

LINCOLN LORE

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A LINCOLN SHRINE PILGRIMAGE

There is a constantly increasing number of people interested in the life of Abraham Lincoln who are visiting the shrines marking significant episodes in his life. A memorial highway, extending from his birthplace to his burial place and passing by his Indiana and Illinois homes, is now being planned.

This historic trail which extends in one general direction makes no provision for guiding the traveler back to the starting point over routes which might be of further historical interest. It is the purpose of this bulletin to suggest a supplementary route which will not only include the Lincoln Memorial Highway but also provide for the return of the tourist to his original base over new and interesting trails.

Chicago

Lincoln Park with St. Gaudens' standing Lincoln and close by the Chicago Historical Society's building containing priceless Lincoln relics is the proper base from which to start a Lincoln itinerary. Garfield Park with Mulligan's bronze statue and Grant Park with St. Gaudens' seated Lincoln should also be visited.

South Bend, Indiana

Lincoln's carriage in which he rode to Ford's Theater the night of April 14, 1865, can be seen in the Studebaker Corporation museum.

Fort Wayne, Indiana

Heroic Bronze Statue, "Lincoln the Hoosier Youth," by Manship, in the plaza of the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company Building, Harrison street.

Museum and Library of the Lincoln National Life Foundation, located in the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company Building. Hours: 8 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., week days; Saturday, closes at noon. Admission free. Largest collection of Lincoln literature extant.

Cincinnati

Lincoln here on legal business in 1855, for a political speech in 1859, and as president-elect in 1861. Statue of Lincoln by Hastings at Avondale School grounds and one by Barnard at Lytle Park.

Lexington, Kentucky

Home of Mary Todd Lincoln still standing on East Main Street. Transylvania University, oldest educational institution west of the Allegheny Mountains, and alma mater of many of Lincoln's associates. Residence of Henry Clay located here.

Harrodsburg, Kentucky

Cabin in which Thomas and Nancy Hanks Lincoln were married, preserved in Memorial Park.

Springfield, Kentucky

Official marriage certificate of Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks in County Clerk's office.

Bardstown, Kentucky

Stephen Foster, writer of many Civil War songs, memorialized by Old Kentucky Home State Park.

Gethsemani Abbey, Kentucky

In the cemetery of this monastery Zachariah Riney, first school teacher of Abraham Lincoln, lies buried.

Athertonville, Kentucky

Three hundred feet south of present school building stood the log cabin school house attended by Abraham Lincoln.

Knob Creek Home, Kentucky

Two miles south of Athertonville on the Jackson Highway is the cabin site of Abraham Lincoln's home from 1811 to 1816, now occupied by re-built cabin.

Hodgenville, Kentucky

Statue by Weinman in Court House square. Three miles south on Jackson Highway the Lincoln birthplace, now a national park.

Elizabethtown, Kentucky

First home of Lincoln's parents 1806-1808; site of cabin not known. Home of Thomas Lincoln's second wife, Sarah Bush Johnston. Tablet on building marks site of marriage cabin; marriage bond may be seen in County Clerk's office.

Cannelton, Indiana

Junction point of Kentucky and Indiana sections of Lincoln Memorial Highway. Ferry crosses Ohio river from Hawesville, Kentucky, to Cannelton, Indiana.

Troy, Indiana

Trading point of the Lincolns during early Indiana days. Mouth of Anderson River where Abraham Lincoln operated a ferry one mile west of Troy.

Lincoln City, Indiana

Town built up on section of land settled by Thomas Lincoln in 1816. Lincoln's mother buried in memorial park here. Site of cabin home occupied by Lincolns from 1816 to 1830 part of state reservation. Burial place of Lincoln's sister marked.

Gentryville, Indiana

Lincoln worked in a store here during his last year in Indiana.

Vincennes, Indiana

Junction point of Indiana and Illinois sections of Lincoln Memorial Highway. Lincoln first saw printing press here in 1830 on migration from Indiana to Illinois.

Palestine, Illinois

Lincoln, enroute to new Illinois home, remembered seeing a juggler perform here in 1830.

Charleston, Illinois

Lincoln practiced law here. Scene of Lincoln-Douglas debate.

Farmington, Illinois and Environs

House in which Lincoln lived with stepmother for last time. Last home of his father. Burial ground of his father and stepmother.

Mattoon, Illinois

Lincoln spoke here on September 7, 1858, and ten days later both Lincoln

and Douglas stayed here over night. South of Mattoon stood Thomas Lincoln's first Coles County cabin.

Decatur, Illinois

Lincoln practiced law here, old court house preserved. Short distance east stands Major Warnick's house where Lincoln split many rails. Close by Warnick's is first cabin site of Thomas Lincoln in Illinois.

Bement, Illinois

Bryant House Lincoln-Douglas Memorial.

Springfield, Illinois

Sites of Joshua Fry Speed's General Store; Stuart & Lincoln's law office; Logan & Lincoln's law office; Lincoln & Herndon's law office; home of Ninian W. Edwards; First Presbyterian Church.

Sangamon County Court House; Wabash Freight House; National Lincoln Monument and Tomb, Oak Ridge Cemetery; Lincoln homestead; bronze statue of Abraham Lincoln, by O'Conner; collection of Lincolniana, Illinois State Library; and many other places of interest.

New Salem, Illinois (State Park)

Lincoln lived here from 1831 to 1837. Engaged in mercantile business, became postmaster and county surveyor, and was elected to legislature. Here he courted Ann Rutledge. Many other items of human interest are associated with this spot.

Petersburg, Illinois

Lincoln practiced law here. Ann Rutledge burial marker in cemetery.

Beardstown, Illinois

Famous Duff Armstrong murder trial here and other cases tried by Lincoln.

Havana, Illinois

On the Lincoln circuit. The point where Lincoln landed his canoe upon return from Black Hawk war.

Pekin, Illinois

On Lincoln's circuit when he practiced law.

Peoria, Illinois

Famous reply to Douglas made here on October 16, 1854. Practiced law in city.

Metamora, Illinois

Court House in which Lincoln practiced law now a museum.

Ottawa, Illinois

First city in which Lincoln-Douglas debates were held—August 23, 1858. Lincoln re-enlisted here for further service in Black Hawk War.

Chicago

Upon return to Chicago these exhibits at the Century of Progress will be of interest to admirers of Abraham Lincoln: Lincolniana in Illinois Host Building, the Lincoln Group next to Fort Dearborn, and the Indiana cabin and wild flower exhibit in the garden display at Floral Hall.

Note—The trip can be made in four days by fast driving, but, with adequate time given to Springfield, five or six days should be reserved. The distance is between eleven and twelve hundred miles.