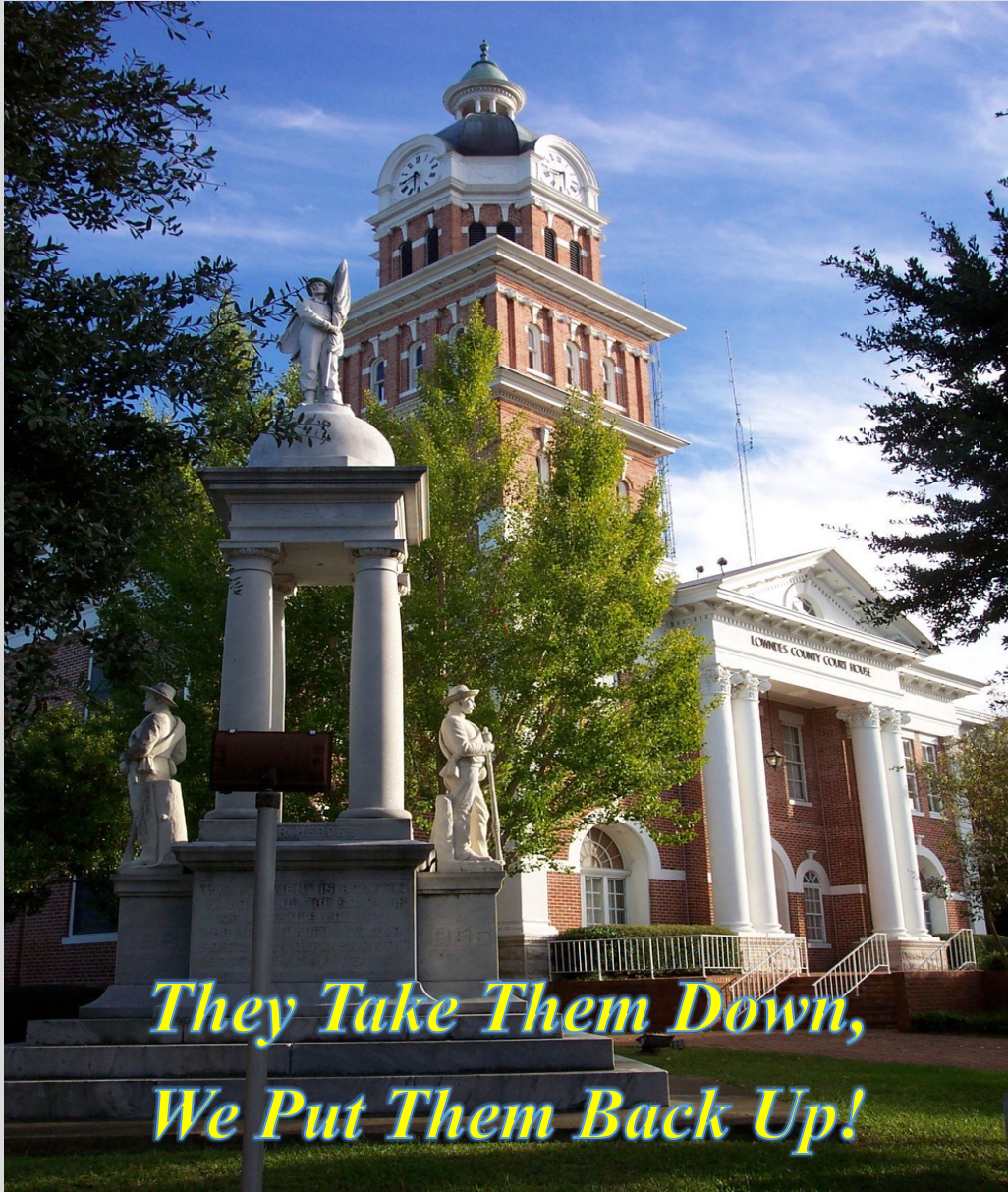


# *The Delta General*

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**Dedicated to the Memory of Brig/ General Benjamin G. Humphreys**



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- Camp meeting—November 12, 2022 (Guest Speaker Bro. James Taylor, Also Special Guest Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers and his wife Linda)
- November is Confederate Native American Month



## Commander's Comments —

### Larry McCluney

Compatriots,

Welcome to the November edition of the Delta General. I hope you will enjoy this month's issue. November is starting to be a busy month with monuments that were taken down and now going back up, like the Lowndes County Monument in Columbus. Please make all efforts to attend that ceremony on November 12 at the Friendship Cemetery at 11L00 AM. November is also Confederate Native American Month and I hope you take the time out to learn more about our Compatriots of Native American persuasion. If you have never visited or have not lately visited Elm Springs, I highly recommend you do so and see our new museum. It is coming along in leaps and bounds. See the burial plot of General Forrest and his wife as well as visit The Forrest Boyhood Home which is 30 minutes away.

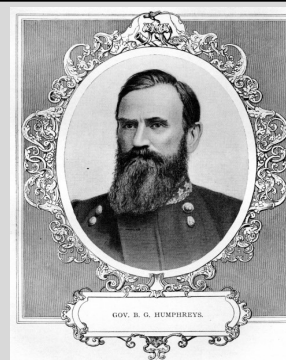
In this issue of the Delta General, you will read highlights of Confederate Native Americans, Civil War PTSD?, Heros Von Borke, A Soldier's Return, and the Cadets at U. of Alabama. I hope you will enjoy those articles. Let us also keep our Commander-in-Chief and his family in our prayers. His father has been ill and looks like he may have a heart valve replaced.

For Camp business, I would like for us begin planning our Lee/Jackson Banquet. I have secured Lt. Commander-in-Chief Donnie Kennedy (sof The South Was Right fame) as our speaker and he will be bringing plenty of books as well he said when he accepted.

Our speaker for the night will be Bro. James Taylor who has spoken to us on several occasions and is always enjoyable to hear.

We have some people who did not renew their dues this year. This is not good. If you have not paid your renewals this could be your last issue of the Delta General so please renew your dues and help us keep up the fight on our enemies who would besmirch our ancestor's good name.

Please bring a friend or potential recruit at our to our November 12 meeting as we gather to carryout our Camp's business and remember our Confederate ancestors. We hope to see you there.



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## Camp Adjutant's Report — Dan McCaskill - October 2022

Camp Commander Larry McCluney called the Meeting to order at 5:00 pm and gave the opening prayer and blessing. Following the prayer, Color Sergeant Earl Allen, Jr. led us in the Pledge and salutes to the Flags followed by the reading of The Charge.

Commander McCluney then invited everyone to partake of the evening meal provided by the Ladies of the Ella Palmer Chapter, OCR.

**Program:** Our program for the evening was presented by the Mayor of Horn Lake, MS and long time SCV Member Allen Latimer who spoke on the life of Marcus De Lafayette Stephens, commander of the 31<sup>st</sup> Mississippi Infantry. Marcus was born in Water Valley, MS. He studied medicine at the Louisville Medical College, KY and married Mary Duff. When the war broke out, he enlisted in Company D, 31<sup>st</sup> MS Infantry as its Captain in March of 1862 and by March 1864 was its Colonel. Marcus was severely wounded at the Battle of Franklin, TN and was eventually discharged because of those wounds. After the war, Marcus became a merchant at Water Valley and also served in the Mississippi Legislature as a Representative and Senator. Marcus "Crossed Over" on April 15, 1911. This is a brief of the program Allen presented but the entire presentation was very interesting and educational. Y'll missed a good one.

**Officer Reports:** Lt. Commander Michael Anthony stated he is working on programs for November and December and is open to any suggestions.

Adjutant Dan A. McCaskill reported that Camp Membership is back to Forty (40) with the renewal of John Creech. Dan also reported on the passing of recent past member Jimmy Alford in early September. The current account balance is \$ 2,310.11 of which \$ 770.80 is the remaining Fiscal Budget. The expenses since the last Camp Meeting were \$12 for stamps and \$151 Annual Fee for the Website. The Annual 990-EZ has been filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

Camp Editor Larry McCluney asked if anyone had problems with receiving the Camp Newsletter. None had.

As Camp Commander, Larry reported on the Forrest Statute and Plaza Project at Elm Springs, SCV Headquarters. Money is needed to complete the project and he had a proposal to present a little later in the meeting.

The first Saturday in October will be the General Executive Council Meeting at Elm Springs in Columbia, TN. The meeting is open to all SCV members in good standing.

The third Saturday in October will be the 35<sup>th</sup> Fall Muster at Beauvoir in Biloxi, MS.

No other Officer Reports were given.

**Camp Business:** Commander McCluney asked for a motion to adopt the Minutes from our September Camp Meeting. Michael Anthony made the motion to adopt, Kenneth Ray seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

In connection with his earlier report, Camp Commander McCluney proposed the Camp take on a Camp Project of raising \$1,000 to aid the Forrest Project at Elm Springs. This would require a donation of \$25 from each Camp member. Larry felt this project is very doable. Kenneth Ray made the motion to adopt this as a Camp Project. The motion was seconded by Dan McCaskill and the motion passed without objection. Larry hoped these funds could be raised by our Lee-Jackson Banquet in January.



Next item of business was our Lee-Jackson Banquet. Larry reported Lt. Commander-in-Chief Donnie Kennedy had been secured as our guest speaker if the Banquet is held on January 14, 2023. Michael Anthony made the motion to hold the Lee-Jackson Banquet on Saturday, January 14, 2023 and formerly invite Donnie Kennedy as our Guest Speaker. The motion was seconded by Kenneth Ray and the motion passed without objection. The next item in connection of the Banquet was to secure a room for our speaker Saturday night of the banquet. A motion was made by Kenneth Ray to reserve a room at the Hampton Inn for Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> for our speaker. The motion was seconded by Michael Anthony and the motion passed without objection.

In other business, Larry stated we need to look for events where we could recruit new Camp Members. One event to look at is Gun Shows. We learned the Greenville, MS Gun Show will be February 4 & 5, 2023 and we will search for others.

**Upcoming Events:** October 14 – 16 is the 36<sup>th</sup> Fall Muster at Beauvoir; November 12<sup>th</sup> is the re-dedication of the Columbus, MS Confederate Memorial in Friendship, Saturday at 11:00 am; November 18 – 20 is the Camp Moore Re-enactment; June 9 – 11, 2023 is the MS Division Reunion to be held at Beauvoir and July 19 – 22, 2023 is the National SCV Reunion at Hot Springs, AR.

The Ladies of the OCR help their evening raffle. The winners were Missy Stillman for the coffee; Sandra Stillman for the Beauregard soap and Michael Anthony for the Forrest Soap.

With no other business coming before the Camp, the motion to adjourn was made by Kenneth Ray, seconded by Earl Allen and passed. Larry prayed for traveling mercies and the meeting was closed with the singing of Dixie.

Attendance was 10 counting the speaker and guest.

## Chaplain's Corner — Earl McCown

### **Not Lost In The Crowd**

*"And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said unto him, 'Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for to day I must abide at thy house.'" Luke 19:5*

In our large world it's easy to feel that we are nothing more than an insignificant speck in the midst of a multitude. Our world tends to depersonalize us, seeking to make us like everyone else, but God loves us in specific ways that are particular to us.

Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem to fulfill His assignment on the cross. The multitudes thronged around Him in such numbers that the diminutive Zacchaeus could not see Jesus unless he climbed a tree. Zacchaeus would have been satisfied simply to catch a glimpse of the great Teacher. But Jesus stopped, turned, and looked directly at him! In that moment, Zacchaeus was oblivious to the crowd around him. Thus began a special time with Jesus that radically changed his life.

Jesus will relate to you in ways that are unique to you. He knows your past; He knows what you will face in the future. Because He knows everything about you. His word to you will perfectly fit the circumstances of your life. You may be in a group of Christians who are listening to God's Word, and you may hear things from Him that no one else hears. Don't become frustrated with others if they are not as excited about the truth from God as you are. Don't be impatient with them if they are not implementing God's Word in their lives exactly as you are. God will personalize His word to you. He will relate to each of your friends in a way that specifically meets their needs as well.

#### **Editor's Note:**

For those who may not be aware, our Camp Chaplain, Earl McCown, had a nasty fall last month and broke his pelvis. He is in the Ruleville Rehab and is doing well. Annette and myself visited him and he is in great spirits, and of course ready to get back home. The Camp sent flowers and Annette and I went to visit him. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues his recovery.

Larry McCluney, Commander



## Camp Member's

### Announcement:

Private First-Class Nathan Bedford Forrest McCaskill New member of the 82nd Air Borne Division Nathan is on the way to his new duty station at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. His unit is on Ready Alert until the end of the year. Ready Alert means the unit must be prepared to deploy in just hours to anywhere in the world. In January, Nathan will be going to Hawaii for jungle training and then to Thailand for additional jungle training and parachute jumping into jungles then home to North Carolina in April. Nathan is engaged to Miss Emma Lessmann of Indianola and will marry whenever the Army's schedule allows.



### MS Division News:

#### **BEAUVIOR**

Beauvoir, the historic post-war home of President Jefferson Davis, is owned and operated by the Mississippi Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. There are several ways that you can participate in the continued preservation of this beloved landmark located in Biloxi, Mississippi.



*Beauvoir - Post-war home of Jefferson Davis.  
Biloxi, Mississippi*

#### ***Friends of Beauvoir***

For as little as \$25 annually, you can become a member of the Friends of Beauvoir. Membership includes tour admission and a 10% discount at the Beauvoir gift shop.

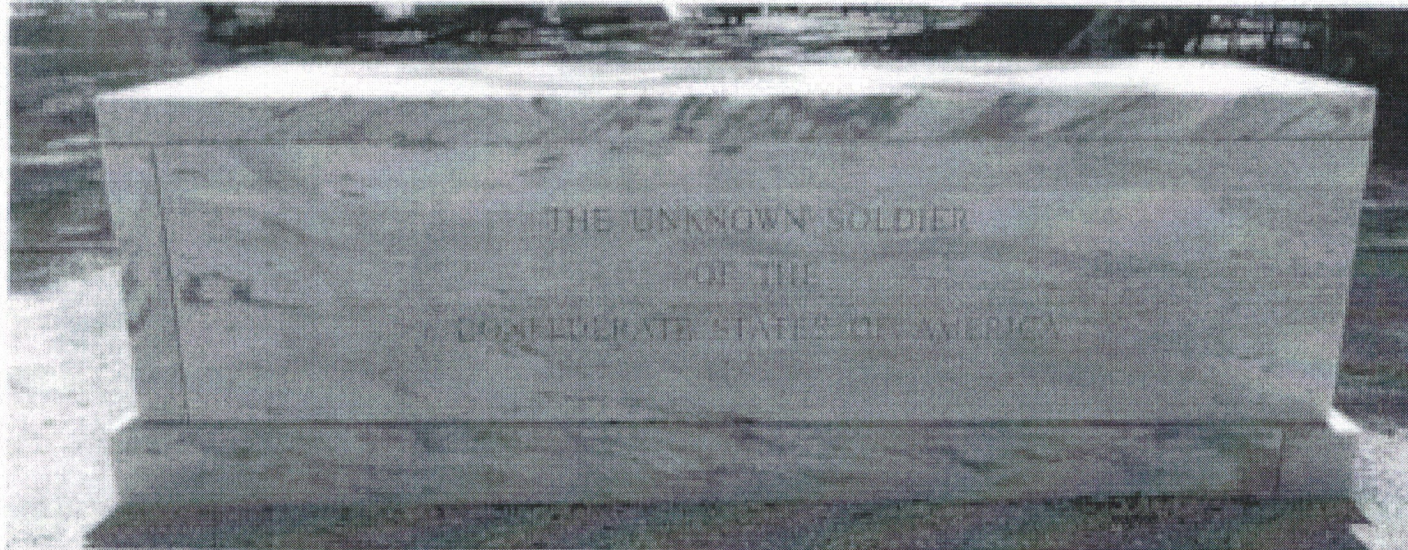


*The Jefferson Davis Presidential Library located on the grounds of Beauvoir in Biloxi, Mississippi.*



# Bricks for Beauvoir and the Tomb of the Unknown Solider

Honor your confederate Ancestors by purchasing an Ancestral Memorial Brick for \$50.00 each in the Memorial sidewalk of the Confederate Cemetery at Beauvoir. The plans for the sidewalk are nearing completion, so if you want a brick put down for your ancestor you need to get your order in soon, so as not to miss out.



Each brick that you purchase will be engraved with your ancestors rank, name, unit and company. Memorial bricks will be laid, memorializing your ancestor, in a sidewalk from the UDC Arch to the Tomb of the Unknown Confederate Solider at Beauvoir.

**Detach and send in the form below to the address listed to order your bricks.**

## Ancestral Brick Order Form

Instructions: Use the lines as laid out no more than 15 spaces per line..You may use abbreviations when necessary. Please include your name and address, for confirmation letter. (See Sample Below)

Line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

(First and Last Name)

Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

(Rank)

Line 3: \_\_\_\_\_

(Unit)

## ORDER YOUR ANCESTOR'S BRICK TODAY!

Make Checks out for \$50.00 per brick for:

Bricks for Beauvoir

Mail to: Bricks for Beauvoir

2244 Beach Blvd

Biloxi, MS. 39531

OR

Visit our gift shop where you  
can pay by cash or credit!

Example:

Pvt. JAMES W.

McCluney

6th MS CAV, CO. F



## Guardians needed

Everyone knows the atmosphere in this country where it comes to anything Confederate. Last summer we saw how vulnerable our Memorials were to the rioters. Sadly, it has spread to the cemeteries the place where the left wants all the Memorials moved. In the past few weeks, the Sleeping Lion Memorial to the Confederate dead in Oakwood Cemetery in Atlanta, GA has been removed. Our Confederate Dead and our Memorials are at risk to removal and vandalism. This why we need Guardians to watch over our Memorials and burial sites of our Confederate Dead. Most of our members live in Counties with Confederate Memorial Monuments and all live near a cemetery where Confederate Dead are buried. The Mississippi Division has the MS Division Guardian Program for burial sites where a person adopts a burial site or several sites and watches over the site ensuring it is properly cared for. The Division now has the MS Division Monument Guardian Program. With this program, a person signs up to keep watch on a Memorial. There is a contact person to report any vandalism and/or threats of removal. If anyone is interested in this program please see the attached application and information to find out more on pages 13-16.

## National SCV News

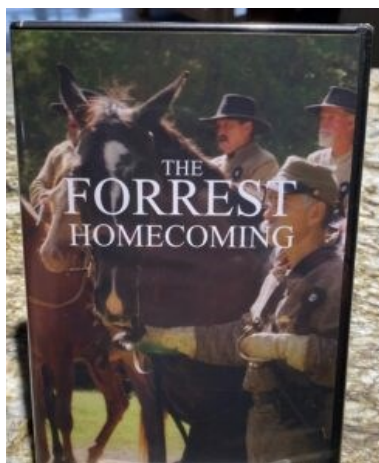
Compatriots:

*The Forrest Homecoming* documentary, covering the reinterment of General and Mrs. Nathan Bedford Forrest, was released to the public during a red carpet premiere at the National Confederate Museum this past Friday. Now that the film has been premiered, it is now available through the SCV Shop.

This DVD, created by the Matthews Film Company, tells the complete story of the Forrest's grave relocation and includes interviews with key individuals and shows original footage from the reinterment services held at the Forrest Boyhood Home and Historic Elm Springs during September 2021.

The price per DVD is \$25 plus processing. At this time, we have a strict limit of five DVD's per customer. To order online, follow this link: (<https://scv.org/product/the-forrest-homecoming-dvd/>). To order by mail, send a check for \$32.75 (\$25 plus shipping/processing) to SCV Sales, PO BOX 59, Columbia, TN 38402 with "Forrest DVD" in the memo line of your check.

Thank you for your support!  
Adam Southern



**SCV\_CHAT**  
RECLAIMING THE NARRATIVE  
ONE WEEK AT A TIME

**SCV Chat — Every Monday Night on Facebook  
at 7:00 PM Central time and on Thursday Nights at  
7:00 PM for Look Around the Confederation**

## THE NATIONAL CONFEDERATE MUSEUM AT ELM SPRINGS

The truth about the South's struggle to form a new nation is under attack as never before. The National Battlefield Parks have been taken over by the "it's all about slavery" provocateurs. Museums have changed their collections and interpretations to present what they call the cultural history of the War for Southern Independence. In reality this new perspective is nothing more than South bashing. The forces of political correctness have gone into high gear. They attempt to ban any and all things Confederate through their ideological fascism.

There needs to be at least one place where the people of the South and others can go to learn an accurate account of why so many struggled so long in their attempt to reassert government by the consent of the governed in America!

The General Executive Council of the Sons of Confederate Veterans made the commitment in October of 2008 to start the process to erect a new building that will have two purposes. One of the uses of this new building will be to give us office space and return Elm Springs to its original grandeur. However the main function is to house The Confederate Museum. We are planning a museum that will tell the truth about what motivated the Southern people to struggle for many years to form a new nation. At the SCV Reunion in July of 2009 the GEC set up a building fund for this purpose. One of the goals is to provide an accurate portrayal of the common Confederate soldier, something that is currently absent in most museums and in the media.

These plans have now become a reality. The ground breaking has taken place and the museum is now open.

Take this journey with us and support the museum as a donor or join the Friends of the Museum today!

Send Donations to:

Sons of Confederate Veterans  
Attn: National Confederate Museum  
P.O. Box 59  
Columbia, TN 38402

Or you can call 1-800-MY-DIXIE to pay by credit card.

[www.theconfederatemuseum.com](http://www.theconfederatemuseum.com)







# Army of Tennessee

## Workshop

**March 11, 2023,**  
9 AM to 4 PM at the Gift Horse Restaurant, 209 W. Laurel Ave, Foley, Alabama.

Host hotel is the Hampton Inn by Hilton, located at 3152 Abbey Lane, Foley, AL  
Rate- \$104.00+tax= \$115.44 Price good Wed-Mon (March 8 - 13) **Code C-AOT**  
Cut off date for Group Price- 1 Mar 2023 (There after - regular price)  
Hampton Reservation desk - (800) 774-1500 Hotel # (Local) 251-923-4600 select zero for front desk

**Hosted by the Alabama Division and the Fort Blakely Camp 1864, Foley, AL**

**Registration is \$20 which includes lunch. Pre-registration by March 1st for lunch. After March 1st, the registration fee will be \$20 (no guaranteed lunch included. If extra lunches are available it will be first come, first serve)**

**All Divisions are welcome to attend!**

**Speakers include: Membership Coordinator Eric Previti (Commander / Adjutant Training) Lt CiC Donnie Kennedy (Recruiting and Retention) Heritage Chief Ron Kennedy (Taking our Message to a National Audience), AoT Councilman Carl Jones (Becoming a Community Partner ) and CiC Jason Boshers, (Going forward with the SCV), (subject to change)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers: Home: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

SCV Camp Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this completed form, together with a check or money order in the amount of **\$20 (by March 1st for lunch)** made payable to **Camp 1864, AoT** and mail it to: **SCV Camp 1864**

**PO Box 906  
Silverhill, AL 36576**

**Registrations after March 1st are \$20 but without a lunch guarantee. Send them to the same address above.**



# *2023 Sons of Confederate Veterans National Reunion*

**www.2023scvreunion.org**

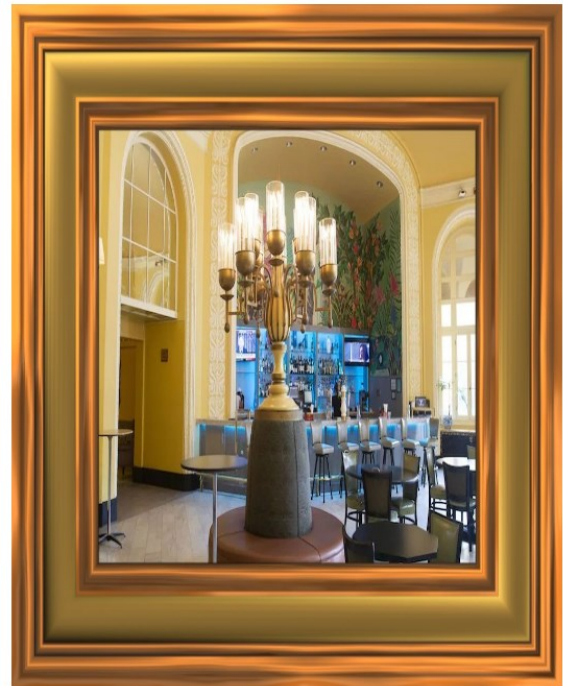
*Hosted By The James M Keller Camp #648*

*Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas*

*July 19, 20, 21, 22nd 2023*



**The Arlington Hotel is the Official Hotel of the 2023 SCV National Reunion**



The Arlington Hotel is located at 239 Central Avenue in historic Hot Springs.

The vast majority of the reunion events will happen in facilities at the Arlington Hotel

Tel: (501) 623-7771 (800) 643-1502 Website: [www.arlingtonhotel.com](http://www.arlingtonhotel.com)

email: [info@arlingtonhotel.com](mailto:info@arlingtonhotel.com)

## Room Rates:

Single/One Adult: \$109.00 Double/Two Adults: \$109 Mineral Water Room: \$149.00

\*\*\* Make sure to mention 2023 SCV Reunion to receive the special Reunion Rate!\*\*\*

**Make Your Room Reservations Now! Registration Info will soon follow!**



## Join the Confederate Legion

- Individuals and organizations can join. Membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans is not required.
  - Businesses, associations and S.C.V. camps can join.
  - An individual member can organize an independent Confederate Legion group and name it whatever he/she likes.
  - Members are expected to follow moral standards, obey the law, and participate in the Southern Victory Campaign.
  - Credit cards and checks are accepted. Credit card payments can be recurring.
  - Payments are tax deductible because the S.C.V. is a 501 (c) (3) entity.
  - Members receive an ID card, certificate, access to support and communications. Most of all, you get the satisfaction of knowing you're part of the offensive!
- Dues and donations are used to mount a two-prong offensive that we call the Southern Victory Campaign. It's led by the Heritage Operations Committee of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.
- Phase One of the campaign offensive involves direct action by the Heritage Operations Committee of the S.C.V. Prong Two involves direct action by individual and group members of the Confederate Legion.
- Objectives include:
- Reestablishing public support for the principles of liberty held by the founders of the United States and the Confederate States of America. Rebuilding respect for the Confederate States of America that preferred to leave the Union rather than abandon the principles of liberty like the Northern states were doing under Leftist influences of that day and age.
- For those interested in more information on how you can help "Make Dixie Great Again" go to <https://www.makedixiegreatagain.com/>



## Confederate Native American Heritage Month Proclamation November 4, 2022

## Sons of Confederate Veterans Proclamation

### One Click Politics: Arlington National Cemetery September 27, 2022

Fellow Compatriots and Patriots,

I am sure you are aware of the repulsive attack upon the Confederate Memorial at Arlington National Cemetery. As patriotic Americans and members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, I am calling on you to help us protest this effort by radicals in Congress and the Military establishment.

Below is a link to an automatic e-mail service the SCV is using to get our message to your local politicians. This system is simple to use and very user-friendly. As soon as you fill in your information, it will use your zip code to automatically select your U. S. Senators and the Military Leadership responsible for renaming U. S. Military Bases. It will then send the e-mail message already provided. This system allows you to personalize and/or change the subject line and the actual email message.

Everything is done for you; all you need to do is click on the link below, fill out your information and click the submit button. Remember, you can modify the message already there if you desire but it is not necessary. Also, as gentlemen and defenders of the honor of our ancestors always be polite and courteous because we will be judged by our actions and words. This is about the power of the individual. This is about the power that you as a citizen possess. Fellow Compatriots and Patriots, let us hit them hard with our e-mails.

The link below allows you to send your message to your U.S. Senators and U. S. Military Leadership in charge of removing proud Southern names from our nation's military bases.

<https://oneclickpolitics.global.ssl.fastly.net/promo/4hW>

Whereas, the Confederate States of America was a mosaic of strong, vibrant cultures from all corners of the world which made the Southern Way of Life prosperous and unique.

Whereas, the Native American culture is a proud and diverse culture with its people originating from all points in the Americas.

Whereas, an estimated 5,000 Confederate Native American soldiers served with pride, courage and distinction all across the Southland in defense of their country and homes in the War for Southern Independence.

Whereas, the Confederate Native American soldier served at levels from Private to General.

Whereas, Confederate Native American Heritage Month reflects the significant contributions, sacrifices, and valor made to the Confederate States of America.

Now, Therefore, I, R. S. Jason Boshers Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, proclaim November 2022 as:

## Confederate Native American Heritage Month

Let us reflect and honor the spirit, dedication, and fearlessness of the Confederate Native American men and women for their devoted patriotism and for the richness of their contributions to the Confederate States of America.

**R. S. Jason Boshers**  
Commander-in-Chief  
Sons of Confederate Veterans





## **Celebrate Another Victory! They take them down, We put them Up!**

Caddo Parish monument is back up and rededicated on October 29, 2022 at the Pleasant Hill Battlefield in Louisiana. As the opposition talks about all the monuments they have taken down in the press, why is it the press never reports about those that have been put back up, and the new ones going up? We must hold these people's feet to the fire and report those victories so the public knows we are still fighting the good fight.

## **Update to Supplemental Certificate processing**

Compatriots:

Please note that supplemental certificate pricing will go up effective immediately to \$15.00 for small and \$20.00 for large certificates. This is because of rising postage costs. Applications already received at HQ will be processed at the old pricing.

Also, please note that supplemental certificates must be approved by the camp committee on applications just as if it was a new member joining. The ancestor must be verified. Any supplemental application sent to HQ without going through the committee process will be returned. Please understand these are historical documents we are creating and the information must be correct.

Eric Previti  
National Membership Coordinator  
Sons of Confederate Veterans HQ  
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Columbia, TN 38402-0059  
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[membership@scv.org](mailto:membership@scv.org)



**Sons of Confederate Veterans, Inc. on  
Arlington National Cemetery  
September 17, 2022**

## ***The Incivility of Woke Politics***

The Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV), established in 1896, is America's oldest veterans' organization. The SCV is outraged that the federal "Naming Commission," established by Congress in 2021, has now recommended to Congress that the Confederate Memorial located in the Confederate Section of Arlington National Cemetery be removed. A key member of the Naming Commission previously published a highly critical book about Confederate General Robert E. Lee. This individual is not a neutral member of the Commission. His unwarranted vitriol directed toward the South and the millions of Southern Americans whose ancestors served honorably in the Confederate military has tainted the entire process.

The Commission itself fails to recognize that the Confederate Memorial at Arlington was sculpted by Moses Jacob Ezekiel, a Jewish American sculptor, and Confederate Veteran. The memorial was dedicated on June 4, 1914, as part of America's continued effort to reunify the United States in the post-war era. Unfortunately, the Naming Commission has seen fit to recommend its removal and therefore the desecration of this honorable grave marker. This is an unmitigated attack on Southerners who have provided, in terms of percentage of the country's total population, more recruits to the American military than any other region of the nation.

This recommendation is divisive and extreme, and it epitomizes the complete lack of respect for the over 400, Confederate service members, their wives, and Confederate civilians buried at Arlington. Further, it will likely undermine the security and safety of Confederate memorials in every cemetery in America as well as the graves of Confederate Veterans, who are also American veterans, as enacted by Congress in 1958. The Sons of Confederate Veterans will work diligently to push back against the Naming Commission and fight against other Machiavellian proposals that continue to divide our nation. We urge all patriotic Americans to contact their representatives and senators and voice opposition.

To find your member of Congress, please see <https://www.house.gov/representatives> and <https://www.senate.gov/senators/senators-contact.htm>.

Jason Boshers  
*Commander-in-Chief*

Walter D. Kennedy  
*Lt. Commander-in-Chief*

J. Ronald Kennedy  
*Chief of Heritage Operations*

H. Edward Phillips, Esq.  
*National Public Affairs Officer*

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*Executive Director  
Sons of Confederate Veterans*



## July 12, 1861: Confederacy signs treaties with Native Americans

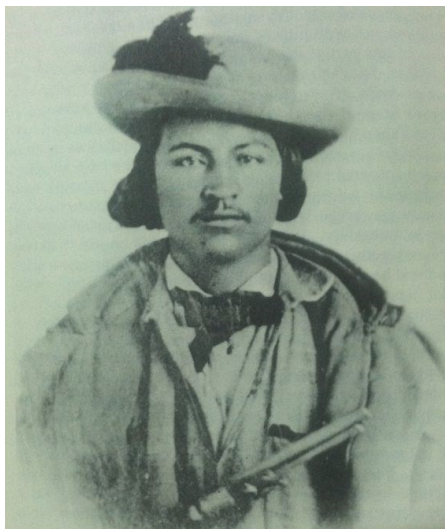
Special commissioner Albert Pike completes treaties with the members of the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes, giving the new Confederate States of America several allies in Indian Territory. Some members of the tribes also fought for the Confederacy.

A Boston native, Pike went west in 1831 and traveled with fur trappers and traders. He settled in Arkansas and became a noted poet, author, and teacher. He bought a plantation and operated a newspaper, the *Arkansas Advocate*. By 1837 he was practicing law and often represented Native Americans in disputes with the federal government.

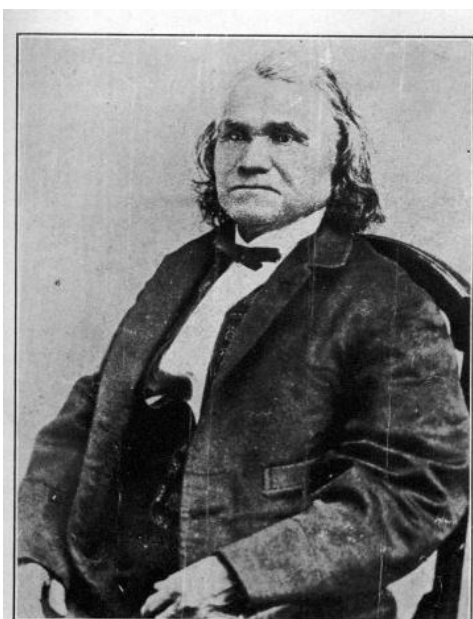
Pike was opposed to secession but nonetheless sided with his adopted state when it left the Union. As ambassador to the Native Americans, he was a fortunate addition to the Confederacy, which was seeking to form alliances with the tribes of Indian Territory. Besides the agreements with the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes, Pike also engineered treaties with the Creek, Seminole, Comanche and Caddos, among others.

Ironically, many of these tribes had been expelled from the Southern states in the 1830s and 1840s but still chose to ally themselves with those states during the war. The grudges they held against the Confederate states were offset by their animosity toward the federal government. Native Americans were also bothered by Republican rhetoric during the 1860 election. Some of Abraham Lincoln's supporters, such as William Seward, argued that the land of the tribes in Indian Territory should be appropriated for distribution to white settlers. When the war began in 1861, Secretary of War Simon Cameron ordered all posts in Indian Territory abandoned to free up military resources for use against the Confederacy, leaving the area open to invasion by the Confederates.

By signing these treaties, the tribes severed their relation-



**Pleasant Porter, 1st Creek Mounted Volunteers, 1863**



*Stand Watie*

ships with the federal government, much in the way the southern states did by seceding from the Union. They were accepted into the Confederate States of America, and they sent representatives to the Confederate Congress. The Confederate government promised to protect the Native American's land holdings and to fulfill the obligations such as annuity payments made by the federal government.

Some of these tribes even sent troops to serve in the Confederate army, and one Cherokee, Stand Watie, rose to the rank of brigadier general.

## Did Civil War Soldiers Have PTSD?

Wesley Sainz, October 17, 2022, [blueandgrayeducation.org](http://blueandgrayeducation.org)

PTSD, medically defined as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, is a common psychiatric diagnosis that has afflicted military veterans over the centuries. Many combat stressors amplified within a period of time can result in emotional breakdown, recurring nightmares, hallucinations, panic attacks, chronic depression, and even complete psychological breakdown to the point of disassociation from reality. It's often associated with "Survivor's Guilt" syndrome.

It's believed a large number of Civil War combatants suffered from the same PTSD symptoms. However, military historians have overlooked the conditions of PTSD among Civil War veterans as nothing more than a footnote in wartime traumas far behind the graphic horrors of amputations, grotesque battlefield injuries, and death on a mass scale. More often, the typical Civil War combatant is viewed as "stoic, determined, brave, enduring, heroic, and disciplined in the face of combat."

Part of the reason the psychological traumas of Civil War soldiers have been overlooked by historians is because weapons of mass destruction—such as lethal gas and chemicals, aircraft, mechanized vehicles, and individual use of automatic weapons—were not involved. It was only with the wholesale use of those weapons in later wars that spotlighted soldiers' psychological breakdowns and physical collapses. By disregarding those afflicted during the Civil War, they couldn't have been further from the truth.

### "Melancholy"

Military combatants from both sides were often accompanied by their relatives, immediate family members, friends, neighbors, school mates, and close relations developed during their service. The trauma of seeing them critically wounded, violently killed, captured, or missing in action would often lead to bouts of mental breakdown and "melancholy." Or, what was later termed "Soldiers Heart" by family members to describe emotional distress caused by acute war trauma. Physicians at the time offered little evidence describing these emotional disorders, preferring to justify their diagnosis as the need for "bed rest, fresh air, and return to spiritual beliefs." Those afflicted were often left to deal with the strong psychological effects simply because there was not a medical description developed to describe the trauma, much less a competent treatment.

### Concussions

Also not understood was the repetitive concussive effects on the brain which, until recently, was not well understood even in the medical field. PCS—or "Post Concussive Syndrome"—was attributed in World War I to "shell shock." In World War II and the Korean War, it was attributed to "battle fatigue." Not until the Gulf Wars did PCS become the official term to describe concussive brain trauma.

During the Civil War, shelling by mortar and cannon was the preferred way to dislodge and destroy a mass formation of troops and disrupt supply lines and encampments. Frequent and mass use of these weapons contributed greatly to the concussive effects of brain injury and associated neurological effects. Until recently, it would have been difficult to describe these conditions as cause for so many cases of various neurological and emotional disorders among Civil War veterans.

### Violent Behavior

Memories of the horrors of war can sometime surface into reality and result in dramatic displays of physical or verbal violence or hyper-emotional outbursts. Similar displays of behavior were often described among Civil War combatants and often led to violent behavior in later years. Veterans also were involved with the move to the Western U.S. Territories and often prone to violence and criminality against former enemy combatants, civilians from opposing states, and Native Americans. Basically, anyone deemed "the enemy" was sufficient reason for expressing violence. The "Wild West" was populated by many of these displaced veterans, including many who remained in Union service during Western expansion or joined up after serving in the Confederate military.





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An example of acute mental disorder is Confederate veteran William James, who displayed signs of distress right after the war. As a POW in a Union camp, he was paroled physically ill and whose mind was described as "much disordered." As an Alabama farmer prior to the war, he returned to his former life by cropping fields in late fall of 1865. However, within the year, James had become uncontrollably violent, threatening to kill his father, and then attempted to kill himself by jumping into a well. As discussed, violence and threats of harm and suicide are all examples of PTSD symptoms. Postwar lunatic asylums were filled with numerous records of uncontrollable rage against family members and suicide attempts. Again, all are typical of PTSD or severe expressions of survivor's guilt.

#### Dying by Suicide

Civil War veterans with PTSD were also at greater risk of dying by suicide. Unfortunately, accurate recordings of suicide or attempts at suicide are virtually nonexistent. Yet, conclusions may be drawn from more recent evidence among modern-era veterans. What is known is 20% of Vietnam veterans made suicidal attempts and another 20% were preoccupied with suicidal thoughts. This can be attributed to survivor's guilt or the inability to reconcile the stressors associated with warfare. It is therefore reasonable to extrapolate the same percentages among Civil War veterans. Eric T. Dean Junior's breakaway study "Shook Over Hell" determined over half of the residents of an Indiana Civil War veterans' home either attempted suicide, contemplated suicide, or were emotionally suicidal.

In the case of Albinus Snelson, a Georgian who served in the Confederate Cavalry, a recovery-to-relapse cycle with multiple suicide attempts illustrates the difficulty Civil War veterans had with survivor's guilt and the PTSD syndrome. Snelson was a teen when he enlisted. It was noted in his military record he struggled as a soldier leading to an early discharge. Entering a Georgian asylum, he attempted to burn himself alive and throw himself out of windows to kill himself. He finally succeeded in 1871 after ingesting strychnine.

#### Delusional Paranoia

Civil War soldiers also suffered from what can be described as delusional paranoia, one of the most extreme cases of PTSD and one of the most violent. Confederate veteran John Williams was afflicted with this terrible mental disorder. Admitted to the same Georgia asylum as Snelson, Williams was diagnosed with "post-combat hyper-vigilance." According to accounts he was "constantly frightened." He continually complained that people were trying to kill him and, in a state of extreme agitation, he cut his own throat. In another example, 40-year-old Joseph Pearman, a harnessmaker from Pe-

tersburg, Virginia, also took his life in 1875, a full ten years after war's end, protesting that "someone was coming out from the city to kill him." Revised military estimates now conclude that earlier figures of Civil War deaths should be revised to 750,000 actual battle deaths, with another 100,000 dying afterwards due to wounds, psychological issues, and disease contracted during the war. It is apparent that while the circumstances driving the Civil War were very different from modern warfare, the violent history of that war leaves no doubt that Civil War veterans also contended with the same emotional and psychological issues as today, even if it were not recognized during their lifetime. Today's various psychiatric treatments and medications could very well have effectively treated the cases described. Unfortunately, it came too late in history for Civil War veterans.

## Heros Von Borcke, Colonel, CSA

By George Dorrill, [blueandgrayeducation.org](http://blueandgrayeducation.org)

In 2008, Jeb Stuart IV, representing the SCV, and Nancy Hitt, representing the UDC, along with several other members of these organizations, flew to Poland to meet with Elkhart Von Borcke, great-grandson of Heros Von Borcke, Colonel, CSA, and other members of the Von Borcke family to place a Confederate headstone and Cross of Honor at the colonel's grave. Who was Heros Von Borcke, and why did this group travel all the way to Poland to do this?

Heros Von Borcke was a 27-year-old heavy cavalry officer in the Prussian Army in 1862 when he resigned his commission and paid for passage to England, then to Bermuda, and then on a blockade runner to Charleston, South Carolina, to volunteer for the Army of the CSA. At the time, he only spoke broken English. He was six feet, four inches tall, and he weighed between 240 and 250 pounds.

Von Borcke was appointed a "volunteer aide-de-camp" to Jeb Stuart by Secretary of War George Randolph. Stuart and Von Borcke quickly bonded, and Von Borcke, because of his military abilities and his unique sense of humor, became Stuart's chief of staff.

Von Borcke carried a heavy cavalry sword (an extra-long sword) and wrote after the Battle of Brandy Station: "*The Yankees gave a most amusing description of me in their account of the fight. It was stated that the Rebels in their charge had been led on by a giant, mounted on a tremendous horse, and brandishing wildly over his head a sword as long as and as big as a fence rail.*"

At the Battle of Middleburg, Maryland, on June 19, 1863, Von Borcke was shot in his neck, and the bullet traveled through his windpipe into his right lung. He lost 90 pounds, had to be carried in a chair during his convalescence, and was confined to a desk job in Richmond after he began to recover.

When Stuart was mortally wounded at Yellow Tavern in 1864, Von Borcke left Richmond to go to his side. Stuart told Von Borcke: "*My dear Von, I am sinking fast now, but before I die, I want you to know that I never loved a man as much as yourself. I pray your life may be long and happy; look after my family after I am gone; and be the same true friend to my wife and children that you have been to me.*"

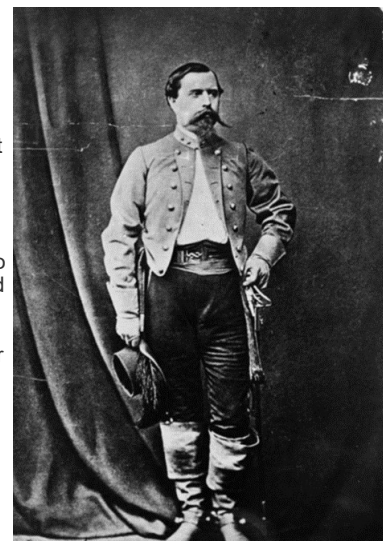
After the war at his home in Prussia, now part of Poland, he always flew two flags on the battlement of his house: the Prussian National Flag and the Confederate Battle Flag.

He wrote: "*I myself am still an invalid. The ball which I carry in my lungs gives me frequent suffering, and has broken my once so robust health; but as every renewal of my pains reminds me of the past, they are alleviated and almost effaced by the pleasure with which I revert to the time when I fought side by side with those brave men; and I shall ever rejoice that I drew my sword for the gallant people of the late Confederacy.*"

Von Borcke died in 1895 of blood poisoning in Berlin, Germany, from the bullet that was still in his lungs. He was 59 years old.

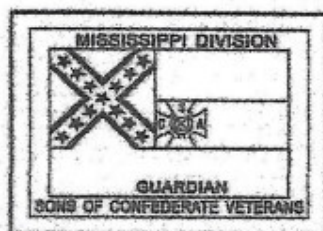
And that is why Jeb Stewart, IV, and Nancy Hitt went to Poland in 2008 to honor the memory of Heros Von Borcke, Colonel, CSA.

Learn more at Van Borcke's autobiography, *Memoirs of the Confederate War for Independence*.





# Mississippi Division Guardian Program



- .. **Purpose:** The program is designed to honor the memory of our Confederate ancestors and through its implementation will provide the preservation of their final resting places and will document for future generations their sacrifices.
- .. **Eligibility:** Any Mississippi Division camp member in good standing, who is at least 12 years of age and who has demonstrated his desire and ability to serve as a GUARDIAN. All compatriots are encouraged to participate in the program to honor our ancestors and to protect their final resting place.
- .. **DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:**
  - (A) He shall care for and protect the grave(s) of a Confederate Veteran, ensuring that the gravesite is kept clean and well maintained year round. He shall perform these duties personally unless he is physically unable because of health reasons. At no time shall these responsibilities be passed on to another without the approval of the GUARDIAN committee for the Alabama Division.
  - (B) He will be responsible to appropriately mark the grave so it is designated as a final resting place of a Confederate Veteran. This can be by stone, plaque, Cross of Honor, etc. He will also be responsible for replacing or repairing any marker that is worn, damaged or destroyed.
  - (C) He shall personally visit the grave a minimum of two times a year to include Confederate Memorial Day or at least one week prior. He shall place a wreath or a small Confederate flag or both on the grave.
- .. **APPLICATIONS, REVIEWS & APPROVAL:**
  - (A) Individuals who wish to participate in the GUARDIAN program must complete and submit the Guardian Application form to the Mississippi Division Guardian Committee Chairman. The Committee Chairman will then forward the application on to the Guardian Committee for approval. The application must be accompanied with a map showing the location of the gravesite along with written driving instructions to the cemetery. A before photograph of the gravesite must also be submitted before approval. An after photograph can be submitted for the file as work is completed.
  - (B) The applicant must also remit a one-time \$10.00 fee with the application to cover the cost of the GUARDIAN pin and certificate, which will be awarded upon the candidate's approval for membership in the GUARDIAN program. The fee is non-refundable.
  - (C) Individuals who are not accepted into the GUARDIAN program will be given an explanation in writing by the Review Committee. The applicant can request an appeal of the decision. The Review Committee will review the applicants appeal and render a decision. The decision of the Review Committee is final.

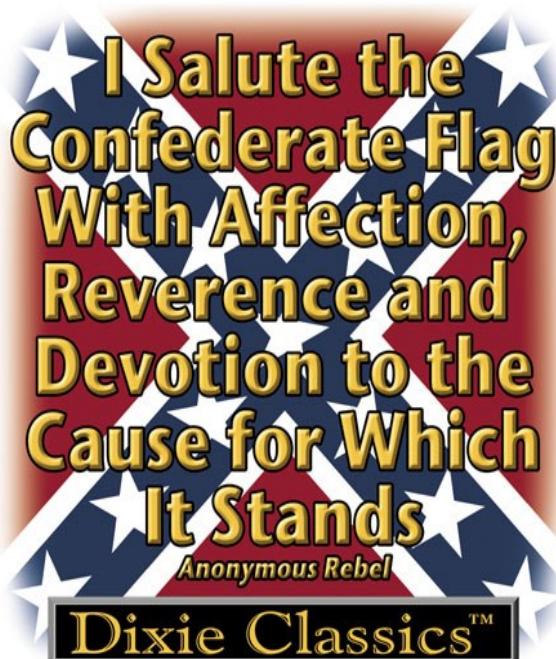


## 5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

**Multiple Gravesites:** GUARDIANS may care for more than one gravesite and will be

recognized by the Guardian Review Committee. Special certificates or indications on the Guardian pin may be authorized to signify the care of multiple veterans' graves. Normally no more than 25 gravesites will be authorized for a Guardian to care for. The Review Committee may authorize more than 25 on a case by case basis under the advice of the applicants Camp Commander.

- (A) **Forfeiture of Guardian position:** A Guardian who cannot meet the requirements of his position due to relocation, health or other reasons must notify the Review Committee. All fees are non-refundable.
- (B) **Bequeathing of GUARDIAN position:** A Guardian may transfer his responsibilities as a Guardian to another SCV member in good standing with prior approval by the Review Committee. There is a \$10 fee for transferring the Guardianship. This fee will cover the new Guardian's membership pin and certificate. If he is already in the Guardian program there will be no fee to cover the certificate designating the new guardianship he is undertaking.
- (C) **Revocation of GUARDIAN status:** The Review Committee may revoke the status of a participant in the Guardian program if he fails to carry out his duties and responsibilities as outlined. The Committee reserves the right to inspect, with or without notice, any GUARDIAN'S Confederate Veteran's gravesite to confirm compliance with all of the rules and regulations specified in the program.
- (E) **Wilderness Gravesite:** This is a gravesite that is completely neglected or abandoned in a remote area. Application for this special designation must be accompanied with before and after pictures of the gravesite and the Guardian must meet all other requirements of the program.





# Mississippi Guardian Program Application

Turn Application into Division Guardian Committee Chairman

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

SCV Camp Name & Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

## GRAVESITE DETAILS

Confederate Veterans Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Co.: \_\_\_\_\_

Born: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Died: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Condition of site: Poor, Fair, Good, Excellent

(circle one)

Location of Grave: (include name of cemetery, city and county): \_\_\_\_\_

Marker on Grave denoting Confederate Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Cross of Honor? \_\_\_\_\_

Documentation of Confederate Service: List book, service record, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

I affirm that all the information here is true and accurate. I agree to faithfully care for and protect this Confederate Veteran's grave in accordance with the GUARDIAN PROGRAM rules for as long as I am able. In the event I cannot carry out my duties, I shall notify the Review Committee immediately. I also understand that the Review Committee can revoke my status as a GUARDIAN for good cause.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Committee Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Mail Application, Map and Photos to:

Mississippi Division Guardian Program  
123 Douglas Street  
Bruce, MS. 38915





# A SOLDIER'S RETURN

## Editorial.



**I**mmediately after the war, Confederate soldiers and their officers faced a dilemma. What to wear? With no exceptions they were so destitute as to have no alternative but wear the tattered, filthy remains of uniforms or whatever they stood up in. Even in 1863 many were clothed in rags but by 1865 very few had anything resembling the grey uniform and kepi accepted as the standard uniform today. Most so called Confederate uniforms in collections today are post-war-grey, manufactured for veterans' organisations like *United Confederate Veterans (UCV)*. Some uniforms were made purely for sentimental reasons but in 1961, for the centennial

commemorations in America, original stamps for brass buttons, belt buckles and cap insignia were discovered in an old warehouse and a lucrative reproduction market was established for the reenactors of the day. Strangely much of the current re-enactors equipment, including swords is manufactured in Pakistan or India and replica firearms produced in Spain and Italy.

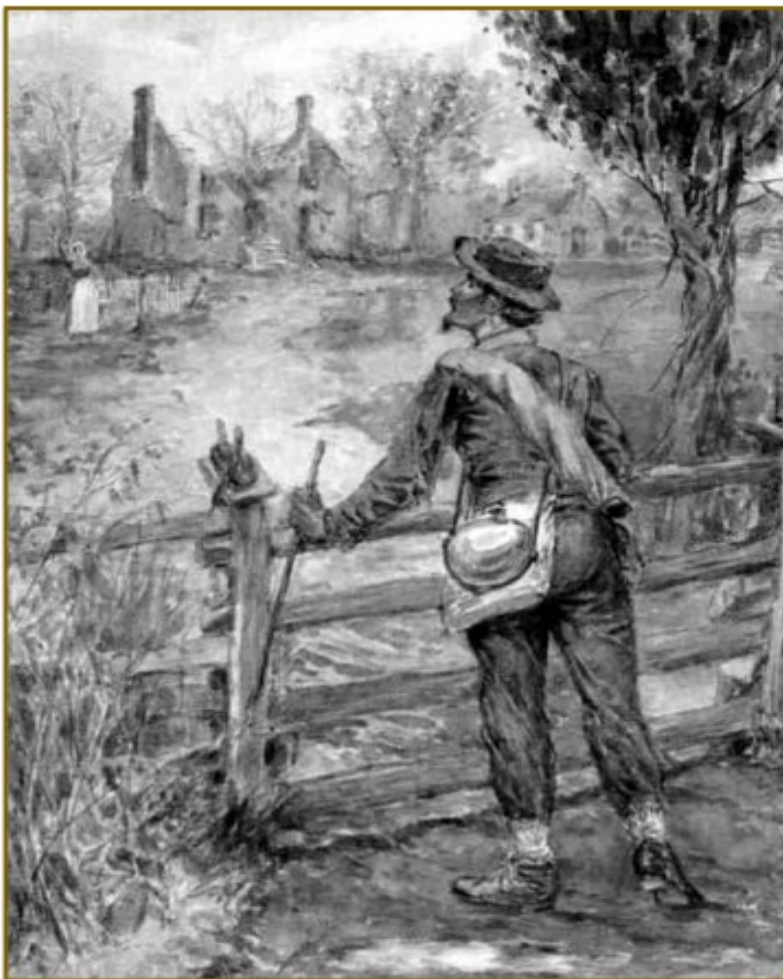


**M**ost Confederate soldiers, still suffering the vagaries of austere and inhumane prison life were struggling to find their ways home after the war. They had no choice but wear the ragged remains of uniforms and boots; if lucky enough to have any, many had bare feet. Yet even here, their lot was made worse by Federal authorities who considered it improper to allow the 'enemy' (once paroled they ceased to be such) to parade the

Confederate uniform and regalia in public. With no alternative clothing and no attempt by the North to provide them, buttons and all military insignia were torn off. In the *Department of the Gulf*, General N.P. Banks issued *General Orders Number 47* on 30 April 1865 in which he decreed, "No paroled prisoners of war in the Department may appear in public in the uniforms of the rebel army".

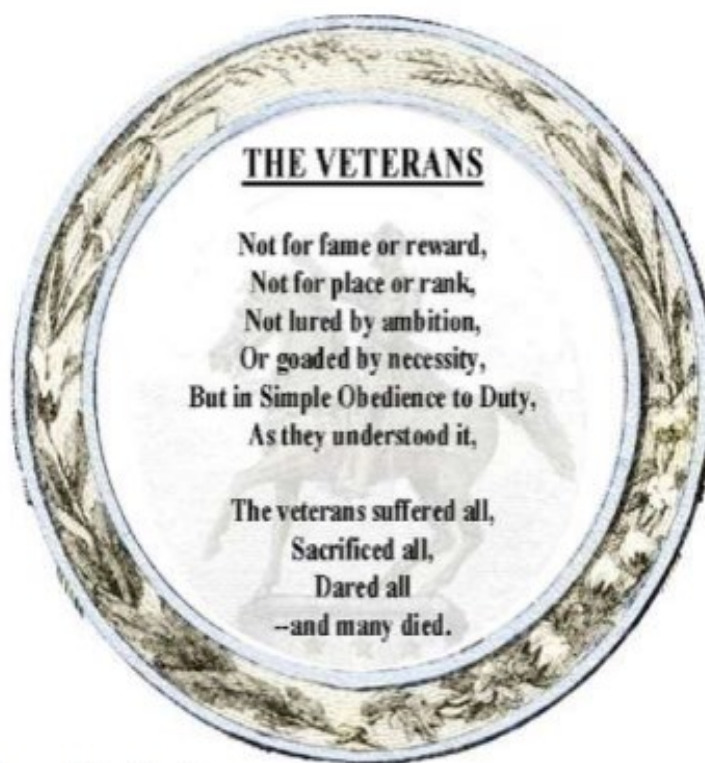


**H**owever, most by this time were wearing improvised butternut uniforms with plain pewter or bone buttons, few had little insignia to remove. The appalling conditions of Union prison camps meant that clothes worn by prisoners were not only in rags but so infested with lice and disease that there was much more to be concerned about than insignia. It's worth noting that these poor, malnourished and wretched souls, were abused and hounded by bushwhackers and angry citizens on their long journeys home, most by foot. An unknown number died along the way, many never made it to homes long since burnt and their families killed or driven away by a ruthless army.



**W**est Virginia was no safe haven for returning men who had left their Union declared State to join the Confederate army. It proved particularly hostile to returning soldiers in desperate need of care. The death toll continued long after the war and these men were never to be counted among the dead. Unable to provide for themselves, forced to wear whatever they could acquire or endure the rags on their backs. No money, no food, no hope, of such things is despair made.

**W**hile these men made easy targets for marauding vigilantes the persecution continued for many years after the war and to some extent, continues to this day. "Kick a dog while its down" is the mantra of every bully, yet strangely the common Union soldier was more sympathetic to the plight of the Southern soldier and at Appomattox shared his rations and helped in many ways with respect and sympathy. Even General Grant showed remarkable compassion to Lee's surrendering army but many of the civilian population in the North, for too long fed the propaganda of war and had suffered the loss of loved ones, held only prejudice, hate and vindictiveness towards paroled soldiers of the South.





**I**n spite of the many hazards, they made that long journey and somehow gathered the remains of life together to rebuild and start over. We should remember them for their courage and determination, for their loyalty to country, to duty and for showing us today, that, no matter how cruel fate and fellows can be, there is always a ray of hope and determination, a light of faith and a bond of love that endures all-Editor.

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### **The University of Alabama Cadets**

**By John M. Taylor, October 7, 2022, blueandgrayeducation.org**

After Alabama became a state on December 14, 1819, plans were initiated to establish a state university. Tuscaloosa, the state capital (1826-1846), was chosen. Architect William Nichols patterned the layout of the University of Alabama (UA) after the University of Virginia, designed by Thomas Jefferson. On April 18, 1831, UA opened its doors, with Rev. Alva Woods serving as president.

UA was initially a civilian institution with many students coming from well-to-do families. Pampered and undisciplined teenaged students combined with the turbulence of the 1850s concerned President Landon Garland. He advocated for UA to be converted into a military school to instill discipline. Garland's recommendation was based on his previous faculty experience at Hampden-Sydney, Randolph Macon College, and Washington College. His efforts ultimately succeeded (1860).

The University of Alabama instituted a disciplined military education that rivaled the top institutions of the day—Virginia Military Institute, the South Carolina Military Academy (The Arsenal and The Citadel), and the Georgia Military Institute. Known as "The West Point of the South," UA produced numerous Confederates: "7 generals, 25 colonels, 14 lieutenant colonels, 21 majors, 125 captains, 273 staff...and 294 private soldiers."

Col. Caleb Huse, a Massachusetts native who trained soldiers at West Point, handled the training of UA Cadets (Alabama Corps of Cadets, aka ACC). At the start of the Civil War, upon Jefferson Davis's request, Huse left UA and joined the Confederate government, serving as a European agent. Col. J. T. Murfree, a VMI graduate, succeeded Huse. Several VMI grads were among those who finetuned the cadet program.

Early in 1861, the ACC were sent to Montgomery and reviewed by Gov. Andrew B. Moore, who wanted to use them as drillmasters. By June 1861, they had trained nine companies. One of their drillmasters was Tuscaloosa-born John Caldwell Calhoun Sanders, a talented soldier who became a brigadier general at 23 years of age.

One interesting historical tidbit involves the nickname given to the UA Cadets: "Katydids." The tails featured on their waist length jackets earned them this unique moniker. Similar to the VMI Cadets, they also received baptism under fire, i.e., they "saw the elephant."

In May 1863, the cadets were summoned to meet a rumored force of 1,500 Union soldiers heading toward Tuscaloosa. Although it was a false alarm, President Garland was encouraged by the cadets' enthusiastic response. Also, the weak response from Tuscaloosa's remaining civilian population awakened Garland to the realization the cadets would likely face overwhelming odds in an actual attack.

In July 1864, at the behest of then-Gov. Thomas H. Watts, 54 UA Cadets were part of the force sent to deter Rousseau's Raid through East Alabama. They made up about 10 percent of the roughly 500 men who faced 1,500 veteran Yankee soldiers at Beasley's Farm near Chehaw Station (Macon County). Most of the other Confederates were also teenagers from H. C. Lockhart's Battalion. Nonetheless, they successfully diverted the Federals. In an ironic twist, the UA Cadets helped prevent the almost certain destruction of East Alabama Male College (later Auburn University).

Tuscaloosa had been relatively insulated from the war until early April of 1865. Yankee general James H. Wilson dispatched John T. Croxton and his 1,500 veteran cavalry "to Tuscaloosa, to destroy the bridge, factories, mills, university (military school), etc." On April 3, 1865, roughly 300 UA Cadets were unaware that Union forces were about 3 miles from the university. They, and a handful of Home Guard (mainly boys and old men), were essentially the only line of defense. As the Yankees approached, the cadets fired several volleys. Croxton wrote: "They (militia and cadets) made several unsuccessful attempts to dislodge us, but failed..."

Overwhelmed by superior numbers, the cadets retreated toward Marion. Federal troops entered Tuscaloosa and proceeded to burn and plunder. They destroyed Washington Hall, Jefferson Hall, Madison Hall, and Franklin Hall—all named after men revered in the South. They burned the Rotunda and one of the South's finest libraries. They also destroyed private businesses, warehouses, and factories. The cadets saw the smoke from Hurricane Creek, about 8 miles from Tuscaloosa.

In the summer of 2020, with little to no input from alumni and fans of UA, the plaque honoring these brave young men was removed from the grounds outside the current Gorgas Library. Ironically, it was part of the same university property the Cadets attempted to keep from being destroyed in 1865.





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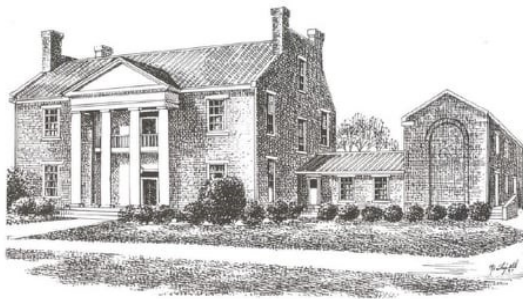
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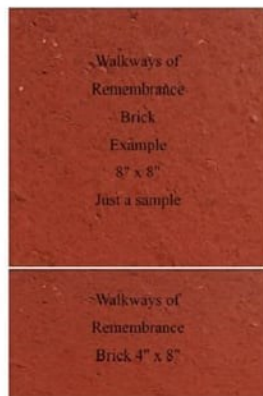
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## Memorial Park Bench

Remember and honor your Confederate ancestor, loved one, family member or organization with the purchase of a Memorial Park Bench. These sturdy, long-lasting and beautiful benches will be placed along the walkways and the Memorial Garden on the property of the scenic General Headquarters of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Confederate Museum at Elm Springs.

The benches are available to individuals, camps, divisions and organizations. The inscription and use of a logo is of your own choosing. The cost for the bench is \$1,800.

*Disclaimer: The General Headquarters of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the General Executive Council reserve the right to approve the use of symbols, logo, wording and placement of the benches.*



Will you be using a logo? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, please attach logo with form or email.

Inscription of up to 5 lines:

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Make checks payable to SCV and write "Bench" in the memo line. Please fill out this form and mail to:

SCV, P.O. Box 59, Columbia, TN 38402

Credit card payments are available by calling 1-800-MYSOUTH and contacting Merchandising.

Please include all contact information so you can be contacted when your bench arrives.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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