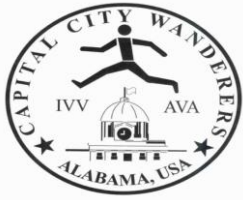


The Capital City Wanderers



Welcome you to Monroeville the Literary Capital of Alabama

Monroeville, Alabama, was the home of Nelle Harper Lee and her childhood neighbor, companion, and life-long friend, Truman Capote. Many of Capote's writings are seen as based on his childhood in Monroeville. He was close to his Monroeville relatives and visited frequently during his lifetime. Harper Lee has stated that Truman was the model for Dill in "To Kill a Mockingbird." More than 30,000 people visit Monroeville every year drawn by the connection to Lee's Pulitzer Prize winning book "To Kill a Mockingbird." Other notable literary figures from Monroeville include Mark Childress and Cynthia Taylor.

This walk will take you by the courthouse where Harper Lee's famous book, "To Kill a Mockingbird" was brought to the silver screen, and where the play is reenacted each year by local actors. (For more information visit www.tokillamockingbird.com.) You will also walk thru the cemetery where Nelle Harper Lee, as well as many of her relatives are buried. As you walk through the downtown area, you will see many historic buildings, some with beautiful murals on the walls. After leaving the downtown area, you will walk through quiet residential areas on the way to the Veterans Memorial Park (on the 11K route, only) has a display of several aircraft and honors every branch of the military.

Special programs: Walking with America's Veterans & Par for the Course (11K only) – both in Veteran's Park.

THIS WALK IS OSB ONLY!

Walk Registration:

Registration takes place online using that AVA Online Start Box, at my.ava.org. Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

REMINDER: Be sure to log back into the OSB system once you have physically completed the walk. Login to your Online Start Box account, click on the "My Start Box" tab, then the "Finish Table" tab, then click on "Go to Finish Table" button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped "virtual" insert cards that you may choose to print out.

Driving Directions to Start/Finish Point:

Monroeville Police Department, 57 S Mt Pleasant Ave., Monroeville, AL 36460

From I-65, take Exit 93, US -84W toward Monroeville approximately 20 miles. Turn right on AL-136W, then bear right onto AL -21N for approximately 2 miles. Keep left onto S Alabama Avenue for another mile. Turn left on Hines (Trustmark Bank on corner), then right on Mt Pleasant. Police Station will be on your right.

Please use the parking lot across the street. Restrooms are available inside the Courthouse/Police Station Bldg.

Table of Contents:

Pg. 1 – general information. Pg. 2 & 3 – Walk directions. Pg. 4 – 5K route map. Pg. 5 – 11K route map.

MONROEVILLE - LITERARY CAPITAL OF ALABAMA

YRE 1522 - 11K (Rated 2A) / 5K ROUTE (Rated 1A)

Walk directions:

1. Facing the Police Station, go **LEFT** on **MT PLEASANT** (1/2 block).
2. Carefully cross **CLAIBORNE** and go **RIGHT** to pass in front of the Old Courthouse (1 block).

On your left is the Old Courthouse which was built in 1903. The Courtroom in this building was the model for the movie based "To Kill a Mockingbird." Truman Capote wrote about the Courthouse Clock as "always about 30 minutes off the right time." The Old Courthouse Museum is located inside Note the monument to Atticus Finch placed here by the Alabama Bar Association to honor the hero of "To Kill a Mockingbird."

3. Carefully cross **ALABAMA** and continue on **CLAIBORNE** (1 block) to **CHERRY**, passing the City Hall and the water tower on your left.

4. **LEFT** on **CHERRY** to the end.

5. **RIGHT** on **PINEVILLE**.

6. **Pass** the Pineville Cemetery on your right, then turn **RIGHT** to **enter the cemetery**, just before the house on the right side of the road.

This cemetery is actually three cemeteries combined (Pineville/Old Baptist/Hillcrest Cemeteries). The graves of Truman Capote's cousins (Jennie, Callie, Sook, and Bud Faulk) are in the older west section of the cemetery as well as the Lillie Faulk (Truman Capote's mother) Memorial. The grave of A.C. Lee (Harper Lee's father) is in the newer east section.

7. **LEFT** on the first paved road.

8. **RIGHT** at the end of the road.

9. **RIGHT** at the next road.

Harper Lee's grave is near the end, on the right.

10. **LEFT** at the end of that road. Continue to follow the pavement around to the **RIGHT** at the back of the cemetery to the exit at the opposite end from where you entered.

11. **LEFT** on **PINEVILLE** (2 blocks).

12. **LEFT** on **ALABAMA** (no sign).

Monroeville/Monroe County Chamber of Commerce (86 N. Alabama) is the restored site of the First National Bank built about 1925. Inside you can pick up more information about the local area and see the old, large bank vault. Faulk Millinery Shop (32 N. Alabama), a two-story building next to the Post Office, was owned by the Faulks, cousins of Truman Capote. Jennie Faulk operated a millinery shop downstairs and rented space beside her shop for a pharmacy and office space upstairs.

13. At **CLAIBORNE** turn **RIGHT** to cross **ALABAMA**, then immediately **LEFT**, and continue on **ALABAMA** to **POPLAR** (5 blocks, traffic light).

You will pass the historic marker on the site of the Faulk family home, where Truman Capote lived for several years, as a child.

14. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on **POPLAR** to the end.

15. CAREFULLY cross **MT PLEASANT**, watching for cars from the left!

11K WALKERS go LEFT and continue on **MT PLEASANT** until the sidewalk ends. (about 2K). Then continue with **step #16**.

5K WALKERS go RIGHT and continue with **step #15.A**.

15.A. CROSS and **LEFT** on **MIMS** (just past the Elementary School on the right) to the end.

15.B. CROSS and **RIGHT** on **JOHNSON** to the end.

15.C. RIGHT on **CLAIBORNE**.

15.D. RIGHT on **MT PLEASANT**, to return to the **START/FINISH**.

16. **LEFT** on **VETERANS**.

17. RIGHT to enter the Veteran's Memorial Parking Lot and view the Veteran's Memorial Park Exhibit.

Veteran's Park also has softball fields, T-ball fields, beach volleyball courts, soccer fields, and a playground.

In case of Emergency: Dial 911 Event assistance: Diane McFarland: 334-354-4576

18. Return to **VETERANS** and turn **RIGHT** on the sidewalk.

19. **LEFT** on **LETT**. Lett becomes Whetstone after a block, but **DO NOT** turn left at the Whetstone sign! Continue straight on the sidewalk, just past the Episcopal Church on the left and the VA Outpatient Clinic on the right. (about 1.5K)

20. **LEFT** on **LOUISE** to the end.

21. **LEFT** on **DAISY** to the end.

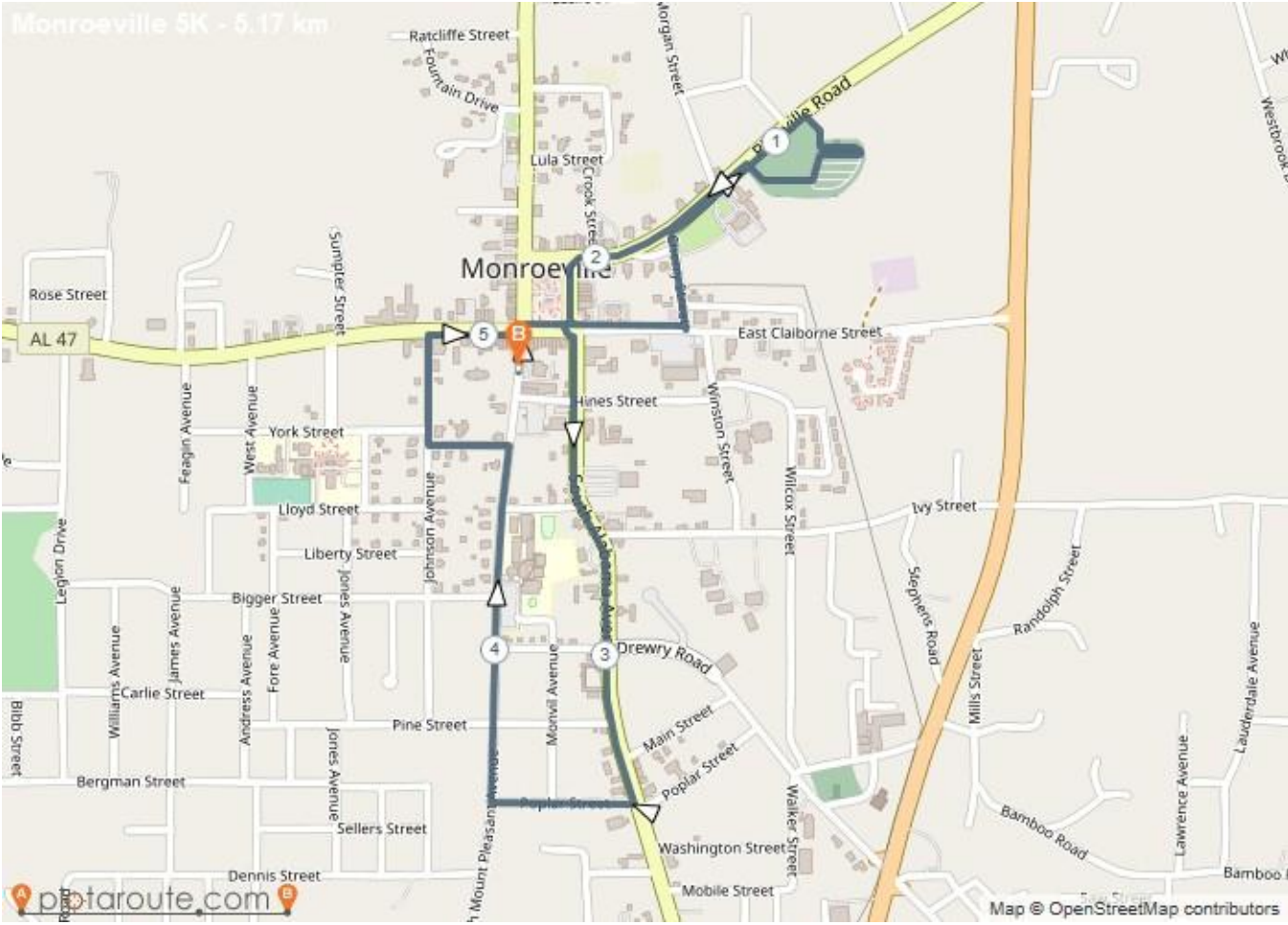
22. **RIGHT** on **KRESS** to the end.

23. **LEFT** on **LANGHAM** to the end.

24. CAREFULLY **CROSS MT PLEASANT**, watching for cars from the left, and go **RIGHT** to return to the **START/FINISH**. (about 2K)

These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

5K MAP



These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

11K MAP

