

The Signature that Gave Hope to Freedom

Looking back on the triumphs of my founding fathers gives me much pride for the courage and strength they conveyed when faced with a nearly improbable goal. When faced with the task of claiming their freedom from one of the world's most dominant forces, they signified their stand with the signing of The Declaration of Independence. When I was handed this prompt it came to mind of the struggles that our founding fathers faced, their bravery when signing of The Declaration of Independence, and their first step towards a better tomorrow.

For Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, and other soon to be Presidents and brave politicians, facing Britain's militia was not an easy task. For the men to conquer all of England's armies sent right to their doorstep, they conveyed their ultimate sacrifice. Although these ten men were not the only ones, they still risked the price of their life. The price of the bounty by England would shy away any man who is not in full commitment to see our country free. However, those men did not shy away and did not stop their fight until America was separated From England in July of 1776. I sometimes lose awareness of the idea that the U.S had men to fight for our liberty, way before it was anything but a group of colonies.

Secondly, I reminisced about the day that they took their final step in separating from the King of England when the signed a piece of paper no large than 24 inches by 29. This piece of paper was made for the purpose of being written, without fully knowing that it would go on to define what the colonies became. This regular piece of paper is one of many relics today that

granted us freedom from England just with the simple signing of a few names and a letter saying their separation. So how could a signed piece of paper symbolize what we are today? The answer is simply that they signed this for thousands of people who wanted their freedom to. Those unnamed people who lived in the colonies may have not signed their large signature, like John Hancock did, but they did follow in the footsteps of a few men for hopes of a better life.

Lastly, our founding fathers signed The Constitution to outline the laws and the way we live even today, over 200 years later. They met up again to rewrite history not fully knowing that it would serve as a piece of guidance hundreds of years later. The constitution served for them and now is used for guidance when looking for wisdom of our founding fathers. Not only did it outlive all of its owners, but it is still used to resemble truth. It's a symbol of where we started and how we are one of the most dominant nations in the world.

Looking back at their accomplishments I can proudly say that they outlined and made us who we are today by their simple acts of courage. They were once stacked against thousands where their strength and will were tested. Just looking back at our history I have seen the steps they took and the visions they had for us not knowing if their lifespan would exceed their goals. I stand here today; a proud American who can take pride in knowing that their goal was accomplished and I have freedom.