



Legends Never Die

What is a legacy? To many, a legacy is an amount of money or property that is left behind by someone after they have passed away. I view it differently. To me, a true legacy is when a person is remembered for the sacrifices they made throughout their lifetime to help others. The Robert Gould Shaw in 54th Regiment Memorial depicts the first all black regiment to fight in the civil war, and is proof that the men who were a part of that regiment, as well as Colonel Robert Gould Shaw, left a strong legacy in the state of Massachusetts. Their selflessness and bravery when fighting against the south not only helped the nation progress towards the abolishment of slavery, but also allowed them to be remembered forever by the people of Massachusetts and the United States as a whole. The David Ignatius Walsh Monument, also found in Boston, was built to honor Walsh's selflessness and desire to help those in need. He was a large proponent of the government having to be more charitable, and fought for the censorship of racist films during his time as senator. Both Walsh and the men of the 54th Regiment proved that selflessness and bravery are the foundation for building a legacy and being remembered forever.