

## CONNECTICUT MEN ON BENEDICT ARNOLD'S 1775 EXPEDITION TO QUEBEC

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Of the 1125 officers and men who marched through the Maine wilderness to Quebec, there were 115 from the Colony of Connecticut, including its leader Colonel Benedict Arnold from New Haven. The majority of the Connecticut men served in a musket company commanded by Captain Oliver Hanchett of Suffield, Connecticut. Hanchett's company had a total of 84 officers and men of which 67 were from Connecticut. The other company with a sizable number of Connecticut men was commanded by Capt John Topham from Rhode Island which had 29 men from Connecticut. Although there are men on this list from all parts of the state, there are certain towns such as New Haven, Middletown and Suffield that have more than their proportional share of men. One reason for this could be the hometown of the key officers of the expedition, Arnold, Meigs and Hanchett, who were from those three towns.

This author's recent book, *Voices from a Wilderness Expedition: The Journals and Men of Benedict Arnold's Expedition to Quebec in 1775*, contains a complete roster of the men on the expedition. The list of Connecticut men in this article is taken from that roster located in Appendix II. The sources for each of the names on this list are also provided in the book on pages 261-272. Those who look at the roster and the listing of sources will find that many of the names have more than three sources. The book also references a muster roll of Captain Hanchett's Company, found in the NARA Revolutionary War records, which is a primary source, but not the only one used to identify names, for the men in Hanchett's Company.

### List of Connecticut Officers and Men

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Colonel	Benedict Arnold	New Haven, CT	Wounded
ADC	Eleazer Oswald	New Haven, CT	Prisoner
Lt Col	Roger Enos	Windsor, CT	Returned
Major	Return J. Meigs	Middletown, CT	Prisoner
Capt	Joseph Farnsworth	Middletown, CT	Returned
Capt	Oliver Hanchett	Suffield, CT	Prisoner
Lieut	Samuel Cooper	Portland, CT	Killed
Lieut	Jedediah Hyde	Norwich, CT	Returned
Lieut	Abijah Savage	Middletown, CT	Prisoner
Lieut	James Sprague	Union, CT	Returned
Ensign	James Knowles	Wethersfield, CT	Not Captured
Sgt	William Green	Windsor, CT	Not Captured
Sgt	Gabriel Hotchkiss	New Haven, CT	Prisoner
Sgt	David Sage	Chatham, CT	Prisoner
Corp	Jedediah Dewey	Suffield, CT	Prisoner
Corp	Theophilis Hyde	Simsbury, CT	Killed
Corp	Rosewell Ransom	Colchester, CT	Prisoner
Corp	Jonathan Taylor	Middletown, CT	Prisoner
Corp	Gershom Wilcox	Middletown, CT	Prisoner
Fifer	Aaron Bull	Middletown, CT	Not Captured
Drummer	John Bassett	New Haven, CT	Prisoner
Phy Aide	Benjamin Greene	New London Co., CT	Returned
Pvt	Amasa Allen	Tolland, C T	Returned

Pvt	Marmaduke Allyn	Woodstock, CT	Returned
Pvt	Benjamin Atwell	Montville, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Samuel Barnes	East Haven, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Samuel Barney	New Haven, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Charles Bartlett	Lebenon, CT	Died/Wilderness
Pvt	Jonathan Bill	Lebenon, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Samuel Briggs	Simsbury, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Archibald Blakely	New Haven, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Abraham Blinn	Wethersfield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Elijah Boardman	Wethersfield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Elishima Brandegee	Chatham, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Richard Brewer	Chatham, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Tobias Burke	Ct Valley, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Samuel Burriss	New Haven, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Charles Burzett	Danbury, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Phineas Child	Woodstock, CT	Returned
Pvt	John Cole	Plainfield, CT	Returned
Pvt	Nathaniel Coleman	Wethersfield, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Noah Coleman	Colchester, CT	Returned
Pvt	John Conly	Suffield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Jacob Crow/Crow	Chatham, CT	Returned
Pvt	Thomas Crossman	New London, CT	Returned
Pvt	Timothy Culver	New Haven, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Christopher Darrow	New London, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	John Deane	Salisbury, CT	Returned
Pvt	Pelletiah Dewey	Suffield, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Charles Ferguson	Connecticut	Returned
Pvt	Joseph Forward	Simsbury, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Stephen Fosbury	Waterbury, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Isaac George	New Haven, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Joseph Goff	Hebron, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Nathaniel Goodrich	Chatham, CT	Killed
Pvt	William Goodrich	Chatham, CT	Killed
Pvt	Samuel Geer	Milford, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Stephen Harrington	Simsbury, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Peter Heady	Suffield, CT	Killed
Pvt	Azariah Hillyard	Norwich, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	John Holley	Griswold, CT	Returned
Pvt	Theodore Hooker	Chatham, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	George Hubbard	Marlborough, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Joseph Hurlebert	Wethersfield, CT	Returned
Pvt	Allen Ives	New Haven, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Elihu Johnson	Tolland, CT	Returned
Pvt	Allen Judd	Waterbury, CT	Returned
Pvt	Daniel Judd	Waterbury, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Freeman Judd	Waterbury, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Isaac Knapp	New Haven, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	John Latham	Stonington, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Edward Lawrence	Tolland, CT	Prisoner

Pvt	David Leaming	Southington, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Martin Lewis	Farmington, CT	Returned
Pvt	Joseph Lewis	Bethlehem, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Joel Loveland	Glastonbury, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Lot Loveland	Glastonbury, CT	Died/Wilderness
Pvt	Mark Lun	Connecticut	Returned
Pvt	Elijah Marshall	Windsor, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Jonathan Mason	Woodstock, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	William Mitchell	Middlebury, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Elijah Mix	New Haven, CT	Returned
Pvt	James Moore	Simsbury, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	James Morris	Suffield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	John Morris	Suffield, CT	Killed
Pvt	Nathaniel Norton	Suffield, CT	Returned
Pvt	Daniel Owen	Windsor, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Joseph Parks	Salisbury, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Nathaniel Pease	Enfield, CT	Returned
Pvt	Abijah Perry	Fairfield, CT	Returned
Pvt	Lancelot Phelps	Windsor, CT	Returned
Pvt	Jonathan Pomeroy	Suffield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Gideon Porter	Windsor, CT	Returned
Pvt	Josiah Remington	Suffield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Daniel Rice	Windsor, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	John Risten	Suffield, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Elnathan Sanderson	Suffield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Benjamin Scott	Woodstock, CT	Returned
Pvt	Sherman Shattuck	New Haven, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	David Shelton	Suffield, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Elijah Shelton	Suffield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Zachariah Smith	Woodstock, CT	Returned
Pvt	Alexander Spencer	Sharon, CT	Died/Wilderness
Pvt	Ephraim Squier	Ashford, CT	Returned
Pvt	Abner Stocking	Haddam, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Ichabod Swaddle	Middletown, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Lott Towsley	Suffield, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Timothy Wadsworth	Wethersfield, CT	Returned
Pvt	Benjamin Warner	New Haven, CT	Not Captured
Pvt	Solomon Way	New Haven, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Lyon Wentworth	Wethersfield, CT	Returned
Pvt	Noah Whipple	Tolland, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Moses White	Middletown, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	Simon Winter	Suffield, CT	Prisoner
Pvt	John Wise	New Haven, CT	Not Captured