



Truman Home



219 N. Delaware Street in Independence, Missouri, was the home of Harry and Bess Truman for more than five decades.

After serving ten years in the U.S. Senate and nearly eight years in the White House, Harry S Truman returned to his beloved home in Independence. Truman happily wrote, “I found myself right back where I started.”

The home that was so dear to Harry Truman is open to the public. Its contents reflect the lifestyle of a “people’s president” who lived a long and surprisingly simple life. It was his home for more than 50 years, starting with his marriage to Bess Wallace in 1919 until his death in 1972. During his presidency, 1945-1953, it was often known as the “Summer White House.” After 1953, it became a sanctuary for Harry and Bess as they returned to their lives as private citizens.



“I tried never to forget who I was and where I’d come from and where I was going back to.”

—Harry Truman

Harry Truman always remembered his roots.



Truman Home Tour Information:

The Truman home is located at 219 N. Delaware Street in Independence. The home is open by guided tours only. Tour tickets must be purchased at the visitor center, and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Tour sizes are limited. The cost is \$4 per person. Children 15 and younger are free. All persons touring the home must have a ticket. Group reservations are available upon advanced request.

Visitor Center Information:

The visitor center is located at 223 N. Main Street in Independence, five blocks east of the Truman home. Tickets to tour the Truman home must be purchased at the visitor center. The visitor center features an orientation film, exhibits on the Truman family, and a bookstore.

Cell Phone Tours:

Three cell phone tours are available that describe Truman's life experiences in Independence and Grandview. Free maps to accompany the cell phone tours are available in the visitor center.

Hours of Operation:

Visitor center daily 8:30-5:00 except New Year's Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day.

Admission charged.

The Truman home is closed for tours on Mondays from Labor Day to Memorial Day.

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