TCWPA Battlefield Assessment

Germantown Road

tennessee civil war preservation association

NARRATIVE

On December 14, 1864 the 4th lowa Cavalry was attacked and dispersed on the Germantown Road losing several killed, wounded and captured.

COUNTY:

Shelby

DATE:

12/14/1864

GEO COORDINATES:

35.132639° N, 89.961611° W

PRESERVATION
OPPORTUNITY INDEX:

LOW

CONFEDERATE UNITS:

N/A

UNION UNITS:

4th Iowa Cavalry

HISTORICAL THEMES

Guerilla Warfare

EXPLANATION OF ATTACHMENTS/VIDEO:

Map; reports from Official Records

LINKS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

N/A



December 14, 1864 - Skirmish on Germantown road, near Memphis DECEMBER 14, 1864.-Skirmish on the Germantown road, near Memphis, Tenn.

Report of Col. Edward F. Winslow, Fourth Iowa Cavalry, commanding Second Cavalry Brigade.

HDQRS. SECOND BRIGADE, December 14, 1864.

Capt. Huff, Fourth Iowa Cavalry, and fifty men were suddenly charged on the Germantown road, this day about 12 m., by a party, and dispersed, five miles out. Loss yet unknown, though I judge several were killed, wounded, and perhaps quite a number captured.

Yours, truly,

WINSLOW, Col., Cmdg.

OR, Ser. I, Vol. 45, pt. I, p. 843.

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

DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON A BATTLE SITE?

Please email us at 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.

TCWPA will not publish nor release any confidential information, or the name of the contributor, unless you request to be recognized.

Thank you!

