

Mammoth Cave National Park



William and Hannah Garvin Home Place

The first enslaved people living at Mammoth Cave worked in the cave digging cave dirt to get saltpetre used to make gunpowder. Less than 30 years later, other enslaved men explored the cave and guided tours. William Garvin married Hannah, daughter of former enslaved guide Nicholas Bransford who lived in the log cabin next door.

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