

JESSE BELNAP AND EUNICE HALL MONUMENT

FRONT

In Honor Of

Jesse Belnap

Born 31 August 1760
Hebron, Tolland¹ County, Connecticut
Died 10 October 1854
North East, Erie County, Pennsylvania

Married 28 April 1779
Redding, Fairfield County, Connecticut

Eunice Hall

Born 25 May 1762
Redding, Fairfield County, Connecticut
Died 12 March 1849
North East, Erie County, Pennsylvania

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Jesse Belnap enlisted as a private in the United States Continental Army at Hebron, Connecticut, on 6 August 1777, shortly before his 17th birthday. He served as an artificer in Colonel Jeduthan Baldwin's Regiment of Artificers of the Connecticut Line. Jesse served at the rate of 17 dollars per month for a term of three years. In the winter of 1777-1778 he was at Danbury, Connecticut. In the spring and summer of 1778 he was "employed at New Windsor on the Hudson River in making a chain to place across said river and in other work for the use of the Army." In the winter of 1778-1779 he was stationed with General Israel Putnam's troops at Redding, Connecticut, where he married local woman Eunice Hall, age 16. Afterwards he was employed at Morristown, New Jersey, where he likely experienced the "Hard Winter" of 1779-1780. He then went to Breakneck and later Peekskill, New York, where he was discharged by Major Brewer on 4 August 1780. Jesse stated he was "in no battles of any consequence." Jesse's military service at West Point or "America's Gibraltar" included work on the Great Chain stretched across the Hudson River to stop the British in dividing the American Colonies. After the American Revolution, Jesse and Eunice lived in various locations across Upstate New York, eventually settling in North East, Pennsylvania, by 1815. Together they had 15 children.

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<sup>1</sup> Hebron was part of Windham County when Jesse was born in 1760. It later became a part of Tolland County in 1785.

**BACK**

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Children of Jesse Belnap and Eunice Hall

David Belnap 1780 – 1858  
Jesse Belnap 1781 – 1849  
Eunice Belnap 1784 – 1822  
Ira Belnap 1785 – 1878  
Ansel Belnap 1787 – 1870  
Rosel Belnap 1789<sup>2</sup> – 1832  
Elem Belnap 1791 – 1813  
Anna Belnap 1792 – 1810  
Gilbert Belnap 1794 – 1851  
Sarah (Sally) Belnap 1795 – 1879  
Mary (Polly) Belnap 1797 – 1854  
Laura Belnap 1799 – 1875  
Betsy Belnap 1800 – 1801  
Hiram Belnap 1802 – 1848  
Isabel Belnap 1804 – 1806

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Dedicated 27 June 2026 in commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of America's
Independence by grateful descendants of Jesse Belnap and Eunice Hall

Belnap Family Organization

² Rosel Belnap document records he was born in 1788. Family records consistently give 1789 as Rosel's birth year.