



Bunker Hill Flag

The Bunker Hill flag illustrated above has a blue field and a design called the Cross of St. George, which was the national symbol of England. In the corner of the canton (the square division in many flags) is a pine tree, possibly representing the pine tree shilling, a type of coin minted in Massachusetts. There is much controversy concerning whether or not this flag actually flew at Bunker Hill. Some accounts claim the flag was a result of a wood engraving error, which caused the field to be blue rather than red. Nevertheless, this flag has become the symbol of the Battle of Bunker Hill and was even illustrated on a 1968 U.S. postal stamp.