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Courtesy of Jonah Volk

### **Harper's Ferry Memorial, East Vine Street**

The monument was originally erected in 1865 in Westwood Cemetery, but, in 1971, was moved to Martin Luther King, Jr. Park on E. Vine St.

The inscriptions on the faces of the monument are as follows:

"These colored citizens of Oberlin, the heroic associates of the immortal John Brown, gave their lives for the slave.  
Et nunc servitudo etiam mortua est, laus deo."

[translation: And thus slavery is finally dead, thanks be to God.]

"S. Green died at Charleston, Va., Dec. 16, 1859, age 23 years.  
J. A. Copeland died at Charleston, Va., Dec. 16, 1859, age 25 years.  
L. S. Leary died at Harper's Ferry, Va., Oct 20, 1859, age 24 years."

Click [here](#) to learn more about James Monroe and the events at Harper's Ferry.

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