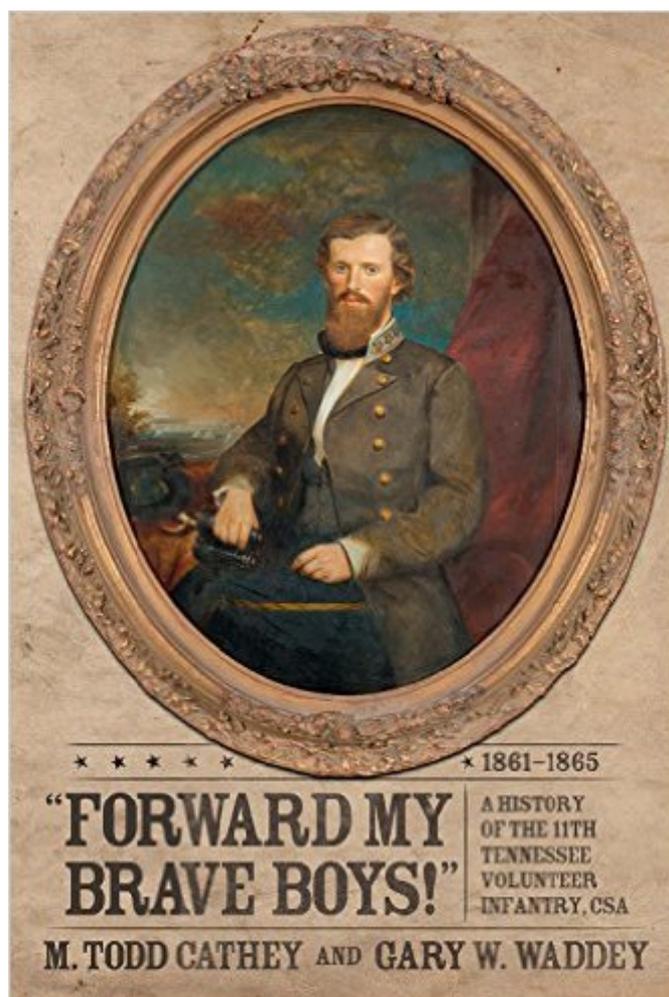


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Forward My Brave Boys! A History Of The 11th Tennessee Volunteer Infantry CSA, 1861-1865



Synopsis

FORWARD, MY BRAVE BOYS! tells the story of the 11th Tennessee Infantry, a unit comprised of ten companies of men raised from five Middle Tennessee counties in the early spring of 1861. Join these soldiers as they are transformed from raw citizens into a ferocious band of fighters, eventually becoming part of General Benjamin F. Cheatham's hard-hitting division. First sent to the Cumberland Gap as part of the Confederate defensive strategy, they were met with Unionist activity in East Tennessee, participated in early battles in Kentucky and stymied an impending Federal invasion through the Gap. As the war progressed, they habitually found themselves in the thickest fighting at Murfreesboro, Chickamauga, and Missionary Ridge, and held the "Dead Angle" at Kennesaw Mountain. The 11th took heavy casualties assaulting the Federal lines in the desperate fighting around Atlanta, and broke the Union defenses at Franklin in some of the war's most brutal hand-to-hand combat. Follow the survivors to Nashville for Hood's futile attempt to regain the Tennessee capital, and then continue on to Bentonville and their final surrender at Greensboro. This book takes the reader into their camps, on the march, and onto the line of battle through first-hand accounts taken from diaries, letters, and journals. Many never-before-published photographs of the soldiers, newly created battle maps, as well as an extensive biographical roster make this a valuable resource for historians and genealogists, and a great addition to the story of the Army of Tennessee and the war in the West.

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I waited for quite some time for the release of "Forward My Brave Boys!" and I was not disappointed! The authors exhaustively researched the history of the 11th Tennessee through historical documents and weave a fascinating narrative of life during the Civil War for the grunts who fought it. While I hoped for more information about my ancestor, Jason Figg, I realize that there is not much more known about him than is what is in the book. I spent several years trying to find his grave but I am convinced that he was one of the 3000 unknown Confederate Soldiers killed in the Battles of Peachtree Creek and Atlanta and buried beneath the Lion of the Confederacy in Oakland Cemetery in Atlanta. Thanks to the authors.

This book certainly did not disappoint me..and it was worth waiting for!! I have never read a book on one unit that was as thorough as this book. I love the fact that it takes the 11th all the way from the beginning of the war until war's end. First hand letters and comments were included and they too were in order with the battle discussed. The authors gave the names and history..before, during, and after the war..of the men of the 11th. It was a thrill to read about the battles as they occurred and the men's comments. My ancestors were included, and I really appreciate this. These authors have put so much time into this book. I can promise you that you will not regret purchasing this book. Every historian needs this book on their bookshelf. I wish there were more books written about separate units with as much information as this book.

This is an amazing work. Very detailed and informative. Great first hand accounts that bring the past to life.

Excellent and well-researched work on the 11th Tennessee. Well worth the read.

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