

Paul Revere

1735-1818

Characteristics or Beliefs

- **Diligent:** Revere began working at a young age in his father's silversmith shop. After his father's death, he continued the family business as a silversmith and engraver.
- **Liberty:** As a **Patriot**, he actively worked towards **liberty** and **independence** for the colonists. Revere was also a member of the **Sons of Liberty**, a group of colonists that believed that Great Britain should no longer have control over the colonies. He bravely delivered secret messages between leading patriots that were planning the colonists' freedom. In 1773, Revere helped plan the **Boston Tea Party**, a protest on British taxes. He is best remembered for his April 18, 1775 **midnight ride** warning that the British were about to attack the colonists. He was captured, released, then went on to fight in the **American Revolution**.
- **Respect for Authority:** Revere showed respect for authority to the leaders of the colonies and the members of the Sons of Liberty. Later, he showed respect to the new United States Government leaders.

Social Barriers or Obstacles

- British Government ruling colonies
 - British taxes
- Fear of being captured

Location:

Boston, Massachusetts

Revere's silversmith shop was located near the **Boston Harbor**. This was a busy trading port where ships came to sell goods from different countries and purchase colonists' goods. At the silversmith shop, Revere would hear stories, concerns, and often complaints about the way that Great Britain was treating the colonists.

Importance of location:

- Busy port providing information from travelers
- If they could gain independence from Great Britain at this important and busy trading port, then it would allow other colonies to gain freedom as well.

