

# The ALAMO

## *Cenotaph Investigation*

### Preserving Texas History

The Alamo Cenotaph Investigation, a comprehensive effort to ensure the lasting legacy of this monumental symbol of sacrifice and valor.

#### Preservation in Place:

First and foremost, let's clear up a common misconception: The Alamo Cenotaph is here to stay! There are no plans to relocate this historic monument. It will remain in the very spot it has stood for over 80 years, honoring its historical significance and providing a source of reflection for generations to come.

#### A Closer Look:

But why the investigation? The answer is simple. We want to ensure that the Alamo Cenotaph continues to endure the tests of time. To do this, we need to thoroughly understand its current condition, address any potential concerns, and make informed decisions for its conservation.

#### Time and Duration:

The Alamo Cenotaph Investigation is set to take place in the Fall of 2023 and will last for a few weeks.

#### All Materials Stay On-site:

Rest assured, during the investigation, none of the materials from the Alamo Cenotaph will be taken off-site. Every single piece of this historic monument will remain right here on the Alamo grounds. This preservation approach allows us to protect its integrity and historical elements while ensuring its long-term stability.

#### What to Expect:

**Transparent Process:** We're committed to transparency throughout the investigation. A secure fence perimeter will be established for safety, and will not be wrapped, allowing you to observe the process without any obstructions.

**Live Camera Access:** Can't make it to the Alamo in person? No problem! We've set up a 24-hour live camera feed of the Cenotaph. Now you can witness the investigation from anywhere with an internet connection.

<https://www.thealamo.org/cenotaph-live-cam>

**No Relocation:** Remember, the Alamo Cenotaph isn't going anywhere. It's staying right here, continuing to stand as a powerful symbol of sacrifice and remembrance.

Stay updated with real-time information, access our live camera feed, visit our website, and connect with us on the Alamo social media as we work to ensure that this cherished monument remains a source of inspiration for all.

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# Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

## 1. Why is the investigation being conducted?

The investigation is being conducted to assess the structural integrity of the Alamo Cenotaph and ensure its long-term preservation. It's a proactive effort to understand its current condition, address any potential concerns, and make informed decisions for its conservation.

## 2. How will the investigation be conducted?

The investigation will take place within a defined perimeter around the Cenotaph, enclosed by a fence. This arrangement will be in effect for a few weeks, starting on Fall 2023. Notably, the fence will not feature wrapped screens, ensuring that patrons can actively observe the ongoing investigation. A dedicated team of structural engineers, historic preservationists, and other experts will be on-site throughout the investigation. This collaborative effort will encompass a range of methods, such as material analysis, historical research, and expert evaluations. By adopting this comprehensive approach, specialists will be able to attain a thorough understanding of the monument's condition.

## 3. Will the Cenotaph be moved?

**No, the Alamo Cenotaph will not be moved.** The Alamo Trust, Inc. is resolute in its commitment to preserving the Alamo Cenotaph where it has stood for over the last 80 years, honoring its historical significance and maintaining its enduring presence for generations to come.

## 4. Will any of the Cenotaph stones be taken off-site?

No, none of the Cenotaph stones or materials will be taken off-site. Throughout the investigation, all Cenotaph stones and materials will remain within the confines of the Alamo grounds. The preservation of the monument's integrity and historical elements remains paramount.

## 5. Will the investigation alter the Cenotaph's final appearance?

No, the investigation is designed to minimize any impact on the monument's appearance. The goal is to gather essential information while preserving the Cenotaph's historical and aesthetic integrity.

## 6. What is the expected duration of the investigation?

The investigation is anticipated to span between a few weeks. The timeline may be subject to adjustments based on the intricacy of the findings.

## 7. Will the Cenotaph be open to the public during the investigation?

The Cenotaph will remain visible from Alamo Plaza and through our Live Camera. However, for safety reasons, visitors will not have access to the memorial at close proximity.

## 8. How can I stay updated on the investigation's progress?

Stay connected through our website, official social media channels, and the Alamo's Cenotaph Live Camera. Follow us on Facebook [[OfficialAlamo](#)] and Twitter [[@OfficialAlamo](#)] for real-time updates and access the live camera at [<https://www.thealamo.org/cenotaph-live-cam>].

## 9. What happens after the investigation is complete?

Once the investigation concludes, the findings will be carefully reviewed. Based on the results, appropriate steps will be taken to ensure the preservation and long-term stability of the Alamo Cenotaph.