

Patriotic Quotes



There are those in our beautiful land who would have us change our Constitution. They take the Constitution and then claim to be experts while quoting it's near sacred words out of context. Of course, the only true way to understand the context of the document, aside from taking literally, which any reasonable person can do, is to see the intent of the authors and signatories of the document. What better way, than to examine the quotes that they made about freedom, life and liberty. Here I will endeavor to do just that.

This document is split into two section. The first section is made up of quotes made by patriots, both here and abroad who understood what true freedom and liberty is. The second section is composed of quotes from people, again both here and abroad, who are, or have been, enemies of freedom and liberty. My intent is that by your reading both sections, you will provoked into action and that you will realize that more of our freedoms disappear every day. Together, we can do something to save our nation before it is further dismantled by unscrupulous, power hungry and evil people

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<u>The Constitution</u>	<u>Samuel Adams</u>	<u>Edmund Burke</u>	<u>Desmond Tutu</u>	<u>Tenche Coxe</u>
<u>Marcus Tillius</u>	<u>Sir Francis Bacon</u>	<u>The Supreme Court</u>	<u>Felix Frankfurter</u>	<u>Alex de Tocqueville</u>
<u>Patrick Henry</u>	<u>Abraham Lincoln</u>	<u>B. Goldwater</u>	<u>Dr. Walter Williams</u>	<u>Theodore Roosevelt</u>
<u>Thomas Paine</u>	<u>Noah Webster</u>	<u>Paul Harvey</u>	<u>Judge Learned Hand</u>	<u>Robert Heinlein</u>
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<u>George Washington</u>	<u>George Mason</u>	<u>P. J. O'Rourke</u>	<u>John Ruskin</u>	<u>Gen. William Curtis</u>
<u>James Madison</u>	<u>Henry David Thoreau</u>	<u>R. Lucas</u>	<u>Herbert Spencer</u>	<u>Milton Friedman</u>
<u>Alexander Hamilton</u>	<u>Albert Einstein</u>	<u>James Earl Jones</u>	<u>Charles Caleb Colton</u>	<u>Benjamin Constant</u>
<u>Benjamin Franklin</u>	<u>Mark Twain</u>	<u>Richard Henry Lee</u>	<u>Samuel Butler</u>	<u>Thomas A. Edison</u>
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Kissinger

George Bush

Josef Stalin

Nikolai Lenin

William

Jefferson

David

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Adolph Hitler

Sarah Brady

Nikita

Khrushchev

Clinton

"A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

United States Constitution, Second Amendment, 1789

"The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

United States Constitution, Tenth Amendment

"A nation can survive its fools, and even the ambitious. But it cannot survive treason from within. An enemy at the gates is less formidable, for he is known and carries his banner openly. But the traitor moves amongst those within the gate freely, his sly whispers rustling through all the alleys, heard in the very halls of government itself. For the traitor appears not a traitor; he speaks in accents familiar to his victims, and he wears their face and their arguments, he appeals to the baseness that lies deep in the hearts of all men. He rots the soul of a nation, he works secretly and unknown in the night to undermine the pillars of the city, he infects the body politic so that it can no longer resist. A murderer is less to fear."

Marcus Tullius Cicero 42B.C.

"We are not weak, if we make proper use of those means which the God of nature hath placed in our power... The battle, sir, is not to the strong alone; it is to the vigilant, the active, the brave." *Patrick Henry*

"Guard with jealous attention the public liberty. Suspect everyone who approaches that jewel. Unfortunately, nothing will preserve it but downright force. Whenever you give up that force, you are ruined...The great object is that every man be armed. Everyone who is able might have a gun.
Patrick Henry

"Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph."
Thomas Paine

"Society in every state is a blessing, but government, even in its best state is but a necessary evil; in its worst state an intolerable one."
Thomas Paine

"A long habit of not thinking a thing wrong, gives it a superficial appearance of being right."
Thomas Paine

"We are not moved by the gloomy smile of a worthless king, but by the ardent glow of generous patriotism. We fight not to enslave, but to set a country free, and to make room upon the earth for honest men to live in. In such a case we are sure that we are right; and we leave to you the despairing reflection of being the tool of a miserable tyrant."
Thomas Paine

"..the spirit of the times may alter, will alter. Our rulers will become corrupt, our people careless. A single zealot may commence persecutor, and better men be his victims. It can never be too often repeated, that the time for fixing every essential right on a legal basis is while our rulers are honest, and ourselves united. For the conclusion of this war [for

Independence] we shall be going down hill. It will not then be necessary to resort every moment to the people for support. They will be forgotten, therefore, and their rights disregarded. They will forget themselves, but in the sole faculty of making money, and will never think of uniting to effect a due respect for their rights. The shackles, therefore, which shall not be knocked off at the conclusion of this war, will remain on us long, will be made heavier and heavier, till our rights shall revive or expire in a convulsion."

Thomas Jefferson, Notes on Virginia, 1791

"If we run into such [government] debts, as that we must be taxed in our meat and in our drink, in our necessaries and our comforts, in our labors and our amusements, for our callings and our creeds, as the people of England are, our people, like them, must come to labor sixteen hours in twenty-four, give the earnings of fifteen of these to the government for their debts and daily expenses, and the sixteenth being insufficient to afford us bread, we must live, as they now do, on oatmeal and potatoes, have no time to think, no means of calling the mismanagers to account; but be glad to obtain subsistence by hiring ourselves to rivet their chains on the necks of our fellow-suffers."

Thomas Jefferson

"Sometimes it is said that man cannot be trusted with the government of himself. Can he, then, be trusted with the government of others?"

Thomas Jefferson

"Rightful liberty is unobstructed action according to our will within limits drawn around us by the equal rights of others. I do not add 'within the limits of the law', because law is often but the tyrant's will, and always so when it violates the rights of the individual."

Thomas Jefferson

"It is strangely absurd to suppose that a million human beings collected together are not under the same moral laws which bind each of them separately."

Thomas Jefferson

"The strongest reason for people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government."

Thomas Jefferson

"No man will ever bring out of the Presidency the reputation which carried him into it."

Thomas Jefferson

"I swear upon the altar of God, eternal hostility to every form of tyranny over the mind of man."

Thomas Jefferson

"If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their money, first by inflation and then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around [the banks], will deprive the people of their property until their children will wake up homeless on the continent their fathers conquered."

Thomas Jefferson

"[The] governor [is] constitutionally the commander of the militia of the State, that is to say, of every man in it able to bear arms." *Thomas Jefferson to A. L. C. Destutt de Tracy, 1811*

"Laws that forbid the carrying of arms...disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes...Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants; they serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man."

Thomas Jefferson

"Experience hath shewn, that even under the best forms [of government] those entrusted with power have, in time, and by slow operations, perverted it into tyranny."

Thomas Jefferson

"The legitimate powers of government extend to such acts only as they are injurious to others."

Thomas Jefferson

"To compel a man to subsidize with his taxes the propagation of ideas which he disbelieves and abhors is sinful and tyrannical."

Thomas Jefferson

"The beauty of the second amendment is that it will not be needed until they try to take it."

Thomas Jefferson

"Timid men prefer the calm of despotism to the tempestuous sea of liberty."

Thomas Jefferson

"A Bill of Rights is what the people are entitled to against every government, and what no just government should refuse, or rest on inference."

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Thomas Jefferson

"Does the government fear us? Or do we fear the government? When the people fear the government, tyranny has found victory. The federal government is our servant, not our master!"

Thomas Jefferson

"The course of history shows that as a government grows, liberty decreases."

Thomas Jefferson

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights,

that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Thomas Jefferson, The Declaration of Independence

"The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not." *Thomas Jefferson*

"If a nation expects to be ignorant and free...it expects what never was and never will be."

Thomas Jefferson

"The true foundation of republican government is the equal right of every citizen in his person and property and in their management."

Thomas Jefferson

"Nothing... is unchangeable but the inherent and unalienable rights of man."

Thomas Jefferson

"I would rather be exposed to the inconveniences attending too much liberty than to those attending too small a degree of it." *Thomas Jefferson*

"The freedom and happiness of man... are the sole objects of all legitimate government."

Thomas Jefferson

"Our liberty cannot be guarded but by the freedom of the press, nor that be limited without danger of losing it."

Thomas Jefferson

"None but an armed nation can dispense with a standing army. To keep ours armed and disciplined is therefore at all times important."

Thomas Jefferson

"...the tree of liberty must from time to time be refreshed with the blood of tyrants and patriots"

Thomas Jefferson

"The constitutions of most of our States assert that all power is inherent in the people; that... it is their right and duty to be at all times armed."

Thomas Jefferson to John Cartwright, 1824.

"No freeman shall be debarred the use of arms (within his own lands or tenements)."

Thomas Jefferson: Draft Virginia Constitution with his note added, 1776. Papers, 1:353

"We must make our election between economy and liberty, or profusion and servitude."

Thomas Jefferson to Samuel Kercheval, 1816.

"I am not a friend to a very energetic government. It is always oppressive."

Thomas Jefferson to James Madison, 1787.

"The very atmosphere of firearms anywhere and everywhere restrains evil interference - they deserve a place of honor with all that's good"

George Washington

"Firearms are second only to the Constitution in importance; they are the peoples' liberty's teeth."

George Washington

"How soon we forget history..."Government is not reason. Government is not eloquence. It is force. And, like fire, it is a dangerous servant and a fearful master."

George Washington

"Do not separate text from historical background. If you do, you will have perverted and subverted the Constitution, which can only end in a distorted, bastardized form of illegitimate government."

James Madison

"Americans [have] the right and advantage of being armed, unlike citizens of other countries whose governments are afraid to trust people

with arms."

James Madison

"The best we can hope for concerning the people at large is that they be properly armed."

Alexander Hamilton

"They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety...."

Benjamin Franklin

"In transactions of trade it is not to be supposed that, as in gaming, what one party gains the other must necessarily lose. The gain to each may be equal. If A has more corn than he can consume, but wants cattle; and B has more cattle, but wants corn; exchange is gain to each; thereby the common stock of comforts in life is increased."

Benjamin Franklin

"Remember, democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts, and murders itself. There never was a democracy yet that did not commit suicide."

John Adams

"Rights come from GOD not the state. You have rights antecedent to any earthly governments rights that can not be repealed or restrained by human laws. Rights derived from the great legislator: God."

John Adams

"If ye love wealth greater than liberty, the tranquility of servitude greater than the animating contest for freedom, go home from us in peace. We seek not your counsel, nor your arms. Crouch down and lick the hand that feeds you; May your chains set lightly upon you, and may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen."

Samuel Adams

"The Constitution shall never be construed to authorize Congress to prevent the people of the United States, who are peaceable citizens,

from keeping their own arms."

Samuel Adams

"Nay, the number of armies importeth not much, where the people is of weak courage; for as Virgil saith, "It never troubles the wolf how many the sheep be."

Sir Francis Bacon, Essays, 1625.

"If there is anything which it is the duty of the whole people to never entrust to any hands but their own - that thing is the preservation of their own liberties and institutions."

Abraham Lincoln

"You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer. You cannot further the brotherhood of many by encouraging class hatred. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich. You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn. You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves."

Abraham Lincoln

"Before a standing army can rule, the people must be disarmed; as they are in almost every kingdom of Europe. the supreme power in America cannot enforce unjust laws by the sword; because the whole body of the people are armed, and constitute a force superior to any bands of regular troops that can be, on any pretense, raised in the United States."

Noah Webster

"The militia of the United States consists of all able-bodied males at least 17 years of age..."

Title 10, Section 311 of the U.S. Code.

"To disarm the people (is) the best and most effectual way to enslave

them..."

George Mason

"I ask, sir, what is the militia? It is the whole people, except for a few public officials."

George Mason

"There will never be a really free and enlightened State until the State comes to recognize the individual as a higher and independent power, from which all its own power and authority are derived, and treats him accordingly."

Henry David Thoreau

"Anyone in a free society where the laws are unjust has an obligation to break the law."

Henry David Thoreau

"The strength of the Constitution lies entirely in the determination of each citizen to defend it. Only if every single citizen feels duty bound to do his share in this defense are the constitutional rights secure."

Albert Einstein

"I know not with what weapons World War III will be fought, but World War IV will be fought with sticks and stones."

Albert Einstein

"Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds."

Albert Einstein

"In the beginning of a change, the Patriot is a scarce man, Brave, Hated, and Scorned. When his cause succeeds however, the timid join him, For then it costs nothing to be a Patriot."

Mark Twain

"Among the many misdeeds of the British rule in India, history will look upon the act of depriving a whole nation of arms, as the blackest."

Mahatma Ghandi

"A government big enough to give you everything you want is big enough to take everything you have."

Barry Goldwater

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing."

Edmund Burke (1729-1797)

"It is not the function of the government to keep the citizen from falling into error; it is the function of the citizen to keep the government from falling into error."

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Parker, Chief Prosecutor for the United States of America at the Nurnberg Trials

"If 'pro' is the opposite of 'con' what is the opposite of 'progress'?" *Paul Harvey*

"Some regard private enterprise as if it were a predatory tiger to be shot. Others look upon it as a cow that they can milk. Only a handful see it for what it really is--the strong horse that pulls the whole cart."

Winston Churchill

"You can't get rid of poverty by giving people money."

P.J. O'Rourke

"The militia is the dread of tyrants and the guard of freemen." *Gov. R. Lucas, former Major General of the Ohio Militia, 1832*

"The world is filled with violence. Because criminals carry guns, we decent law-abiding citizens should also have guns. Otherwise they will win and the decent people will loose."

James Earl Jones

"To preserve liberty it is essential that the whole body of the people always possess arms and be taught alike, especially when young, how to

use them..."

Richard Henry Lee

"A militia, when properly formed, are in fact the people themselves...and include all men capable of bearing arms."

Richard Henry Lee

"The ideal tyranny is that which is ignorantly self-administered by its victims. The most perfect slaves are, therefore, those which blissfully and unawaredly enslave themselves."

Dresden James

"Freedom and liberty lose out by default because good people are not vigilant."

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

"Freedom of the press is not an end in itself but a means...to a free society."

Felix Frankfurter

"...they who do not learn from History are DOOMED to repeat it."

"When you read in the newspaper that the government has taken Walter Williams' guns, then you will know that Walter Williams is dead."

Dr. Walter Williams , George Mason University Economics Dept.

"It is both possible and moral, to love one's country and hate its government."

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"Liberty lies in the hearts of men and women; when it dies there, no constitution, no law, no court can save it."

Judge Learned Hand

Inscribed on our Hallowed LIBERTY BELL are these words: "Proclaim Liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof. We Paid the Price ONCE!"

Without seeking, truth cannot be known at all. It can neither be declared from pulpits, nor set down in articles, nor in any wise prepared and sold in packages ready for use, Truth must be ground for every man by itself out of its husk, with such help as he can get, indeed, but not without stern labor of his own.

John Ruskin

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"He that is good, will infallibly become better, and he that is bad, will as certainly become worse; for vice, virtue and time are three things that never stand still."

Charles Caleb Colton

"The reasonable man adapts himself to the world, but the unreasonable man tries to adapt to the world to him--therefore, all progress depends upon the unreasonable man."

Samuel Butler

"Today, we need a nation of Minutemen, citizens who are not only prepared to take arms, but citizens who regard the preservation of freedom as the basic purpose of their daily life and who are willing to consciously work and sacrifice for that freedom."

John F. Kennedy

"Who are the militia? Are they not ourselves? Is it feared, then, that we shall turn our arms each man against his own bosom? Congress have no power to disarm the militia. Their swords, and every other terrible implement of the soldier, are the birthright of an American. The unlimited power of the sword, is not in the hands of either the federal or state government, but, where I trust in God it will ever remain, in the hands of the people."

Tench Coxe 1788

"There are many men of principle in both parties in America, but there is no party of principle."

Alexis de Tocqueville

Americans are so enamored of equality they would rather be equal in slavery than unequal in freedom.

Alexis de Tocqueville

"America is great because America is good. When America ceases to be

good, America will cease to be great."

Alexis de Tocqueville

"Patriotism means to stand by the country. It does NOT mean to stand by the President or any other public official save exactly to the degree in which he himself stands by the country. It is patriotic to support him insofar as he efficiently serves the country. It is unpatriotic not to oppose him to the exact extent that by inefficiency or otherwise he fails in his duty to stand by the country."

Theodore Roosevelt

"An armed society is a polite society."

Robert A. Heinlein

"Popular opinion is the greatest lie in the world."

Thomas Carlyle

"A man's country is not a certain area of land, of mountains, rivers and woods, but it is a principle; and patriotism is loyalty to that principle."

General William Curtis

"There are severe limits to the good that the government can do for the economy, but there are almost no limits to the harm it can do."

Milton Friedman. Nobel laureate

"Every time government attempts to handle our affairs, it costs more and the results are worse than if we had handled them ourselves." *Benjamin Constant, Brazilian statesman 1833-1891*

"Five percent of the people think; ten percent of the people think they think; and the other eighty-five percent would rather die than think."

Thomas Edison

Quotes By Infamous People

"Today Americans would be outraged if U.N. troops entered Los Angeles to restore order; tomorrow they will be grateful! This is especially true if they were told there was an outside threat from beyond, whether real or promulgated, that threatened our very existence. It is then that all peoples of the world will pledge with world leaders to deliver them from this evil. The one thing every man fears is the unknown. When presented with this scenarios, individual rights will be willingly relinquished for the guarantee of their well being granted to them by their world government." *Henry Kissinger in an address to the Bilderberg organization meeting at Evian, France, May 21, 1992. Transcribed from a tape recording made by one of the Swiss delegates.*

"We are grateful to the Washington Post, the New York Times, Time Magazine and other great publications whose directors have attended our meetings and respected their promises of discretion for almost forty years." He went on to explain: "It would have been impossible for us to develop our plan for the world if we had been subjected to the lights of publicity during those years. But, the world is more sophisticated and prepared to march towards a world government. The supernational sovereignty of an intellectual elite and world bankers is surely preferable to the national autodetermination practiced in past centuries." *David Rockefeller speaking at the June 1991 Bilderberger meeting in Baden Baden, Germany (a meeting also attended by then Governor Bill Clinton and Dan Quayle).*

"It is the sacred principles enshrined in the UN Charter to which we will henceforth pledge our allegiance." *George Bush addressing the world leaders at the UN.*

"This year will go down in history. For the first time, a civilized nation has

full gun registration! Our streets will be safer, our police more efficient, and the world will follow our lead into the future!" *Adolph Hitler (1889-1945), April 15, 1935*

"... History shows that all conquerors who have allowed their subjected peoples to carry arms have prepared their own fall."

Adolf Hitler, Edict of 18 March 1939

"The United States should get rid of its militias."

Josef Stalin, 1933

"Our task of creating a socialist America can only succeed when those who would resist us have been totally disarmed."

Sarah Brady to Howard Metzenbaum, 1984

"The best way to destroy the capitalist system is to debase the currency."

Nikolai Lenin

"Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even when there is no river."

Nikita Khrushchev

"I'm a politician, and when I'm not out kissing babies, I'm thinking of ways to steal their lollipops."

American Politician in the movie "The Hunt for Red October"

"The purpose of government is to rein in the rights of the people"

William Jefferson Clinton; during an interview on MTV in 1993 **Note:**

Finally, we get a politician to admit it!

"You know the one thing that's wrong with this country? Everyone gets a chance to have their fair say."

Bill Clinton, May 29, 1993, The White House

Note: Didn't this guy swear to protect and defend the Constitution?

"I can tell you that the decisions we made, we made because we thought they were in the interests of the American people,"

Bill Clinton, on being asked why he signed waivers, against the Pentagon's protest, to sell Loral missile guidance systems technology to Communist China, enabling China for the first time to launch nuclear weapons. (May 18, 1998 edition of the Washington Times, front page)

Note: When will this traitor learn that the American People and the Democratic Party are two different things?

"There are a lot of very brilliant people who believe that the nation-state is fast becoming a relic of the past,"

President Clinton, New York Times, November 25, 1997

Note: And these same brilliant people would like to take away your freedom and enslave you in a one world government!

"We can't be so fixated on our desire to preserve the rights of ordinary Americans"

William J. Clinton, USA Today, March 11, 1993

Note: No, he has to be fixated on destroying our individual rights.

When we got organized as a country and we wrote a fairly radical Constitution with a radical Bill of Rights, giving a radical amount of individual freedom to Americans, it was assumed that the Americans who had that freedom would use it responsibly.... [However, now] there's a lot of irresponsibility. And so a lot of people say there's too much freedom.

When personal freedom's being abused, you have to move to limit it.

President Bill Clinton, 3-22-94, MTV's "Enough is Enough"

Note: Finally, he admits his real motives. I'll bet that only 1 out of 10,000 MTV viewers really understood what he said.

"African-Americans watch the same news at night that ordinary Americans do."

President Clinton on Black Entertainment Television, November 2, 1994

Note: If I were an African American Person, I would be greatly insulted. Personally, I thought that all Americans were ordinary Americans.