

American Battle Monuments Commission dedicates redesigned visitor center at Cambridge American Cemetery

ARLINGTON, VA, UNITED STATES, May 25, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The [American Battle Monuments Commission](#) officially dedicated its redesigned visitor center May 25 at [Cambridge American Cemetery](#) with a ribbon cutting following this year's Memorial Day ceremony.

"In a world that moves quickly, places like this ask us to pause—to listen, to learn, and to carry something forward," said ABMC Commissioner John Freeman. "My hope is that everyone who enters this visitor center will leave not only better informed, but more personally connected to the Americans commemorated here, and more committed to the values they defended."



Maj. Gen. Akshai M. Gandhi, U.S. European Command; ABMC Commissioner John Freeman; Warren A. Stephens, U.S. Ambassador to the United Kingdom; and His Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire Julie Spence, cut the ribbon dedicating the visitor center at

The updated visitor center reflects ABMC's commitment to educating future generations about the cost of war through more engaging, inclusive, and accessible interpretation while remaining respectful of the cemetery's commemorative purpose. The new exhibition is designed to appeal to visitors of all ages and learning styles, creating experiences that go beyond reading alone. The redesigned exhibition includes:

- The use of more engaging text and images supported by integrated technology
- The engagement of visitors through sensory experiences and personal storytelling
- A designated children's area, with content designed specifically for younger guests

Rather than focusing on a single battle, the exhibition presents a broader World War II narrative, telling the story of the millions of Americans who passed through Great Britain, many of whom

stayed for years and profoundly influenced British society. The exhibition addresses the question “Why Britain?” and highlights the enduring human connections formed during the war.

Throughout the visitor center, personal stories and quotes help visitors connect with the individuals remembered at Cambridge American Cemetery, reinforcing ABMC’s mission to honor the service, achievements, and sacrifice of U.S. service members.

ABMC’s mission is to honor the service of U.S. armed forces by creating and maintaining memorial sites, offering commemorative services, and educating future generations about their legacy.

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Cambridge American Cemetery Superintendent John Bolt provides a tour of the newly redesigned visitor center exhibition May 25, 2026, after the ribbon cutting. (ABMC/Richard Howell)

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