

Private Patrick Murphy is honored on the 1909 monument plaque as a wounded patriot.

In *Kings Mountain and its Heroes*, Lyman Copeland Draper quoted John Sevier, son of the Watauga Colonel, Governor John Sevier, on page 302:

After the battle, among the stores captured from the enemy was a keg of rum, some of which was conveyed to the wounded Pat Murphy, with which to bathe his wound. He had been shot across the windpipe in front, cutting it considerably. Pat held the cup while a companion gave the wound a faithful bathing. This done, he swallowed the remainder, remarking with much *sang froid*, "a little in was as good as out."

For those who have forgotten your French lessons, *sang froid* means "composure or a stable, calm state of the emotions" Literally *froid* means cold and *sang*, as in sanguine, means blood.