

# Guy's Gap

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## **NARRATIVE**

As part of the Tullahoma campaign, Union cavalry with Col. Robert Minty's First Brigade moved in advance of Gen. Gordon Granger's Reserve Corps of the Army of the Cumberland and engaged Confederates holding Guy's Gap on June 6, 1863. The action was part of the overall plan of Gen. William S. Rosecrans to fix Confederate attention on Shelbyville while his forces to the north sought to cut-off the Confederates at Tullahoma. They withdrew from the area two days later allowing Granger's corps to press through the gap toward Shelbyville unopposed.

## **COUNTY:**

Coffee

## **DATE:**

6/25/1863

## **GEO COORDINATES:**

35.6551° N,  
86.4030° W

## **HISTORICAL THEMES**

Controlling Resources, Transformation in Warfare

## **PRESERVATION**

### **OPPORTUNITY INDEX:**

HIGH

## **EXPLANATION OF ATTACHMENTS/VIDEO:**

Current map location  
Report from Official Records

## **CONFEDERATE UNITS:**

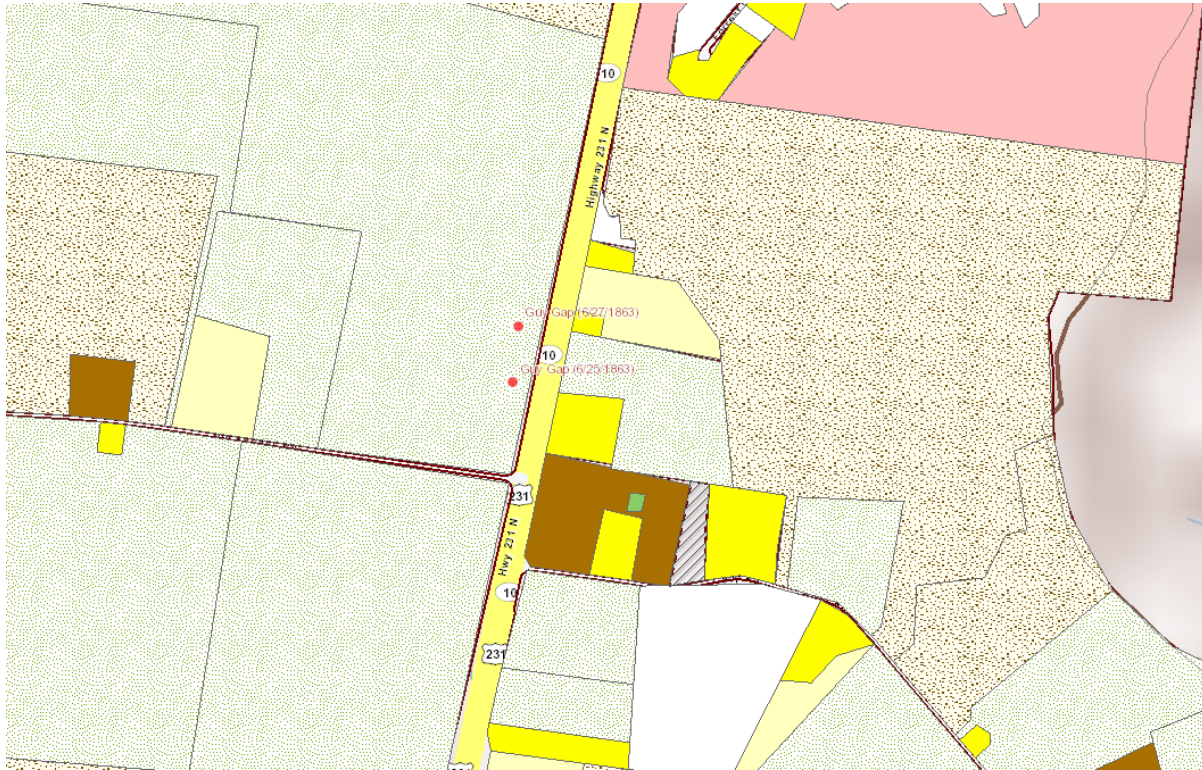
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## **LINKS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:**

N/A

## **UNION UNITS:**

5<sup>th</sup> Iowa Cavalry  
4<sup>th</sup> Michigan Cavalry  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>  
Tennessee Cavalry



Location of engagement at Guy's Gap, June 26, 1863

June 25, 1863 - Skirmish at Guy's Gap •See June 25, 1863--Skirmish at (Old) Fosterville

No circumstantial reports filed. HDQRS. UNITED STATES FORCES, Ransom's Farm, Guy's Gap, Tenn., June 27, 1863—4.20 p. m.

GEN.: We have carried Guy's Gap; met with no resistance to speak of. Our advance has reached the fortifications at Shelbyville. I have ordered the Fifth and Sixth Kentucky Cavalry, with three regiments of infantry, from Murfreesborough to Christiana. I left two regiments, one each of infantry and cavalry, with nine pieces of artillery, at that place this morning. I have not yet decided whether or not to push on to Shelbyville with the force I have here. I shall make my headquarters at Houston's Spring, on Webb's plantation, tonight. I have not yet decided whether to send Stanley to Fairfield direct by the way of Bellbuckle or around by Millersburg, but shall decide in a few hours. I did not receive your order to move until 6 o'clock this morning. We have a few prisoners. There were about 400 Confederates at this

place this morning. Will dispatch you again soon, the moment I hear from  
Shelbyville. Very respectfully, G. GRANGER, Maj.-Gen OR, Ser. I, Vol. 23, pt. I, pp.  
533-534

## LEGEND OF TERMS:

Historical themes: Topics and subject matter that characterize the battlefield including Control of Tennessee's Resources, Crucible for Leadership, Guerilla Warfare, Transformation in Warfare, Enslaved People, and Influence on Campaign. Sites are identified that exhibit themes at moderate to high levels, and some sites may contain one or more Historical Themes.

Preservation Opportunity Index (POI): A rating assigned for each battlefield to indicate relative opportunity and potential for successful site preservation. The Index is generated by a model that evaluates ratings assigned for site significance, condition, risk of loss, protection potential, and opportunities for interpretation. Based upon the POI values for each region in Tennessee (West, Middle, East), sites are indicated as having High, Medium, or Low opportunity.

Geo Coordinates: General/central location of the battlefield area per latitude and longitude coordinates utilized in Google Earth

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Please email us at [info@tcwpa.org](mailto:info@tcwpa.org) and we will reach out to you soon. If you have copies of documents or photos to share, you can include those. If you want to discuss by phone, we will schedule that too.

## HELP US COLLECT INFORMATION TO PRESERVE THESE BATTLEFIELDS

TCWPA's Statewide Preservation Plan team captains are recruiting volunteers to help gather information about many of the lesser-known sites with hopes of verifying the condition of each site and identifying opportunities for preservation and interpretation.

If you are interested in helping, please contact TCWPA at [info@tcwpa.org](mailto:info@tcwpa.org).

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Thank you!

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