



PATRIOT'S PERIODICAL

UPSHUR CO. PATRIOTS CAMP #2109

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

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Meetings are held the
1st Tuesday of
Each Month at 7 PM
in the Historic Upshur Museum
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OCTOBER 2026



Texas Division
Chief of Staff Bill
Elliott (Rt.)
received the Deo
Vindice Award, the
highest indi-
vidual honor
presented by the
Texas Division.

The award
recognizes exceptional service to the
Division and honored Elliott's leadership
and contributions to the organization. As
Chief of Staff, Elliott works closely with the
Division Commander, Division officers, and
camps in carrying out the work of the Texas
Division.

His selection for the Deo Vindice Award was
fitting recognition of that service and one of
the highlights of the reunion.

From: The Texas Confederate

*Commander Elliot was also awarded the
Distinguished Service Medal.

CAMP LEADERSHIP

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CHARGE TO THE SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

“To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier’s good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish.”

“Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations

In 1906 General Stephen D. Lee, Commander-in-Chief of the United Confederate Veterans, gave a charge to the next generation of Southerners. This charge has defined the mission of the Sons of Confederate Veterans ever since.



On June 23, 1864, Lee was appointed a lieutenant general, making him the youngest man to reach the rank in the Confederate Army.

OUR PLEDGES



PLEDGE TO THE U.S. FLAG:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, One nation, under God, indivisible, With liberty and justice for all.



PLEDGE TO THE TEXAS FLAG:

Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.



SALUTE TO THE CONFEDERATE FLAG:

I salute the Confederate Flag With affection, reverence, and Undying devotion to the cause for which it stands.



Thank you to the Historic Upshur Museum for providing our meeting location.



THE GUARDIAN

myheritage.com

A worthwhile and satisfying program to become involved in. Honoring our Ancestors is an important part of who we are as Sons of Confederate Veterans. The primary purpose of the Guardian Program is to honor Confederate veterans by caring for their gravesites.

If you are not a Guardian, think about becoming one today.

Consider joining this rewarding program.

The SCV Guardian Program

Honors the Fallen.

"If you're not a Guardian, why not?" ...PD

Contact Guardian Program Chairman Bill Elliot for information at: etaia@att.net



UPSHUR CO. PATRIOTS GUARDIANS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Guardian</u> <u>Status</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Graves</u>
Phil Davis	Full	37
Chris Loyd	Full	5
George Linton	Full/W/GPT	51
Eddie Pricer	Full/GPT	48
Milt Ojeman	Full/GPT	4
David Palmer	Full	1
Bill Starnes	Full/W/GPT	8
Frank Smith	Full	2
Gregg Gipe	GPT	3
Rodney Love	Full	51

W=Wilderness GPT=Guardian Pro Tem

Upshur County Patriots Members that Were Guardians and have Passed Away

Paul Hamilton

Tommy Mitchell

Tommy Ray

William "Bill" Palmer





OCTOBER EVENTS IN THE CIVIL WAR

1861

September 3 - Confederate troops enter Kentucky, ending the state's neutral status

September 5 - Skirmish at Papinsville, Missouri

September 6 - Federal forces seize Paducah, Kentucky

September 10 - Engagement at Carinfex Ferry, Virginia (now West Virginia)

September 12 - Siege of Lexington, Missouri begins

September 12 to 15 - Battle of Cheat Mountain, Virginia (now West Virginia)

September 20 - Union garrison surrenders Lexington, Missouri

September 26 - Skirmish near Fort Thorn, New Mexico Territory

1862

October 1 - Skirmish near Sharpsburg, Maryland

October 3 - Battle of Corinth, Mississippi

October 8 - Battle of Perryville (Chaplin Hills), Kentucky

October 10 - Fighting at Harrodsburg and Danville Crossroads, Kentucky

October 11 - Skirmish near Helena, Arkansas

October 15 - Skirmish at Neely's Bend on the Cumberland River in Tennessee

October 18 - Garrison captured at Lexington, Kentucky in Morgan's Raid

October 22 - Skirmish at Fort Wayne, Indian Territory (now Oklahoma)



October 24 - Union Major General William Rosecrans replaces Major General Don Carlos Buell as commander of the Army of the Ohio

October 29 - Skirmish at Island Mound, Missouri, the first time in the Civil War that African American soldiers fight as part an organized unit

1863

October 5 - Torpedo attack on USS *New Ironsides* outside Charleston Harbor, South Carolina

October 9 - Bristoe Station Campaign begins in Virginia

October 14 - Battle of Bristoe Station, Virginia

October 19 - Cavalry engagement known as the Buckland Races, Virginia

October 20 - Skirmish at Warm Springs, North Carolina

October 26 - Fight at King's House near Waynesville, Missouri

October 28 - Engagement at Wauhatchie, Tennessee

October 29 - Fighting at Warsaw and Ozark Missouri

1864

October 2 - Engagement at Saltville, Virginia

October 5 - Battle of Allatoona Pass, Georgia

October 6 - Cavalry engagement at Brock's Gap, Virginia

October 7 - Capture of CSS *Florida* by USS *Wachusett* at Bahia, Brazil

October 7 - Battle of Darbytown Road, Virginia

October 9 - Engagement at Tom's Brook, Virginia

October 13 - Confederate Colonel John S. Mosby robs train near Harpers Ferry, West Virginia

October 19 - Raid on St. Albans, Vermont

October 19 - Battle of Cedar Creek (Belle Grove), Virginia

October 22 - Battle of Byram's Ford, Missouri

October 23 - Battle of Westport (Kansas City), Missouri

October 25 - Battle of Mine Creek (Marais Des Cygnes), Kansas

October 27 - Battle of Boydton Plank Road (Burgess' Mill), Virginia

October 27 - Engagement at Fair Oaks and on Darbytown Road, Virginia

October 27 - Union navy uses "torpedo" to sink Confederate ironclad Albermarle at Plymouth, North Carolina

October 30 - Skirmish at Muscle Shoals, Alabama



CARNIFEX FERRY

wikipedia

The Engagement at Carnifex Ferry occurred on September 10, 1861, in Nicholas County, Virginia, which is now part of West Virginia. This battle was a significant event during the American Civil War, marking a Union victory that played a crucial role in the region's history.

The Union, led by Brig. Gen. William S. Rosecrans, used a numerical advantage and rapid reinforcement to pressure Confederate Brig. Gen. John B. Floyd's entrenched position, while Union artillery and coordinated assaults forced Floyd to retreat across the Gauley River under cover of darkness.

The Union victory at Carnifex Ferry was pivotal in maintaining control over the Kanawha Valley, which was essential for the Union's strategic interests in the region. This engagement also intensified the internal conflicts among Confederate commanders, particularly between Floyd and Brigadier General Henry A. Wise, who blamed each other for the defeat.

Casualties

Union: 158 total (17 killed, 141 wounded)

Confederate: 30 total (20 killed, 10 wounded)



SKIRMISH AT FORT WAYNE

Civilwartalk

The Battle of Old Fort Wayne, also known as the skirmish at Fort Wayne, occurred on October 22, 1862, during the American Civil War, resulting in a Union victory against Confederate forces. This battle was part of the Trans-Mississippi Theater and took place in what is now eastern Oklahoma.

The skirmish at Fort Wayne was part of the

Trans-Mississippi Theater during the American Civil War. It involved Union forces led by Brigadier General James G. Blunt attacking Confederate troops commanded by Colonel Douglas H. Cooper.



The battle began early in the morning and saw the Confederates initially resist but ultimately retreat due to overwhelming Union numbers.

Following the battle, the Confederate forces retreated nearly 70 miles to Fort Gibson, allowing the Union Army to regain control of the Indian Territory north of the Arkansas River. This victory was significant for the Union, leading to Blunt's promotion to major general of volunteers.



MINE CREEK KANSAS

Civilwartalk

The Battle of Mine Creek, fought on October 25, 1864 near Pleasanton, Kansas, was a major Union victory during Price's Missouri Campaign of the American Civil War, resulting in the capture of Confederate generals and over 1,000 troops.

The Battle of Mine Creek occurred on October 25, 1864, near Pleasanton, Kansas, as part of Price's Missouri Campaign during the American Civil War. This battle was significant for the Union forces, marking a decisive victory against the Confederate Army of Missouri.

The Battle of Mine Creek was part of a series of engagements on the same day, including the earlier Battle of Marais des Cygnes. The Union forces, under the command of Brigadier General Alfred Pleasonton, successfully engaged the Confederate troops, who were attempting to retreat after their defeat at the Battle of Westport just two days prior.

Outcomes

The Union captured over 1,000 Confederate soldiers, including two generals.

The battle severely weakened the Confederate Army's ability to continue its campaign in Missouri.

It marked one of the largest cavalry engagements of the Civil War, showcasing the effectiveness of Union cavalry tactics.



Comments or suggestions may be sent to:
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BLACK BAYOU FESTIVAL



The Black Bayou Festival was held Saturday September 12th in Hosston,

Louisiana. A

parade was held and the Mechanized Cavalry and Sons of Confederate Veterans were represented well. Louisiana and Texas Camps including Mt. Enterprise, Marshall (Heartsill) and Gilmer (Upshur Co. Patriots #2109) took part.

Compatriots Jerry Akin and Newell Rambo were there from the Upshur Co. Patriots.



The photos below were taken by Compatriot Albert Colvin. Thanks to Compatriot Rex Russell.

