

VZPOMÍNKY (17)

Independence, Missouri

Město spjaté s 34. viceprezidentem a 32. prezidentem USA (v letech 1945 - 1953)

Harry S. Truman (8. 5. 1884 - 26. 12. 1972)

Narozen v Lamaru, Missouri a vyrůstal v Independence, dvanáct let se věnoval byznysu.

Střední jméno neexistuje, jen ve formě písmene "S - s tečkou a bez tečky). Trumanův kompromis mezi středními jmény jeho dědečků - SHIPP (Truman) a SOLOMON (Young). Jedná se tudíž jen o iniciálu.

"Pesimista je ten, kdo ztěžuje své příležitosti, a optimista je ten, kdo dělá příležitosti ze svých obtíží".

Harry S. Truman

Independence

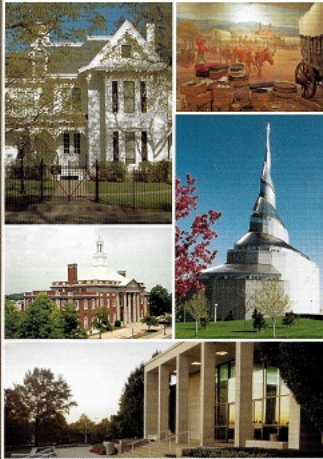
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From rugged frontier trails bound for fortune in the west to opulent Victorian mansions built for 19th century entrepreneurs. From infamous outlaws to hometown hero Harry S. Truman. From bloody border battles of the Civil War to the inspiring heritage of world-renowned religions that call Independence "Zion." Independence is a time capsule of American dreams and American adventure.

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Historic Attractions

Independence Square

Start your Independence Tour at the historic Independence Square, where Harry Truman started his political career and thousands began their trek west on the Santa Fe, Oregon and California Trails. Visitors and locals alike enjoy coming "Uptown" for unique shopping, antique-hunting and specialty dining. 816-252-0608.

1827 Log Courthouse

You'll be fascinated by the history that fills this rudimentary structure, which for four years served as the last courthouse between Independence and the Pacific Ocean. If walls could talk, we'd be astounded at what these well-worn logs could tell us, including the story of an angel who visited the courthouse in 1833.

107 West Kansas Avenue 816-325-7431
Hours: Apr 1-Oct 31: 10-4 Mon-Sun; Nov-Mar: 10-2 Mon-Fri. Cost: Free admission.



1859 Jail and Marshal's Home

The dungeon-like cells of the 1859 Jail housed thousands of prisoners including Frank James and William Clark Quantrill of Quantrill's Raiders. Both the Jail and the Marshal's Home have been painstakingly restored and boast a superb historical collection.

217 North Main 816-252-1892
Hours: Apr-Oct: 9-4 Mon-Sat, 1-4 Sun; Nov-Dec: 9-4 Tue-Sat, 1-4 Sun; Closed Jan & Feb.
Cost: \$4 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$1 ages 6-16, under 6 free.
Special: Holiday tours day after Thanksgiving-Dec 30.



Clinton's Soda Fountain

Clinton's Soda Fountain and Gifts is the site of Harry Truman's first job. A visit to Clinton's is a great way to learn more about the early life of this fascinating leader.

100 West Maple 816-833-2046
Hours: 10-6 Mon-Thur; 11-8 Fri & Sat; 12-3 Sun



Bingham-Waggoner Estate

You can almost hear the blazing guns of the Civil War and the rhythmic clatter of wagon wheels echo through the grounds of this magnificent estate. The Bingham-Waggoner, once owned by the artist George Caleb Bingham, has witnessed the best of American heritage with its front row seat on the Santa Fe and Oregon Trails. It has seen the despair of bloody battles as the western-most border of the Civil War.

313 West Pacific 816-461-3491
Hours: Apr 1-Oct 31: 10-4 Mon-Sat, 1-4 Sun. Cost: \$4 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$1 ages 6-16, under 6 free. Special: Holiday tours day after Thanksgiving-Dec 30.



Chicago and Alton Depot

Built in 1879, the depot began to fall into disrepair after the last train ran through Independence on the C&A line on April 14, 1960. In 1994, Friends of the Chicago and Alton Depot was established to preserve the structure. It was moved to the National Frontier Trails Center Campus in 1996.

318 West Pacific 816-325-7955
Hours: Call for hours. Cost: \$2 adults, \$1 students 6-17, under 6 free.



Community of Christ World Headquarters Temple and Auditorium

Community of Christ is an international Christian denomination with 250,000 members. The Temple houses a museum & bookstore, a 1,600-seat sanctuary with a soaring spiral ceiling, multi-cultural artwork and a 102-rank pipe organ. The Auditorium, designed in the 1920's, features a 5,600-seat Conference Chamber and 111-rank pipe organ.

Auditorium 1001 West Walnut
Temple 201 South River
816-833-1000 ext. 3020
Tours: FREE, 9-5 Mon-Sat and 1-5 Sun.
Free organ recitals: 3pm Sundays, daily in June, July and August.



Harry S. Truman Home, National Historic Site

Harry Truman never really went to Washington...he just commuted from his hometown of Independence. Today, you can tour the house that was home to Bess and Harry Truman from their marriage in 1919 until their deaths. Known as the "Summer White House" during Truman's presidency, this 14-room Victorian home was completed by Mrs. Truman's maternal grandfather in 1885 and is part of the Harry S. Truman National Historic Landmark District.

Ticket & Visitor Center (corner of Main and Truman) 816-254-9929
Hours: Daily 8:30-5. Cost: \$3 adults, ages 16 and under free.
Special: tours of home: 9-4:45 (8 people every 15 minutes).
No tours on Monday from Labor Day-Memorial Day.

Harry S. Truman Office & Courtroom

Harry Truman began his political career as a County Judge in the Square's historic courthouse, available for tours and an A/V show tracing Truman's life before his presidency.

112 West Lexington 816-795-8200
Hours: Mar-Dec: 9-4:30 Fri & Sat; by appt. Jan & Feb and for group reservations. Cost: \$2 adults, \$1 seniors and children 5-13



Historic Independence Timeline

1804-1806 Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery exploration west.

1821 William Bucknell's first trip to Santa Fe, Missouri Compromise, Missouri statehood.

1827 Independence founded, Jackson County Log Courthouse built.

1831 Joseph Smith, Jr. designates Independence as the Centerplace.

1836 Independence Square Courthouse built.

1843 "Great Migration" kicks off massive travel on Oregon Trail.

1849 Gold Rush begins on California Trail.

1855 Bingham-Waggoner Estate built.

1859 Jail built.

1860 Joseph Smith III becomes President of RLDS Church.

1861-1865 Civil War.

1869 Completion of transcontinental railroad and decline of frontier trail use.

1881 Vaile Mansion built.

1884 Harry S. Truman born.

1917

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1922

1935

Mormon Visitors Center

Learn about the key roles Mormons played in the early and tempestuous history of Independence.

See rare artifacts, exhibits and artwork documenting the history and beliefs of the Saints. Of particular note is a two-story mural entitled "The Second Coming of Jesus Christ."

937 West Walnut 816-836-3466

Hours: 9-9 daily; 12-7 Christmas Day. Cost: No admission fee. Guided tours.



National Frontier Trails Center

During America's expansion in the 1800s, three great routes led the pioneers west—the Santa Fe, Oregon and California Trails. All three began in or near Independence, also known as the "Queen City of Trails." Relive one of the most captivating sagas in American history at the National Frontier Trails Center. Traders made fortunes by daring to cross hostile plains, and families left loved ones and braved half a continent of wilderness to fulfill the American Dream. These are stories that will touch your heart and speak to your spirit of adventure.

318 West Pacific 816-325-7575

Hours: 9-4:30 Mon-Sat; 12:30-4:30 Sun; Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Cost: \$3.50 adults, \$3 seniors, \$2 ages 6-17, under 6 free.



Truman Presidential Museum & Library

In the final stages of a \$22.5 million renovation, the Truman Presidential Museum & Library invites you to experience the eventful and triumphant life of America's 33rd President. Permanent museum attractions include *Harry S.*

Truman: The Presidential Years, an exhibit featuring interactive decision theaters, a replica of Truman's Oval Office and a film by Academy Award-winning filmmaker Charles Guggenheim that provides an in-depth look at Truman's life.

500 West Highway 24 816-833-1400

Hours: 9-5 Mon-Sat; 9-9 Thur; Noon-5 Sun, Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Cost: \$5 adults, \$4.50 seniors, \$3 ages 6-18, under 6 free. Special: Self-guided tours.



Leila's Hair Museum

The only museum of its kind in the nation. Leila's Hair Museum is devoted to an art form that died out in the early 1900s. Displays, picture frames and jewelry are made out of human hair.

815 West 23rd Street 816-252-4247

Hours: 9:30-3 Tue-Sat; call for appointment. Cost: \$3 adults, \$1.50 seniors and children 7-10, under 7 free.

Pioneer Spring Cabin

A look at log cabin life in the 1800s.

Truman and Noland Roads 816-325-7432

Hours: Apr 1-Oct 31: 10-2 Mon-Fri; Closed Nov-Mar.

Vaile Mansion

Recognized as one of the finest examples of Victorian architecture in the U.S., this opulent 1881 estate boasted conveniences such as flushing toilets, a built-in 6,000 gallon water tank, and a 48,000 gallon wine cellar.

1500 North Liberty

816-325-7430

Hours: Apr 1-Oct 31: 10-4 Mon-Sat, 1-4 Sun. Cost: \$4 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$1 ages 6-16, under 6 free. Special: Holiday tours day after Thanksgiving-Dec 30.



1918 U.S. involvement in World War I.

Truman marries.

Truman elected judge.

Truman elected to Senate.

1944 Truman elected Vice-President.

1945 Truman becomes President.

1945 Atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima.

1945 Truman spoke at the signing of the United Nations Charter.

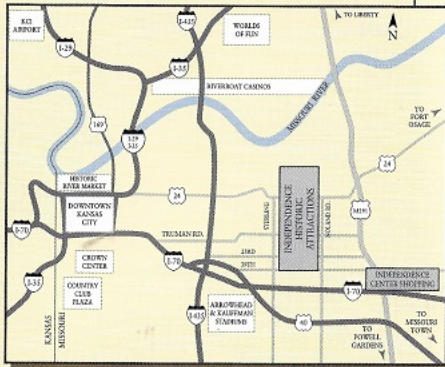
1948 Truman signs "Foreign Assistance Act" launching the Marshall Plan.

1951 Truman fires General MacArthur.

1953 Truman returns to Independence.

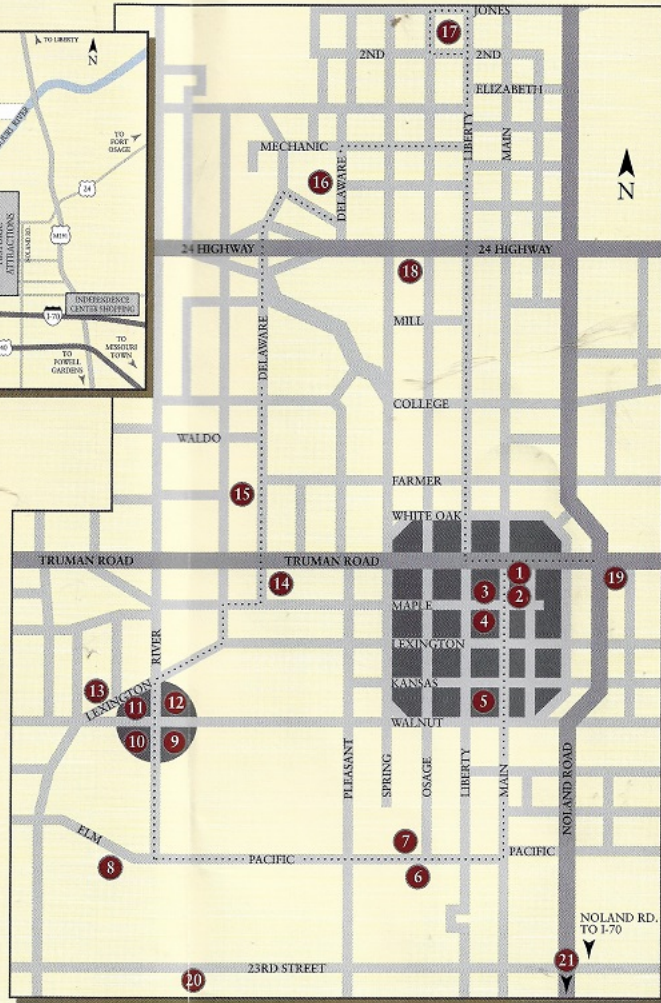
1972 Truman dies.

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Follow the Trail of History

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18. Mid-Continent Library Genealogy Department
19. Pioneer Spring Cabin
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21. To Independence Center Shops and Hartman Heritage Conference Center



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800-748-7323 or 816-325-7111
www.visitindependence.com