



Kentucky's War of 1812: Bellevue, Ky.

The Kentucky Historical Society's historical marker 1351 in Campbell County commemorates the city of Bellevue, which was named for property owned by James Taylor.

James Taylor was a banker, politician, extensive land owner and War of 1812 officer who owned a farm in Campbell County. When a town was incorporated on what was his original land grant for military service, it was named Bellevue, which was the name of Taylor's home.

Born and raised in Virginia, Taylor moved to Kentucky in 1793. He helped establish the city of Newport, and there he became a prominent land owner. In 1803, Taylor helped secure a U.S. Army post there, which ultimately became the Newport Barracks.

During the War of 1812, he became quartermaster general for Gen. William Hull and campaigned near Detroit. He died in 1848 and when the city of Bellevue was named in his honor.

Aerial view of Bellevue, Ky., which was named for property owned by a War of 1812 veteran.