

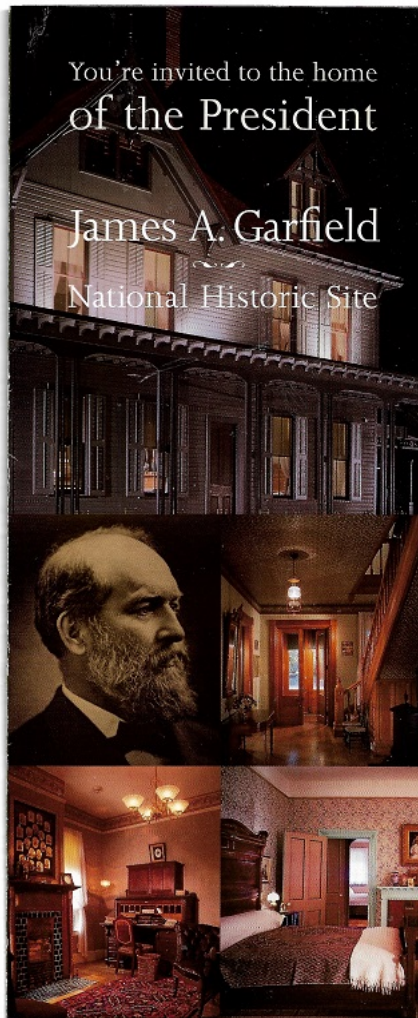
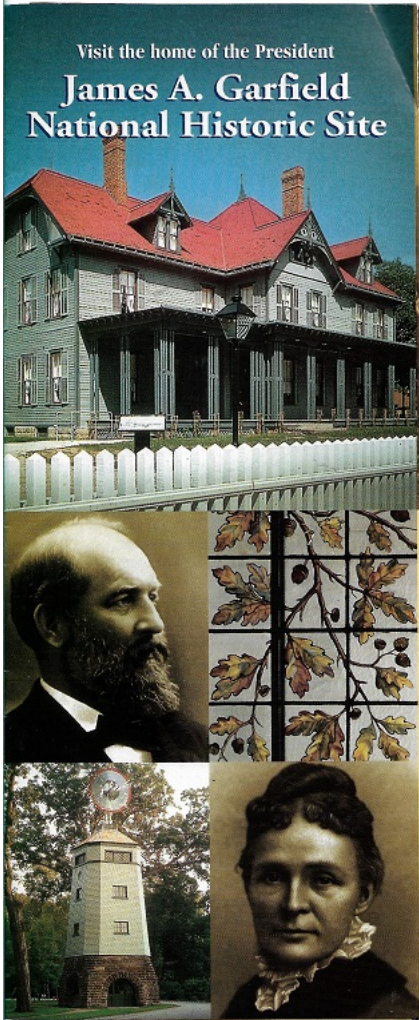
JAMES ABRAM GARFIELD (19. 11. 1831 - 19. 9. 1881), 20. prezident USA

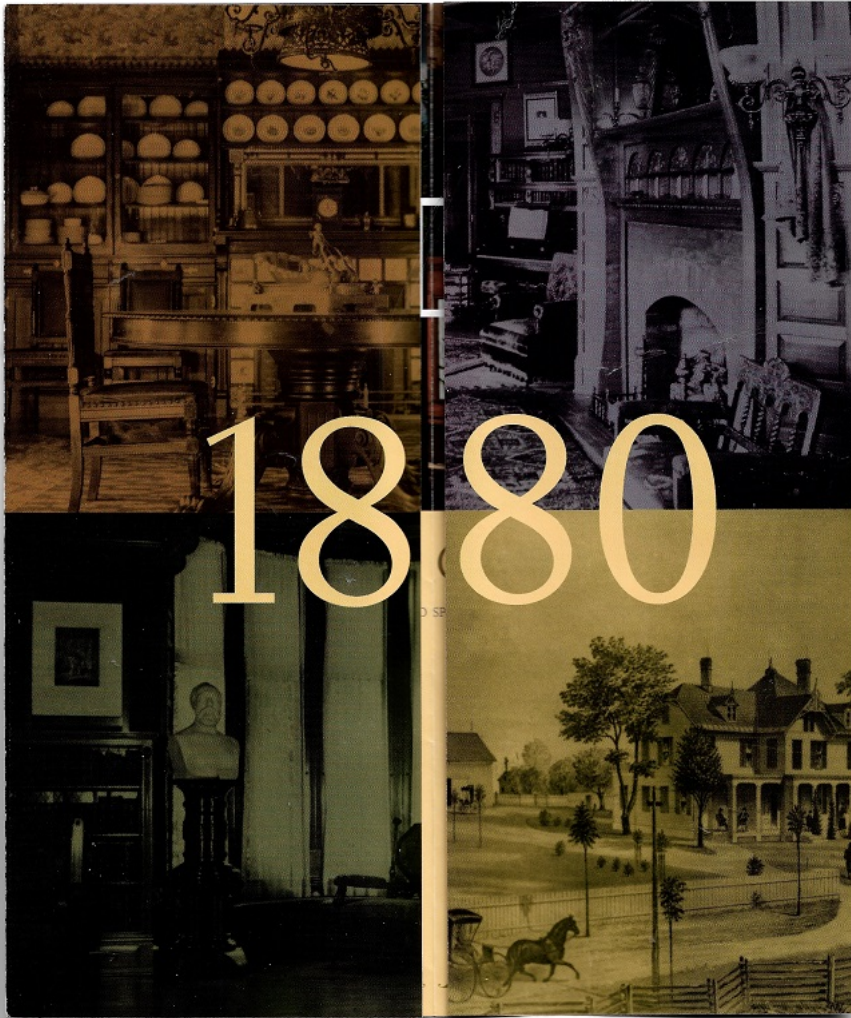
Druhý zavražděný americký prezident . V úřadě byl 6 měsíců a 15 dní v období od 4. 3. 1881 do 19. 9. 1881). Atentát 2. 7. 1881.

Dům prezidenta Garfielda se nachází v městě Mentor ve státě Ohio.

Nyní National Historic Site v péči The Western Reserve Historical Society.

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Fellow citizens! God reigns, and the

JAMES ABRAM GARFIELD 1831-1881: ATTRIBUTED

VISIT PRESIDENT GARFIELD'S HOME TO GET A GLIMPSE AT A PRESIDENT'S LIFE. President Garfield's home looks almost exactly as it did between 1880 and 1885. Relax on the famous front porch from which Garfield campaigned for the nation's highest office. Inside the home, tour the sprawling rooms with intimate touches that give a snapshot of his family life. See the tiles that surround the fireplace, each lovingly hand painted by his family and friends. Discover the rooms where his mother lived, while keeping a watchful eye on the family. Take in the tranquility that exists in Garfield's personal study, and imagine him kicking back in his favorite chair, long limbs thrown over the arm.

HISTORY OF THE HOME Garfield purchased the nine-room, dilapidated farmhouse with outbuildings in 1876.

In 1880, he enveloped the original structure, adding rooms to accommodate his large family. Reporters nicknamed the home "Lawfield" because of the wide expanse of lawn on which they camped during the campaign. Following his death in 1881, Lucretia, his widow, added the memorial library wing, which consisted of 9 additional rooms and more than doubled the size of the house. The library included a vault to store his personal letters and papers, as well as the books he treasured, and set the precedent for Presidents to have libraries built in their honor. Lucretia remodeled the home in 1904, and the family retained ownership of the structure until 1936, when it was donated to the Western Reserve Historical Society by Garfield's children. Congress authorized the property as a National Historic Site on December 28, 1980.



Look back to a simpler time and experience life in President Garfield's home.



Today, President Garfield's house looks much as it did in the late 19th century. Learn about why the house is nicknamed "Lawfield" as you step onto his famous porch. Come inside and tour the home's many rooms to catch a glimpse of his family life. See the beautiful tiles that surround the dining room fireplace, hand-painted by his wife, children and friends. See the rooms where his mother lived and kept a watchful eye on the household's many activities. Enjoy the tranquility of Garfield's personal study and imagine him relaxing in his favorite chair, his long limbs thrown over the chair's arm.



From House to Home to Historic Site

In 1876, Congressman Garfield purchased a farm in Mentor on which stood a dilapidated nine-room house and outbuildings. In 1880, he put on a large addition, enveloping the old structure and creating a new 20-room home to more comfortably accommodate his large family. That same year Garfield was nominated as the Republican presidential candidate. He opened his home "Lawfield" for the wide expanse of lawn where they frequently camped during the campaign.

After Garfield's death, Lucretia, his widow, returned to Lawfield. In 1885-86, she added a wing to the house that included a memorial library and a vault room to safely house Garfield's treasured books and personal papers. This library helped to set the precedent for libraries built in honor of past presidents.

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The Site

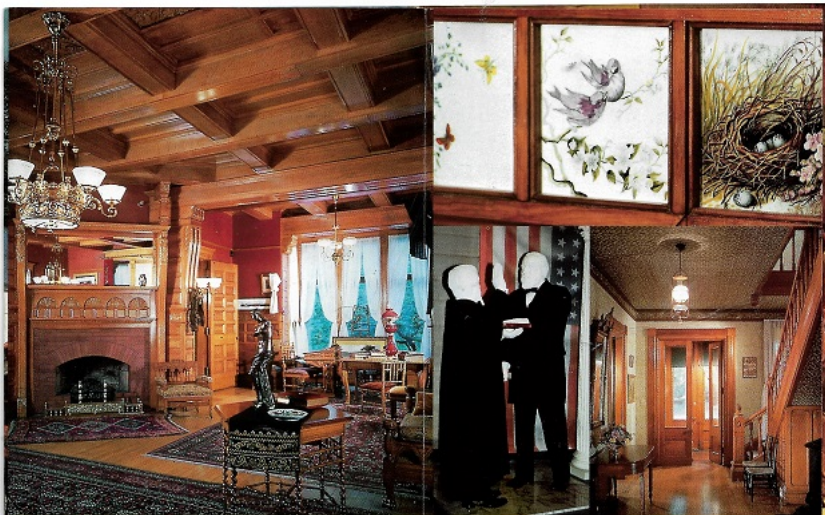
The 7.82-acre site includes the 29-room home, visitor center/museum (formerly the Carriage House) featuring scenes from Garfield's career as a politician, including his inauguration, nomination at the Republican Convention and untimely death. Also, see the campaign office, a 75-foot pump house/windmill, gas holder, horse barn/education center, and former granary and chicken coop.

Hours

Open daily May 1 through October 31, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, Noon-5 p.m. Open Saturday and Sunday, November 1 through April 30. School and adult group tours welcome by appointment. Closed Memorial Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

Group Tours

Discounts on admission are available to groups of 12 or more with advance reservations. Free parking is available for the motorcoach, as well as free admission for the motorcoach driver and tour escort. Call 216.721.5722 ext. 320 for more information and to make arrangements.



School and Youth Group Tours

The James A. Garfield National Historic Site offers a series of fun, hands-on educational field trips for schools, scouts and other youth groups. Call 440.255.8722 to receive program information and to make arrangements. Guests can also plan children's birthday parties at the James A. Garfield National Historic Site! A variety of party packages are available with hands-on activities. Call 216.721.5722 ext. 320 for more information.

Museum Store

Don't forget to visit the Museum Store in the Visitors Center, featuring a selection of Presidential and Victorian-era merchandise. Reproductions of Garfield family treasures and books on the life and death of our 20th President are highlights of this unique store.

Membership

Become a member of the Western Reserve Historical Society and receive free admission to the James A. Garfield National Historic Site and to all WRHS properties, a subscription to *The News*, the Society's newsletter, special invitations to Members' events and more. Call 216.721.5722 ext. 260 to join now!

Directions

East or west of Cleveland (I-90): Take I-90 East to the State Route 306 exit. Go north approximately 1 mile to Route 20 (Mentor Avenue) and turn right (east). Go past the Great Lakes Mall and Garfield Park. The James A. Garfield National Historic Site will be on your left.

East or west of Cleveland (State Route 2, the Shoreway): Take Route 2 to the State Route 615 exit. Go south approximately 1 mile to Route 20 (Mentor Avenue) and turn right (west). The James A. Garfield National Historic Site will be on your right.

From the south (I-271): Take I-271 to I-90 East to State Route 306 exit. See directions from I-90.

