrisburg
Coordinates: 40.255799, -76.888353

Marker Text: Harrisburg-based Negro League baseball team founded around 1900 and operated by Colonel William Strothers until his death in 1933. One of 27 major Negro League teams across the nation, the Giants finished in second place in the Eastern Colored League in 1925. Among well-known players were Hall-of-Famer Oscar Charleston, Spottswood Poles, Ben Taylor, John Beckwith, Fats Jenkins & Rap Dixon. They played here at Island Park through 1957.

Location Description: Roadway between Walnut St. Bridge and Commerce Bank Park, City Island, Harrisburg

Marker Categories:

African American
Baseball
Sports & Recreation

Lincoln Cemetery

Marker Number: 1994HM00015
Date Dedicated: 6/21/1994
Marker Missing: No
Marker Type: City
County: Dauphin
Municipality: Penbrook Borough
Street Address: 30th Street & Booser Ave., Penbrook
Coordinates: 40.280000, -76.844700

Marker Text: A landmark of central Pennsylvania's African American history. Established in 1827 by Wesley Union A.M.E. Zion Church. Among those buried here are T. Morris Chester, William Howard Day, Catherine McClintock, and at least 20 veterans of the Civil War.

Location Description: 30th Street & Booser Ave., Penbrook

Marker Categories:

African American
Civil War
Religion

T. Morris Chester

Marker Number: 1986HM00008
Date Dedicated: 12/3/1986
Marker Missing: No
Marker Type: City
County: Dauphin

Marker Text: Journalist, educator, lawyer. Born here, 1834. Taught in Liberia, 1857-61. Recruited Black soldiers in Civil War; noted as war correspondent. In Europe for freedmen's aid; was admitted to the English bar in 1870. Held major posts in Louisiana, 1873-83. Died nearby, 1892.

Location Description: Market Street near 3rd St., Harrisburg

Municipality: Harrisburg City
Street Address: Market Street near 3rd St.,
Harrisburg
Coordinates: 40.260648, -76.880983

Marker Categories:
African American
Civil War
Education
Military
Professions & Vocations
Underground Railroad

U.S. Colored Troops Grand Review

Marker Number: 2006HM00012
Date Dedicated: 5/6/2006
Marker Missing: No
Marker Type: Roadside
County: Dauphin
Municipality: Harrisburg City
Street Address: Soldier's Grove behind
Capitol, Walnut / 7th St. across from State St.
Bridge, Harrisburg
Coordinates: 40.265249, -76.881638

Marker Text: Excluded from a May 1865 "Grand Review of the Armies" in Wash., DC, U.S. Colored Troops from Penna. and Mass. regiments assembled here at State & Filbert Sts. on Nov. 14, 1865 for a parade honoring their courage during the Civil War. Grand Marshal T. Morris Chester led them through Harrisburg to Sen. Simon Cameron's Front St. home to be gratefully acknowledged. Octavius Catto, William Howard Day, Gen. JB Kiddoo, & the Rev. Stephen Smith spoke.

Location Description: Soldier's Grove behind Capitol, Walnut / 7th St. across from State St. Bridge, Harrisburg

Marker Categories:
African American
Civil War
Military

Underground Railroad

Marker Number: 2000HM00015
Date Dedicated: 4/29/2000
Marker Missing: No
Marker Type: City
County: Dauphin
Municipality: Harrisburg City
Street Address: In Capitol Park, Walnut St.
near Commonwealth Ave., Harrisburg
Coordinates: 40.262800, -76.881500

Marker Text: In the 1850s this area, known as Tanner's Alley, was important on the Underground Railroad. Fugitive slaves hid at Joseph Bustill's & William Jones's houses, a block apart. Frederick Douglass & William Lloyd Garrison spoke at Wesley Union AME Zion Church nearby.

Location Description: In Capitol Park, Walnut St. near Commonwealth Ave., Harrisburg

Marker Categories:
African American
Religion
Underground Railroad

William Howard Day

Marker Number: 1997HM00016
Date Dedicated: 5/26/1997
Marker Missing: No
Marker Type: Roadside
County: Dauphin
Municipality: Swatara Township
Street Address: Lincoln & Carlisle Sts.,
Steelton
Coordinates: 40.243200, -76.838300

Marker Text: Abolitionist, minister, orator, editor, educator. Born in New York City; traveled in the U.S., Canada, and Britain on behalf of antislavery and free Blacks. General Secretary, A.M.E. Zion Church. Lived after 1870 in Harrisburg, where he edited the newspaper Our National Progress. The first African American elected to the Harrisburg School Board, in 1878; its president, 1891-93. Burial in Lincoln Cemetery.

Location Description: Lincoln & Carlisle Sts., Steelton

Marker Categories:
African American
Education
Professions & Vocations
Religion
Underground Railroad

Writers

Wilt Chamberlain's Scoring Record

Marker Number: 2002HM00007

Date Dedicated: 3/2/2002

Marker Missing: No

Marker Type: Roadside

County: Dauphin

Municipality: Derry Township

Street Address: 100 Hersheypark Dr.
(Hersheypark Arena), Hershey

Coordinates: 40.288700, -76.656700

Marker Text: In a basketball game played here on March 2, 1962, Philadelphia Warriors center Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points against the New York Knicks-- a record for points scored by a single player in any National Basketball Association game, 169-147, in front of 4,124 fans. During that season, Chamberlain set other records by averaging 50.4 points per game and by scoring more than 50 points in each of 45 games.

Location Description: 100 Hersheypark Dr. (Hersheypark Arena), Hershey

Marker Categories:

African American

Basketball

Sports & Recreation