



*Bringing Collin County  
History to Life!*



## **The Mission of the Heritage Guild of Collin County is**

- *To celebrate community*
- *To preserve history*
- *To inspire the future*

## **We Achieve Our Mission By**

*Showing how people lived during a key period in Collin County history (1850-1920) with structures, artifacts and programming.*

## **Our Mission is Supported Through**

- *Facility Rentals*
- *Grants/Donations*
- *Sponsorships*
- *Programming*
- *Volunteer Activities*



**The Heritage Guild of Collin County owns and operates Heritage Village at Chestnut Square. Located on 2 blocks at Chestnut, Anthony, Davis & Hwy 5, Chestnut Square is home to 5 historic houses, including the oldest house in McKinney, a general store, the former Foote Baptist Church, the “Two Bit” Taylor Inn, the fabulous Dulaney House, and a reproduction of the Wilmeth one room Schoolhouse.**





## **Project Summary**

**Request: \$59,500**

- **Dixie's Store** – residing the **1918 Brimer Anderson Grocery**, Home of Doc and Clyde's Ice Cream Freezer Museum **\$12,500/\$15,000**
  - **Speaker/PA system** **\$15,000/\$15,000**
  - **Artificial Turf – Wedding Garden** **\$5,000/\$5,000**
  - **Boardwalk/Awnings/Porch** **\$2,000/\$7,500**
  - **Johnson House** **\$25,000/\$50,000**
- \$59,500/\$92,500**



## **Johnson House History**

Soon to be 150 years old, the 1870 Johnson House, was built by Dr. James Harmon, a local photographer, is a Victorian Cottage with Italianate eave brackets and is original to its current location. Mr. John Johnson, a Confederate Captain, bought the home in 1878 where he raised his 13 children to be closer to school. Mr. Johnson was known as a colorful politician who served as a State Senator and a Legislator. He is credited with writing the Homestead Bill, which became law in 1876.





## **The Bobby Younger Story**

A descendant of Captain Johnson, Bobby Younger, was a World War II airman and hero who was killed in action upon his 13th mission over Germany. Bobby graduated from McKinney High School and was a freshman at Texas A&M when he volunteered for duty at the age of 18. 'Bobby's Room' is located upstairs and has been dedicated to honor him. You might know that Bobby was a boyhood friend of both Bill Dowdy and Henry Myrick. The remains of Bobby's crew were recently identified and buried with full honors in June 2018 in Arlington National Cemetery.

MCKINNEY

# WWII airman brought home

Remains identified decades after B-17 crashed in Germany

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MCKINNEY — Curled up like a ball in the belly of a B-17 bomber and nestled between twin .50-caliber machine guns, U.S. Army Air Forces Staff Sgt. Bobby Younger had a view of the world from the sky on Nov. 2, 1944.

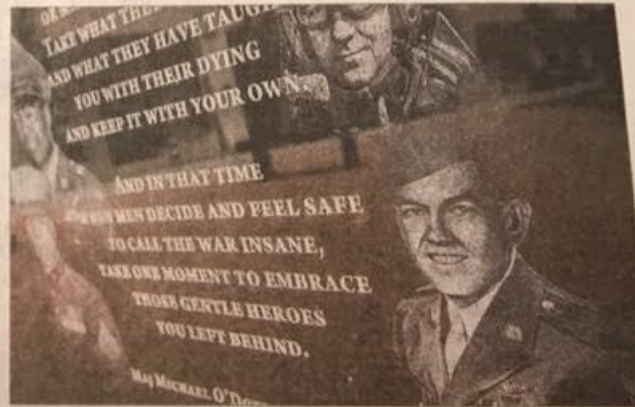
It was one of the aircraft's

most dangerous spots, and he was in it.

He didn't know that flight would be his last.

The World War II serviceman from McKinney was pronounced missing in action after his plane was shot down and went into a fiery descent before crashing near Barby, Germany.

Three of the nine crew members survived and were captured. A fourth was killed and identified in 1945. In 1951, the American Graves Registration Command concluded that the five unac-



Carly Geraci/Staff Photographer

**Staff Sgt. Bobby Younger** is part of a Veterans Memorial Park display in McKinney. The B-17 gunner will be honored Wednesday in Arlington, Va., and in his hometown.

counted for, including Younger, had died in the crash and that the whereabouts of their remains was unknown.

In 2015, a possible crash site was located, and a team of archaeologists excavated the wreckage and identified

the remains of three of the five missing crewmen, including Younger.

On Wednesday, Younger's remains, along with those of four other crew members,

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**Bobby's amazing journey made the front page of the Dallas Morning News 2 days in a row, plus every DFW news broadcast**



## Johnson House







**Water damage**

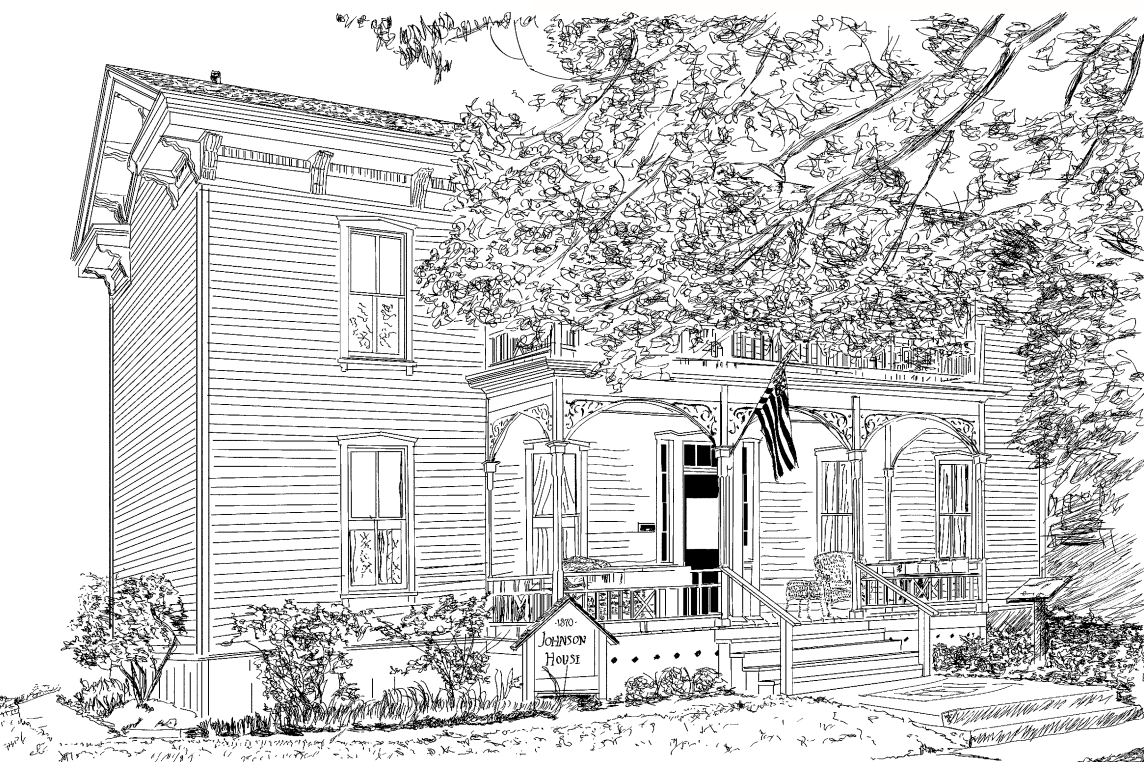


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