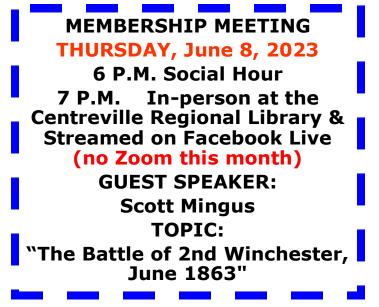


The Newsletter of the Bull Run Civil War Round Table — Vol. XXX, Issue 6, JUNE 2023

# HISTORIAN AND AUTHOR SCOTT MINGUS SPEAKS ON "THE BATTLE OF 2nd WINCHES-TER, JUNE 1863" AT THE JUNE 8th MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Battle of Second Winchester was the second engagement of the Gettysburg Campaign. After his victory at Chancellorsville, Confederate General Robert E. Lee decided to invade the North again to provide relief to war-ravaged Virginia and hopefully win a decisive battle on Northern soil. Lee planned to march up the Shenandoah Valley and cross into Maryland, where the army's movements would be screened by both the Blue Ridge Mountains and Gen. J.E.B. Stuart's cavalry. Lt. Gen. Richard Ewell's II Corps received the mission to clear the valley for the rest of the Confederate army. For the 160th Anniversary month of 2nd Winchester, we are thankful to have the author of a new book on the battle come to visit us again, following his excellent April 2021 Zoom presentation.

Scott Mingus is a retired research scientist and current consultant to the global pulp and paper industry. He holds U. S. patents in self-adhesive postage stamps and bar code labels. The Ohio native graduated from the Paper Science & Engineering program at Miami University in 1978. While working for Avery Dennison, he was part of the research team that developed the first commercially successful self-adhesive U.S. postage stamps. Scott has written 22 books on the Civil War and the Underground Railroad. His biography of Gen. William "Extra Billy" Smith won multiple awards,



including the Dr. James I. Robertson, Jr. Literary Prize for Confederate History. He has also written articles for Gettysburg Magazine and various historical journals. Scott has appeared on C-SPAN, C-SPAN3, PCN, and other TV networks. For more than a decade, he has written a popular blog on the Civil War history of York County (www.yorkblog.com/cannonball).

He received the 2013 Heritage Profile Award from the York County History Center for his contributions to local Civil War history. He has written six scenario books for Civil War miniature war gaming. His great-great-grandfather was a 15year-old drummer boy and rifleman in the 51st Ohio Infantry in the Western Theater; other family members fought at Antietam and Gettysburg in the 7th West Virginia of the Army of the Potomac. Scott and his wife Debi live in Manchester Township, north of York PA. Please come early to chat with Scott and your colleagues. Hope to see you there!

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# **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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# The President's Column by Mark Whitenton

Photos: Janet Greentree

At last month's General Membership Meeting, we were fortunate to have Frank O'Reilly give us a talk on the Battle of Chancellorsville. I'm sorry to have missed his well-received talk, but I was on travel. Fortunately, members were very well served by our multi-talented Vice President, Kim Brace, who both handled the Zoom meeting with his usual professionalism, and also conducted the meeting and introduced the speaker. The BRCWRT appreciates the many donations of used Civil War history books given by members. At the last meeting, we had a large number of books brought unannounced to the room. While generous, the size of the donation did pose some logistical problems at the end of the evening. **If you have more than a few books to give, please contact Blake Myers** at jb11thva@cox.net or **Stephanie Vale** at brcwrtmarketing@gmail.com to arrange for the best method to deliver your donation.



Our speaker, Frank O'Reilly

Thanks to Sam Laudenslager and the Tour and Field Trip Committee we are now afforded tours almost every month. Last month's tour, on May 6, was of the pre-Gettysburg cavalry engagements from Aldie to Upperville. This tour was led by our own Kevin Pawlak. A full After Action Report of the May 6 tour will be included in next month's edition of the *Stone Wall*.

Please join us on June 17 for our next tour on the "Prelude to Gettysburg", a visit to the Brandy Station battlegrounds. This one should also be rewarding. Please sign up on our website and join us for this informative caravan and brown bag tour! The Marching Orders are on page 6.





Saundra Cox serves up BRCWRT Anniversary cake

We hope you will join us on Thursday, June 8, at the Centreville Library to hear this month's speaker, Scott Mingus, on "The Battle of 2nd Winchester, June 1863." Once again, thank you, Past-President Mark Trbovich for arranging for such terrific speakers.

Please note that **we will NOT be able to Zoom our General Membership Meeting on June 8.** Our Secretary, Debbie Whitenton, will endeavor to stream our meeting on **Facebook Live**.

# Bull Run Civil War Round Table

# Upcoming 2023 Program of Events

Date	Event	
June 8	Monthly Meeting Speaker: Scott Mingus – "The Battle of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Winchester, June 1863"	
June 17	June Field Trip: "Prelude to Gettysburg II" – A visit to Brandy Station	
July 13	Monthly Meeting Speaker: Jim Anderson – "The Impact of Intelligence on the Gettys- burg Campaign July 1863"	
July 22	Civil War Hospital Weekend: Ben Lomond – BRCWRT book sales	
August 10	Monthly Meeting Speaker: Cory Pfarr – "Longstreet at Gettysburg: A Critical Reassessment"	
August 26	161st Commemoration of Battle of Kettle Run: Bristoe Station - BRCWRT book sales	
September 14	Monthly Meeting Speaker: Jeffery Hunt – "The Battle at Rappahannock Station, November 1863"	
September 16	Ben Lomond History Day: Ben Lomond – BRCWRT book sales	
September 17	BRCWRT Annual Picnic: The Winery at Bull Run - 11:30 to 2:30	
September 23	Sept. Field Trip: "Bristoe Campaign Oct 13-19, 1863" – Led by Bill Backus	
October 12	Monthly Meeting Speakers: Kevin Pawlak and Kate Bitely – "The Battle of Bristoe Station, October 14, 1863"	
October 14	160 <sup>th</sup> Commemoration of the Battle of Bristoe Station: BRCWRT book sales	
October 21	October Field Trip: "Postscript to Gettysburg II" – Guided by Mike Block	
November 4	November Field Trip: "CS Military Railroad Sites Tour"	
November 9	Monthly Meeting Speaker: J. Nathan McDonald - "Battle of Droop Mountain WV, November 6, 1863"	
December 14	Monthly Meeting Speaker: John Quarstein - "Into The Ring of Fire, Federal Admiral DuPont's attack on Charleston SC, 1863"	

Monthly Meetings in "Black" Tours/Field Trips & Special RT Events in "Red" County or outside sponsored events in "Green"



Edward Yost is originally from Fairmont WV, but has resided in Centreville since 2012. A member of The Friends of National Parks at Gettysburg (now the *Friends of Gettysburg Foundation*) for over 20 years, Ed has also been a member of both the Association for the Preservation of Civil War Sites and the Civil War Trust (now the American Battlefield Trust). He savs he was blessed to find a wife who understands his interests and passion, to the point of spending their honeymoon at Gettysburg during the annual reenactments. His interest in the Civil War started in 1990 after a walking tour on a trip to Charleston SC. Research into his family tree revealed several Union soldiers, and possibly even a Confederate soldier.

Ed says that he has not fully explored the battles throughout Virginia and has started getting more exposure by taking tours and volunteering for the last workday at Manassas NBP. He would like to learn a lot more about troop movements and also the civilian experience of the war in Northern Virginia. Ed looks forward to enjoying fellowship with the BRCWRT group.

Bud Mayo is a native Virginian, born and raised in Alexandria. He holds a B.S. degree from the University of Tennessee and an M.Ed. from the University of Virginia. During his forty-year with Fairfax County Public career Schools, he served as a US and Virginia History teacher, counselor, middle and high school administrator, and as a football and lacrosse coach. Currently he is the Camp Commander of the Frank Stringfellow Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans in Fairfax. He's active in the Eagles, Elks and Moose Lodges, and looks forward to enjoying fellowship with the BRCWRT group.

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# **More Civil War Activities**

If you are looking for Civil War activities to enjoy this summer, you may want to check out the latest calendar of events from the Civil War Roundtable Congress. Many of these events are within driving distance of northern Virginia, and they cover a variety of topics. Some are coming up soon, so visit the listing at:

https://mailchi.mp/a700084d985b/cwrtcongress-news-events-13362540?e=9cc336a704



# BRCWRT Caravan Tour Marching Orders Prelude to Gettysburg II: Brandy Station Battlefield

Date: Saturday, June 17th, 2023 8:30 AM

Guide: Richard Deardoff, Brandy Station Foundation/Graffiti House docent

**Assembly Location/Time: 8:30 AM** Meet at Centreville Regional Library (14200 St. Germain Drive) to form carpools.

Departure Time: 9:00 AM Carpools depart; 10:30 arrive at Graffiti House

**Tour Duration**: Tour ends 2:30-3:00 PM, return to Centreville about 4 PM.

Cost: Free!

**Uniform of the Day:** Dress for local weather conditions. There will be some walking; wear comfortable walking shoes. Trails are on open, level ground.

**Lunch:** BYOB Bring Your Brown Bag lunch. Picnic area at Graffiti House.

**Subject Matter:** Site of the largest cavalry battle of the American Civil War (and the largest cavalry action ever fought in the Americas). The Union Army's Cavalry Corps surprises J.E.B. Stuart's Army of Northern Virginia cavalry division (June 9th, 1863), near Culpeper VA. Also the site of the Army of the Potomac's Fall 1863-Winter 1864 encampment, and 3 other major cavalry engagements during 1862-1864.

# Tour Stops include:

- Buford's Knoll
- St. James Church site
- Fleetwood Hill
- Yew Ridge
- The "Graffiti House"

**BRCWRT Contact:** Sam Laudenslager, (703) 878-8642 (message phone) kapel-meister1@hotmail.com

If interested in attending, please **sign up** via the BRCWRT Website, or at the May or June General Meeting. If you find later that you cannot attend, **please notify Sam** so he can keep the list accurate.



"The Gray Comanches" by Don Troiani



<u>"If we are striking for Pennsylvania:</u> <u>The Army of Northern Virginia and the Ar-</u> <u>my of the Potomac March to Gettysburg,</u> <u>Volume 1: June 3-21, 1863</u>" by Scott L. Mingus Sr. and Eric J. Wittenberg is the first volume of a two-volume set (the second volume is due to come out in June) that provides a detailed study of the movements of the two armies that culminated in the famed Battle of Gettysburg.

The level of detail that Mingus and Wittenberg go into is such that no minor skirmish or even, it seems, pickets firing on each other is omitted. Much of the text is taken from writings of soldiers who were there, which gives the book a lively first-person account of the activities. Each chapter represents one day of the march and can run from a few pages to many pages, depending on the activity of the day – major engagements taking more space. For example, Tuesday, June 9, 1863, the famed Battle of Brandy Station begins on page 118 and concludes on page 151. (Lest one think that these 33 pages are all action packed, pages 146 through 151 are footnotes.)

In comparison, June 10, 1863, is "only" 13 pages long, the last page having "only" 28 footnotes compared with the 87 footnotes devoted to the fighting of the day before.

The text is richly footnoted, indicating the academic nature of the study, as one would expect from these two authors. Furthermore, the books being published by Savas Beatie speaks to the scholarly nature of the work. The book is richly illustrated with photographs of the principal players of the trek from Virginia to Gettysburg, as well as the usual high quality maps that one expects in a book of this caliber. For those of us in the Northern Virginia area who are immersed in the Civil War, these maps relate familiar places and roads. For someone from outside the area, the maps give an insight with relation to Washington, D. C. into where and along what road(s) the scenes of the trek took place.

Editorial comment: If you are "not into detail" this book is not for you; if you are "into detail", this is an excellent read.

The book is available in the usual and customary formats. The hard copy is available for \$34.95 and the Nook Copy for \$15.99 at Barnes and Noble. The ISBN is 9781611215847. The price is slightly lower on Amazon for the hard copy. Volume 2 is now available for preorder, the date of release being June 30.

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# **BRCWRT BOOK SALES**

The Round Table holds regular sales of donated books to raise money for the \$2000 Annual Scholarship Fund; these books increase our members' understanding of the Civil War. Members are also encouraged to make tax-deductible monetary donations to the Fund. If you have more than a few books to give, Myers please contact Blake at jb11thva@cox.net or Stephanie Vale at brcwrtmarketing@gmail.com to arrange for the best method to deliver your donation. Thank you!

# 42nd Annual Spring Civil War Mosby Bus Tour Mosby and the Gettysburg Campaign

Saturday, June 17, 2023

Sponsored by the Stuart - Mosby Historical Society

Tour Leaders will be Kevin Pawlak and Rob Orrison - our INAUGURAL TOUR!

# We are honored to take the reigns from Don and Eric, and plan on honoring this great tradition.

Mosby played an integral role in the Gettysburg campaign. Tour will include stops such as Ewell's Chapel, Middleburg, Aldie, Rowser's Ford and many others. The bus will leave Truro Parish (10520 Main Street, Fairfax City) promptly at 8:30am.

\$80 members of the Stuart-Mosby Historical Society

\$90 for non-members

(Same as 2022 prices!)

Tour does not include lunch. Lunch will be on your own.

To sign up contact Rob Orrison at 703-431-2869 or email orrison76@hotmail.com or send your check to Rob Orrison (make checks payable to Rob) at 16937 Monmouth Ct. Dumfries, VA 22026.

No refunds after June 3, 2023.

This tour is the longest continuous Mosby bus tour in America today!





#### CIVIL WAR TRAVELS WITH MS. REBELLE

**By Janet Greentree** 

# Brigadier General George Hume "Maryland" Steuart III, CSA

Ms. Rebelle is not sure whether General Steuart is an interesting person, or the family he descended from (including his future wife Maria Hunter Kinzie's family) are more interesting. Most of you know that I am from Annapolis, MD. The Steuart family plays very much into the history of the Annapolis, South River, Davidsonville, and Baltimore areas of Maryland.

The Steuart name is Scottish; his great-grandfather Dr. George Hume Steuart immigrated to Annapolis in 1721 from Perthshire, Scotland. Not only was he a doctor, he was a judge at the land office in Annapolis, member of the legislature, mayor of Annapolis, a graduate of the Uni-

versity of Edinburgh, and was descended from Kenneth II, who was King of Scotland in 971. Kenneth II is the 30<sup>th</sup> great-grandfather of the newly crowned King Charles III. You cannot get much better lineage than that.



Dr. George was the first to change the spelling of his name from Stewart to Steuart. The family lived on Francis Street in Annapolis on land that is now the site of the Governor's Mansion, across from the State Capitol Building. The area is now part of State Circle. His family attended St. Anne's Episcopal Church on State Circle, which is still standing. Annapolis, 1959 St. Anne's Episcopal Church (in circle), Governor's Mansion (above the church), State House (to right of Governor's Mansion



In 1747 Dr. George purchased the 550-acre Dodon estate on South River near the Chesapeake Bay. Dodon in French is "Dieu Donne", meaning Gift of God. General George Washington was a frequent visitor to the house. Dr. George said that Washington would come on a barge from Mt. Vernon rowed by 6 Negroes arrayed in a uniform of checked shirts and black velvet caps. Can you imagine how long that trip must have taken from Mt. Vernon to Annapolis by boat? It is no wonder people visited for long periods of time.



Dodon House

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The main house burned down in 1953, but there are descendants of the Steuart family still living on the land. The plantation was used for farming, growing tobacco, and raising race horses. Dr. George's horse Dungannon, imported from England, won the first formal horse race in Maryland in May 1743, winning the Annapolis Subscription Plate. The race took place at Parole (*see Camp Parole Stone Wall Article of March, 2009*). At the outbreak of the Revolutionary War, he turned Dodon over to his wife, Ann Digges, and returned to Scotland to retain his estates there.



One of Dr. George's six surviving children, Dr. James Steuart, served during the Revolutionary War and lived with his wife Rebecca Sprigg on a plantation at Sparrow's Point. Dr. James' elder son was Maj. Gen. George Hume Steuart Jr., the father of George Hume Steuart III. His wife was Ann Jane Edmondson. George, Jr. was a graduate of Princeton and an attorney. During the War of 1812 he commanded a company in Sterrett's Fifth Regiment. He was seriously wounded at the battle of North Point near Baltimore, George Jr's vounger brother, Dr. Richard Sprigg Steuart, would inherit Dodon in 1838.

During the Civil War the Steuarts were sympathetic to the South and furnished horses and quinine to be sent South for the troops. Their plantation was raided frequently by the Union. After the war, the plantation was sold by Richard Steuart's sisters, Isabel & Emily, to the Roman Catholic Church. In 1929 Dodon was repurchased by Annette Steuart Pittman Wise, one of Richard Steuart's daughters. The winery called "The Vineyards at Dodon" is run by Annette's great-granddaughter; it features a Merlot wine called *Dungannon*.



#### Janet Greentree, Gwen Wyttenbach, & Nancy Anwyll Photo by Hannah

George Hume Steuart III was born on August 24, 1828 in Baltimore; his parents had moved there in 1791 from Dodon. He was the oldest of ten children: Isaac Edmondson, William James, Thomas Edmondson, Dr. James Henry, Mary Elizabeth, Anne Rebecca, Charles David, Margaret Sophia, and Henrietta Elizabeth. His brother William died of wounds received at the Wilderness. They were raised at Maryland Square, later known as Steuart Hall, at the intersection of West Baltimore & Monroe Streets. The home was confiscated by the Union

when George, Jr. joined the Confederate Army. Jarvis Militarv Hospital was built on the land. The property was given back to the Steuarts in 1866; the hospital was demolished in 1884. The neighborhood is now full of



Baltimore's famous row houses. They also owned a farm called Mount Steuart southeast of Annapolis.

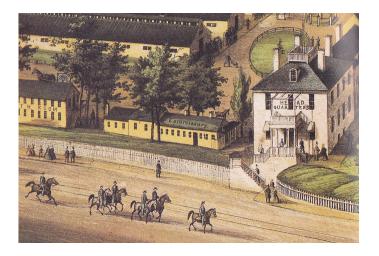
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Steuart Hall, Baltimore



#### Site of the Jarvis Hospital

George Steuart III attended West Point from July 1844 to July 1848. He graduated 37<sup>th</sup> (next to last) in his class at the age of 19. Future Civil War generals in his class were William Beall, John Buford, "Shanks" Evans, William Nathan E. "Grumble" Jones, and Walter H. Stevens. After graduation, Steuart was commissioned as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dragoons, a cavalry regiment, and was assigned to the frontier to fight Indians. He served at Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis in 1848 and Fort Leavenworth, KS in 1849. He was with an expedition to the Rocky

Mountains, the Utah War against the Mormons, and the Comanche expedition in 1860. On March 4, 1861 at President Abraham Lincoln's inauguration, Steuart commanded a troop of cavalry that acted as an escort to the president.



Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis

George's wife Maria Hunter Kinzie was the daughter of Col. Robert A. Kinzie and Gwinthlean Harriet Whistler. Her father was a US Army Paymaster during the Civil War. Her mother was described by Charles Dickens as "the handsomest woman I have met in America". Maria's grandfather was the first white settler in Chicago and built Fort Dearborn. Her first cousin was James McNeil Whistler, who painted the famous painting "Whistler's Mother". The other interesting connection Maria has is that she was the niece (by marriage) of Gen. David Hunter.

George and Maria Kinzie met in Kansas and were married on January 14, 1858 in Fort Leavenworth, KS. They had two daughters, Maria Hunter and Ann Mary "Daisy." Maria and George were apart for many long periods of time while George was on frontier duty. Maria's sympathies lay with the Union when the Civil War began, which became a problem between them. George resigned his commission on April 16, 1861, after spending 13 years in the

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Army, and joined the Confederacy as a cavalry captain. Both he and his father were absolutely determined to keep the Union out of Maryland. George III wrote a letter to Charles Howard, President of the Baltimore police, and stated: "If the Massachusetts troops are on the march [to Annapolis], I shall be in motion very early tomorrow to pay my respects to them." George III tried to get Maryland to secede from the Union but had no luck in doing that. He commanded a Baltimore Militia unit at the Baltimore City Riots against Massachusetts troops on April 19, 1861.



Baltimore City Riots, 1861

Steuart was nicknamed "Maryland" to distinguish him from J. E. B. Stuart. Steuart fought in most of the battles in the East, including 1<sup>st</sup> Bull Run, Jackson's Valley Campaign, 1<sup>st</sup> Winchester, Cross Keys, Gettysburg Campaign, 2<sup>nd</sup> Winchester, Mine Run, Wilderness, Spotsylvania Courthouse, Richmond-Petersburg Campaign, Appomattox Campaign, Five Forks, Sayler's Creek, and he surrendered with Gen. Robert E. Lee at Appomattox Courthouse.

He was a very strict disciplinarian and was originally unpopular with his men. He would order his men to sweep the dirt floors of their bivouacs. He used to sneak through the lines to test the men. Unfortunately a sentry once did not recognize his commander, and he was beaten by the sentry. His men eventually came around; Major W.W. Goldsborough said of him: "it was not only his love for a clean camp, but a desire to promote the health and comfort of his men that made him unyielding in the enforcement of sanitary rules. You might influence him in some things, but never this."

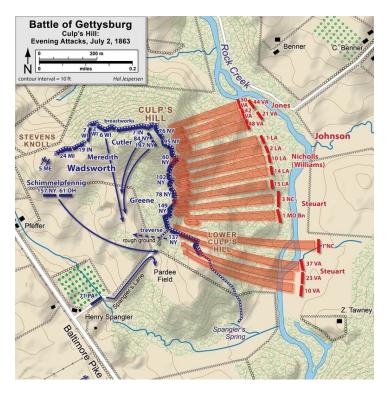
Steuart was promoted to brigadier general on March 8, 1862 under General Ewell and General Jackson. Steuart was given command of the  $2^{nd}$  and  $6^{th}$  VA Cavalry regiments by Jackson. Jackson was victorious at 1<sup>st</sup> Winchester, but no one could find Steuart to pursue the re-No charges were treat of Gen. Banks. filed against him. At the Battle of Cross Keys, Steuart was injured in the shoulder by grape shot and was carried off the battlefield. His collarbone was broken with a terrible wound. It did not heal well and finally the ball was removed by surgery in August, 1862. He did not return to duty until May 1863.

When Steuart and his men made their way into Maryland in the Gettysburg Campaign, the general leapt off his horse and kissed the Maryland ground. According to Quartermaster John Howard, Steuart also did 17 double somersaults while whistling "Maryland, My Maryland". Steuart and his men marched from Sharpsburg, MD on July 1<sup>st</sup> to Gettysburg with many of his men barefoot and near exhaustion. They were first positioned near the Hanover Road near Rock Creek. Steuart commanded the 1<sup>st</sup> MD Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> NC, 10<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 37<sup>th</sup> VA. His men attacked the Union line on the evening of July 2<sup>nd</sup> on the steep incline of Culp's Hill near Spangler's Spring. He tried several times to take control of the hill. Some of the men aot

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to within 20 paces of the Union line, which at that point was defended by the 137th and 149<sup>th</sup> NY Volunteers. The breastworks built by the Union made it impossible for Steuart's men to penetrate their line. The next day they fought again from dawn until 11:00 a.m. Within the space of 10 hours the casualty rate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> MD and 3<sup>rd</sup> NC was between 1/2 and 2/3 of the men. Steuart's line fell back to the base of Culp's Hill and moved around midnight to Semi-On July 4<sup>th</sup> around 10:00 nary Ridge. p.m., they began their march to Hagerstown, arriving on July 8th. Only 1,200 out of 2,200 reported for duty when arriving. Steuart has a shield marker on Culp's Hill.



Culp's Hill, July 2nd 1863

While fighting at the Wilderness on May 7, 1864, his brother Lt. William James Steuart was severely wounded in the hip. He was sent to Guinea Station, where he died on May 21<sup>st</sup> of his injuries At the battle of Spotsylvania Court House, Gen. Steuart was captured by Gen. Winfield S.



Spangler's Spring



Steuart's Shield Marker (Photos: Janet Greentree)

Hancock on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1864 at the Mule Shoe. He was forced to surrender to Col. James A. Beaver of the 148<sup>th</sup> PA Infantry. Beaver asked Steuart "Where is your sword, sir?" It was said that Steuart replied with much sarcasm "Well, suh, you all waked us up so early this mawnin' that I didn't have time to get it on." He also encountered Gen. Hancock, who offered his hand, but Steuart refused to shake it. Steuart said "Considering the circumstance, General, I refuse to take your hand." Hancock

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replied "And under any other circumstance, General, I would have refused to offer it." Hancock made Steuart march in the rear with the other prisoners. Steuart was sent to a prisoner of war camp in Charleston, SC and later imprisoned at Hilton Head.

After the surrender at Appomattox, and after swearing his allegiance to the Union, he went back to farming at Mount Steuart. His home at Maryland Hall in Baltimore was returned to the family in 1866. Steuart refused to live there and moved to the Carrollton Hotel in Baltimore. His marriage was still strained, and was even more so when he hired a housekeeper in the 1890s named Fanny Grenor. His two daughters sided with their mother. The 1880 Federal Census indicates that Maria and her daughters were living with Gen. David Hunter, Maria's uncle by marriage.

Apparently Gen. Steuart liked to attend monument unveilings. He was present at the unveiling of Gen. Robert E. Lee's monument in Richmond on May 28, 1890. He was also present at the unveiling of the Gen. A. P. Hill monument in Richmond on May 30, 1892. He even rode in a special train for the ceremony. The Baltimore Sun of May 28, 1892 reported: "Gen. George H. Steuart will command the Confederate veterans from this city as well as the Washington contingent. They will carry the Maryland flag, and will wear a unique badge, containing a fine portrait of Gen. A. P. Hill, with the Maryland colors, black and orange, arranged at the top. The relations existing between General A. P. Hill and General George H. Steuart began at the West Point Military Academy."

Gen. Steuart died of an ulcer and hemorrhage on November 22, 1903 at the age of 75 in South River, MD. He died intestate and left an estate valued at around

\$100,000. His housekeeper Fanny Grenor contested the estate value and sought "pay for the 10 years she had acted as housekeeper, and also performed other duties of a more or less menial character." Steuart was buried in Green Mount Cemetery in Baltimore. His parents, brothers and sisters are buried in the same plot. He shares the cemetery with none other than John Wilkes Booth and eight other Civil War generals, including two Union ones: Arnold Elzey, Benjamin Huger, Joseph Johnston, John Kenly (USA), Lewis Little, Isaac Trimble, Erastus Tyler (USA), and John Winder.



Steuart Grave Marker (Photos: Janet Greentree)

#### **MS. REBELLE**

The Baltimore Sun reported on November 25, 1903: "Blue and Gray Mourn Him – Gen. George H. Steuart Buried with Military Honors. Final Salute and "Taps" -Body Taken from General's Late Home, on South River, to Annapolis, Thence to Greenmount. Covered with the Confederate battle flag, a worn and torn relic of the days of civil strife, under which he led his Marylanders to victory on many a hardfought field, and followed by his comrades in arms, many of those wearing the gray of his beloved Southland, the remains of Brig. Gen. George Hume Steuart, general officer from Maryland, was borne to his last bivouac in Greenmount Cemetery yesterday afternoon. From all parts of the State the men who had followed the banner of the starry cross in victory and defeat gathered to pay a last tribute to their old leader.

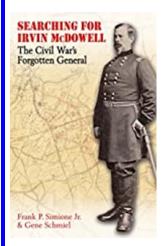
"The body of the dead soldier was taken from his late home, Mount Steuart, on South River, about 10 miles from Annapolis yesterday morning and was met on the outskirts of Annapolis by the George H. Steuart Camp of Confederate Veterans, Lieut, James W. Owens commanding. The cortege proceeded to St. Anne's Protestant Episcopal Church, of which the deceased was a member, and services were conducted by Rev. J. C. McComas. The body was brought to Baltimore on the Annapolis Short Line. At the main entrance to Greenmount Cemetery the funeral procession formed and took up the march to the grave. A fife and drum corps led the cortege, playing the dead march from "Saul." Then came Company I of the Fifth Regiment, in full uniform under command of Capt. N. Lee Goldsborough, who was in General Steuart's command during the war. At the grave in the old Steuart lot a one-pound rapid-fire cannon, in charge of Lieut. E. G. Willard, Gunner John R. Field and Gunner's Mate John Thompson, of the

Maryland Naval Reserves, was stationed, facing toward the east. The casket, covered with flowers and the bullet-riddled battle flag of the First Maryland Cavalry, was then taken from the hearse. It was desired to have the casket covered with the old battle flag of the Second Maryland Infantry, which is preserved at the home and which was the first Confederate flag planted on the Union breastworks on Culp's Hill at Gettysburg, when the hill was carried by General Steuart's brigade, but it was found that the condition of the flag would not permit of this."

*NOTE: Ms. Rebelle's hobby is travelling the country finding and honoring the graves of our 1,008 Civil War generals. So far she has located and photographed 427 - 169 Confederate and 258 Union. You may contact her at <u>jlgrtree@erols.com</u>.* 

The first biography of Union General Irvin McDowell, written by BRCWRT Members Frank P. Simione Jr. and Gene Schmiel, is now available for sale at: https://www.savasbeatie.com/searching-for-irvinmcdowell-the-civil-wars-forgotten-general

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