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Description: This marble marker with a plaque is dedicated to the men of Caswell County who fought in the first World War. It is located on the Caswell County Courthouse square in a memorial garden. The plaque is atypical in that it lists both black and white men who fought and died in WWI.

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Inscription:

LEST WE FORGET / THIS MEMORIAL IS ERECTED BY THE / CITIZENS OF CASWELL COUNTY WITH / PRIDE AND GRATEFUL APPRECIATION / FOR THE SERVICES OF THE CASWELL / BOYS WHO MADE THE SUPREME / SACRIFICE IN THE WORLD WAR. MKS / WHITE / ALVIS CHANDLER / JOHN BARKER THACKER / HENRY ANDERSON SOLOMON / BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BROOKS / ALGERNON SIDNEY NEAL / ROY PATTILLO / EDWIN MOORE / GEORGE THOMAS WARREN / GERNIE M. SMITH / COLORED / JOHN LYNN / JOHN LEA / MOSES JEFFRESS / THOMAS PHELPS / ALEXANDER HARRIS / WILLIE WARREN / LAWRENCE LEA / BYRD FULLER / RUFFIN LEA

Dedication date: The monument was likely erected sometime in the 1920s to 1930s.

Controversies: According to the Caswell County Historical Association, "On February 2, 2009 a Mr. Eddie Davis working for a group called Inclusive North Carolina brought to the attention of the regular session of the Caswell County Board of Commissioners the issue of the segregation of white and black names on the memorial. He proposed that a new alphabetical listing be used given the times."

Landscape: This monument is located on the Caswell County Courthouse square.

City: Yanceyville

County: Caswell

Subjects: World War I

Latitude: 36.40528 **Longitude:** -79.33568

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