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The Battle of Shiloh

The Battle of Shiloh, also known as the Battle of Pittsburg Landing, was a major battle in the Western Theater of the American Civil War, fought on April 6 and April 7, 1862, in southwestern Tennessee.

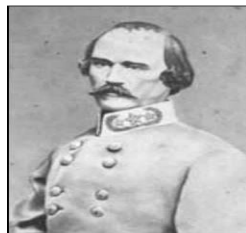


Gen. Ulysses S. Grant

Confederate forces under Generals Albert Sidney Johnston and P.G.T. Beauregard launched a surprise attack against the Union Army of Maj. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant

and came very close to defeating his army.

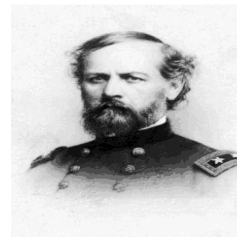
On the first day of battle, the Confederates struck with the intention of driving the Union defenders away from the Tennessee River and into the swamps of Owl Creek to the west, hoping to defeat Grant's Army of the Tennessee before it could link up with Maj. Gen. Don Carlos Buell's Army of the Ohio. Some Federals made determined stands and by afternoon, they had established a battle line at the sunken road, known as the "Hornets Nest." Repeated Rebel attacks failed to carry the Hornets Nest, but massed artillery helped to turn the tide as Confederates surrounded the Union troops and captured, killed, or wounded most. Johnston had been mortally wounded earlier and, second in command, Gen. P. G. T. Beauregard,



Gen. Sidney Johnston

took over. The Union troops established another line covering Pittsburg Landing, anchored with artillery and augmented by

Buell's men who began to arrive and take up positions. Fighting continued until after dark, but the Federals held. By the next morning, the combined Federal forces numbered about 40,000, outnumbering



Gen. Don Carlos Buell

Beauregard's army of less than 30,000. Beauregard was unaware of the arrival of Buell's army and launched a counter-attack in response to a two-mile advance by

William Nelson's division of Buell's army at 6:00 am, which was, at first, successful. Union troops stiffened and began forcing the Confederates back. Beauregard ordered a counterattack, which stopped the Union advance but did not break its battle line. At this point, Beauregard realized that he could not win and, having suffered too many casualties, he retired from the field and headed back to Corinth. On the 8th, Grant sent Brig. Gen. William T. Sherman, with two brigades, and Brig. Gen. Thomas J. Wood, with his division, in pursuit of Beauregard. They ran into the Rebel rearguard, commanded by Col. Nathan Bedford Forrest, at Fallen Timbers. Forrest's aggressive tactics, although eventually contained, influenced the Union troops to return to Pittsburg Landing. Grant's mastery of the Confederate forces continued; he had beaten them once again. The Confederates continued to fall back until launching their mid-August offensive.

CWSAC Battle Summaries: Shiloh

<http://www.nps.gov/hps/abpp/battles/tn003.htm>
 Fort Donelson Camp # 62 Web Site: tnsuvchw.org

CAMP COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Fort Donelson Camp # 62 is off to a very good start for 2009.

A planning meeting on 10 Jan. included electing officers for the year. The officers are: Sam C. Gant, CC; Trent Johnson, SVC; David DuBrucq, JVC and 1stSgt, SVR; Scott Holmes, Sec'y/ Treasurer; George A. Huttick, Historian, Signals Officer, and Graves Registry Officer; and David Eagan, Chaplain.

The Camp will continue to honor our Civil War ancestors through registering them in the SUVCW Graves Registry but extend this to searching out Union veterans' graves in Middle Tennessee. We will place G.A.R. flag holders on the graves as funds are available. We wish to cooperate with SCV camps in this search. We particularly want to place flag holders for FDC62 members' ancestors. Flag Day ceremonies, 13 June, are planned at the graves of Capt. William Rickman, 5thTN Cav US and Pvt. Gabriel Capley, 10thTN Inf US.

FDC62 hosted the Annual Encampment of the Dept. of Tennessee-Alabama at historic Ferguson Hall, Spring Hill, the site of CS Gen, Earl Van Dorn's murder. At the Encampment, CC Sam Gant was elected Dept. SVC and George Huttick was appointed Dept. Patriotic Instructor. The dinner was delightful and the presentation of the story of Ferguson Hall by the persona of the 1863 owner, Martin Cheairs (aka Bill Alsup) was fascinating.

1st Sgt. David DuBrucq's 10thTN Inf US SVR regiment finally received SUVCW National's recognition. Many of the men have purchased their uniforms and are ready to march on Fort Donelson 11 April for the meeting, dinner and tour. The 10th TN US will also be the color guard for the Flag Day ceremonies and for other mid- Tennessee events during the year.

We welcome Scott Holmes, Mike Boley, Mike Plumley, and Larry Cockerham to FDC62. The Camp now has 33 members, approximately one-third the total membership of the Dept. of Tennessee. Two other men have consented to be associates of FDC62: Thomas Flagel, PCC, a CSCC professor and the author of several history books, and Joe Smyth, a member of Haskell-Marston Camp in Maine and active in several local historical groups.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Sam C. Gant

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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Ancestor: Robert J. Holmes,
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Plumley, Pvt., Co. B,
122nd Ohio Vol Inf



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6112 Stillmeadow Drive
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Ancestor: James P.
Cockerham, Farrier, Co. H,
10th TN Cav US

Appreciation for the help from Rick Warwick

Rick Warwick has been instrumental in getting the search for the graves of Union Civil War veterans off to a very promising start. With his research and accumulated information over his years as a historian for the Williamson County Historical Society, Rick has an intimate acquaintance with the present and past residents of Williamson County.

In 2007, Rick published the WCHSJournal, *Williamson County: Civil War Veterans—Their Reunions & Photographs*. From his research for this journal and other research, he knows the grave locations of many, many veterans. He has taken the time to take me to the grave locations of at least 15 Union veterans. He also met with the Camp on 24 Feb to help guide us in our search. The group that evening was embarrassingly small. THANK YOU, RICK!



**Thanks to each FDC62 Brother for
100% Membership Renewal**

Pvt. John Wesley Plumley
Great-Grandfather
of Brother Mike Plumley
John W. Plumley, Pvt., Co. B,
122nd OH Vol Inf ; Enlisted:
28 May 1864; Discharged:
26 June. 1865. b : 2 Oct.
1844, d: 6 Oct. 1926, buried:
Convoy, Ohio.



Civil War Service

Plumley was taken prisoner at the battle of Monocacy by General Early's forces, at the time of their raid toward Washington. He was imprisoned at Lynchburg, then at Danville, and finally at Libby Prison—in all about nine months. He came out of the army in very poor health, having suffered hardships and privations, from which he never fully recovered.

Private Uriah Larue

Great Grandfather of Michael Boley
G-G-G-Grandfather of George Michael Huttick
Uriah Larue, Pvt. Co. H, 120th OH Vol Inf
b: 27 May 1819; d: 23 Dec 1884; Buried: State
Line Cemetery, Mercer County, OH

Civil War Service

LaRue enlisted at Camp Mansfield, OH on 14 Oct 1862, Co. H, 120th Reg't, Ohio Vol Inf. On 27 Nov 1864, he transferred to Co. K, 114th OH Inf. On 24 July 1865, he transferred to Co. E, 48th OH Inf. He mustered out 14 Oct 1865 and was on detached duty for one year afterwards.

Musician Robert J. Holmes

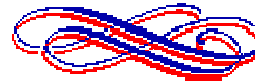
G-G-Grandfather of Scott Holmes
Mus. Robert J. Holmes, Musician, Co. B, 16th
Connecticut Vol. Inf. Enlisted: 14 Aug 1862;
Andersonville and Florence prisons: April –Dec
1864;b. 1842; Discharged: 7July 1865; d. 17
Mar 1923; Buried: West Avon, CT

Civil War Service

Engagements: Antietam, MD, 17 Sept 1862;
Fredericksburg, VA, 12-14 Dec 1862; Edenton
Rd, VA, 24 Apr 1863; Plymouth, NC, 20 Apr
1864; Andersonville Prison, GA, Apr 1864 – 10
Sept 1864; Providence Prison, SC, Sept 1864
– 16 Dec 1864; US Army Hosp, Annapolis, MD

At the 26 May meeting, Bro. Scott Holmes will present the fascinating account of the military experiences of Robert J. Holmes and the story of deprivation and courage at Andersonville.

**Fort Donelson National Battlefield Park
General Meeting and Tour
Cindy's Catfish House, Dover, TN
12:00 n., 11 April 2009**



GENERAL ORDER 2009-3 (edited0 Sons of Veterans Reserve 7 February 2009

Effective this date, the Commanding General of the SVR wishes to welcome the latest addition to the Sons of Veterans Reserve:

The 10th Tennessee Infantry (US), commanded by 1st SGT David M. DuBrucq, was entered onto the rolls of the Sons of Veterans Reserve with 9 members. The 10th Tennessee Infantry is under the command of the 7th Military District.

Brig. Gen. Robert E. Grim
Commanding Officer
Sons of Veterans Reserve
Attest:

Lt. Col. Donald E. Darby,
Adjutant General
Sons of Veterans Reserve

Brother Brettson Bauer
Brother David DuBrucq
Brother David Eagan
Brother Sam Gant
Brother James W. "Bill" Heard
Brother James Hurst
Brother George Andrew Huttick
Brother George Michael Huttick
Brother Roger Tenney

Brother David DuBrucq was elected to be the unit's first commander and has been appointed to the rank of 1st Sgt by Maj. Ken Early, commander of the 7th Military District, SVR. The Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) is the ceremonial uniformed military component of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The SVR's roots date back to 1881 with the "Cadet Corps" of the Grand Army of the Republic. In 1962, the National Military Department was created by the SUVCW and consolidated the SVR units under national regulations and command.

Hereditary, Junior and Associate members are eligible to join the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Charter Membership will remain open for a short time. Contact Brother David DuBrucq for additional information or an application at sockettuem@earthlink.net



**Check out the
FDC62 Web Site
tnsuvcw.org**

CIVIL WAR ACTION

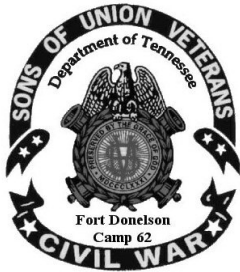
1 April 1863 — Federal expedition from Murfreesboro to Lebanon and Carthage
5 April 1862 — Military Gov Johnson suspends authority of Nashville Mayor and council for refusing loyalty oath
6 – 7 April 1862 — Battle of Shiloh
10 April 1863 — First Battle of Franklin
12 April 1864—Forrest captures Fort Pillow
21 April 1863—Federals occupy McMinnville
27 April 1865—Steamboat *Sultana* explodes and burns near Memphis
6 May 1861—TN passes secession ordinance
16 May 1861—TN admitted to the Confederacy
4 June 1863 — Forrest's CS cavalry attempts to surround Federals at Franklin
6 June 1862 — Battle of Memphis – War's last "fleet action" on the rivers
7 June 1862 — Federals capture Jackson
10 June 1865 — President Johnson declares Tennessee restored to the Union
16 June 1863 — US cavalry drives John Hunt Morgan's cavalry toward Shop Springs
23 June – 7 July 1863 —Tullahoma or Middle Tennessee Campaign

Upcoming Events: Fort Donelson Camp # 62

FDC62 Meeting, Cindy's Catfish House, Dover, TN
Tour at Fort Donelson, 12:00 n, 11 April 2009
FDC62 General Meeting. Millview church of Christ, 4370 Murfreesboro, Rd, Franklin, 7:00, Tues 26 May
Memorial Day Ceremonies—Stones River NBP – Fort Donelson NBP – Franklin at Five Points
Flag Day Ceremony –Honoring 5thTN Vol Cav US White Cemetery, 6917 Arno Rd., College Grove, TN, 10:30 a.m., 13 June 2009

For Upcoming Battlefield Events, contact : **Fort Donelson National Battlefield** (931-232-5706)

www.nps.gov/fodo
Stones River National Battlefield (615-893-950)
www.nps.gov/stri
Shiloh National Military Park (731-689-5696)
www.nps.gov/shil
Parkers Crossroads Battlefield (731-986-5572)
www.nps.gov/hps/abpp/battles/tn011.htm
Carter House Franklin, TN: (615-791-1861)
www.carter-house.org
Carnton Plantation, Franklin, TN (615-794-0903)
www.carnton.org



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