



Levasseur and Carmel Families

Web and social media capsule



A magnificent monument in memory of Laurent Levasseur and his wife Marie Marchand

After 2 years' work, Laurent Levasseur, his family and all of his descendants now have a monument commemorating this pioneer, founder of a long Levasseur lineage. This stela was installed at the end of October 2023, where he lived most of his life: in front of the majestic St. Lawrence River, a stone's throw from the beautiful « Narrow Roads River » now the Etchemin River. It was in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic that the idea was born to pay tribute to this man and his wife, the procreators of the largest number of Levasseurs in America. This project took a great deal of research, consulting with many people and documents. And it is with great enthusiasm that the city of Lévis allowed its Etchemin DomainPark to serve as a permanent host to the memorial of one of its earliest settlers on the Lauzon coast around 1669.



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The plaque that adorns it and commemorates Laurent Levasseur, his wife and says:

Very close to here lived Laurent Levasseur (around 1648 - 1726), his wife Marie Marchand (around 1651 - 1716) and their 14 children.

Around 1663, a young man who was barely 15 years old, originally from Bois-Guillaume (Rouen) in France, arrived in New France. By the year 1669 he had settled on the coast of Lauzon. He would figure among the first settlers of the new seigneurie of Lauzon, along with Louis Marchand, whose daughter Marie he would marry the following year.

The land where they would settle sits only a few hundred yards from here, in the Etchemin Domain Park. It was a nice pièce of land, 40 arpents (about 7600 feet) long towards the south east, by 3 arpents (570 feet) wide on the St Lawrence River.

Laurent and Marie are the ancestors of a very long lineage of Levasseurs that we find all over Canada and the United States, and in particular from Lévis to Gaspésie and throughout New Brunswick.

It is with gratitude and honor that the Levasseur Association of America wishes to highlight the commitment of Laurent, Marie and their descendants to this part of the world that became their native land and ours.

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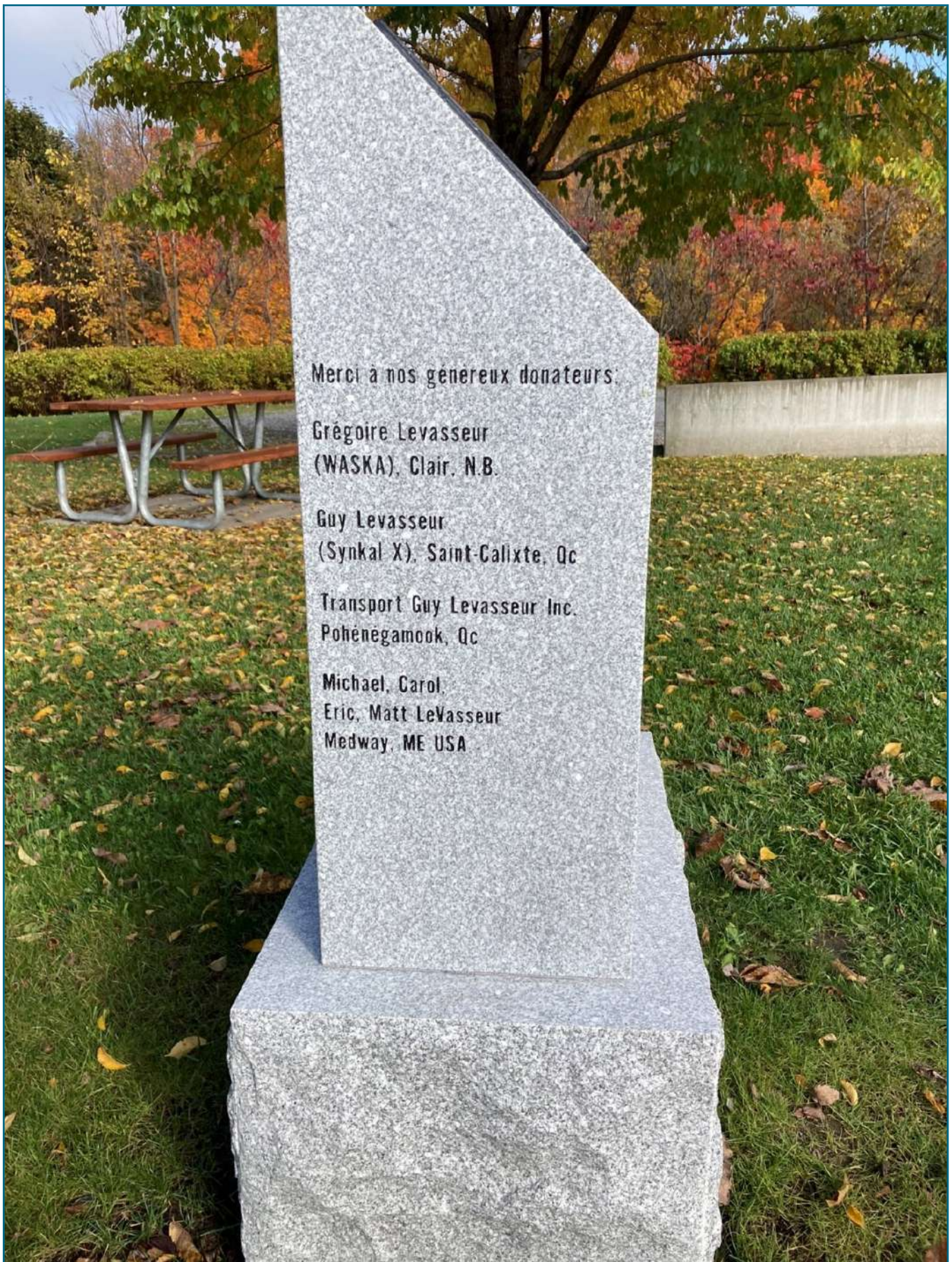


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Some photos of the site and the monument:







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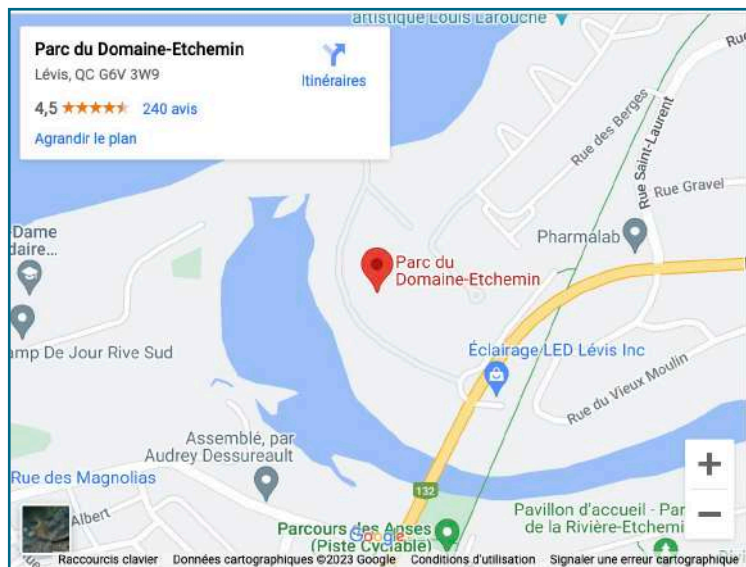
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Parc du Domaine-Etchemin (Lévis, Chaudière-Appalaches, Quebec) is a park located near « Cimetière des Frères-de-l'Institution-Chrétienne" and « Parc Aline-Welsh-Murphy ».

For more information on the route to this place, you can easily find the route with the Google Maps application or similar.

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/iSr8KgHovkqUMAb69>

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