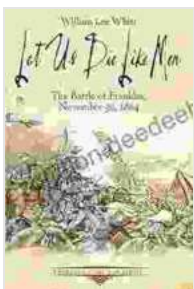


The Battle of Franklin: A Turning Point in the Civil War

The Battle of Franklin was one of the bloodiest battles of the Civil War, and it marked a turning point in the conflict. The battle took place on November 30, 1864, in Franklin, Tennessee, and it resulted in a Confederate victory. However, the victory came at a great cost, and the battle helped to pave the way for the Union victory at the Battle of Nashville two weeks later.

Background

In the fall of 1864, the Union Army was on the offensive in Tennessee. General William Tecumseh Sherman had captured Atlanta in September, and he was now moving his army towards Savannah. In response, Confederate General John Bell Hood decided to launch an invasion of Tennessee in an attempt to draw Sherman away from Georgia.



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Hood's army crossed the Tennessee River on October 30, 1864, and began marching towards Nashville. Union General George Henry Thomas was ordered to stop Hood's advance, and he concentrated his army at Franklin. Hood arrived at Franklin on November 30, 1864, and he immediately launched an attack on the Union lines.

The Battle

The Battle of Franklin was a bloody and brutal affair. The Confederates attacked the Union lines in waves, but they were unable to break through. The Union troops fought valiantly, and they inflicted heavy casualties on the Confederates.

One of the most famous incidents of the battle occurred when Confederate General Patrick Cleburne was killed. Cleburne was one of the most respected Confederate generals, and his death was a major blow to the Confederate cause.

The battle raged for hours, but eventually the Confederates were forced to retreat. The Union troops had successfully defended their lines, but they had paid a heavy price. The battle was one of the bloodiest of the Civil War, and it resulted in the deaths of over 8,000 soldiers.

Aftermath

The Battle of Franklin was a Confederate victory, but it came at a great cost. The Confederates lost over 6,000 men, and they were forced to retreat from Tennessee. The battle helped to pave the way for the Union victory at the Battle of Nashville two weeks later.

The Battle of Franklin was a turning point in the Civil War. It marked the end of the Confederate invasion of Tennessee, and it helped to set the stage for the Union victory in the war.

Legacy

The Battle of Franklin is still remembered today as one of the bloodiest battles of the Civil War. The battlefield is now a national park, and it is a popular tourist destination. The battle is also the subject of numerous books and articles.

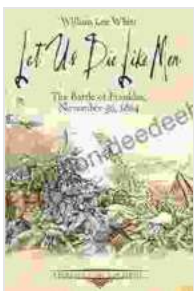
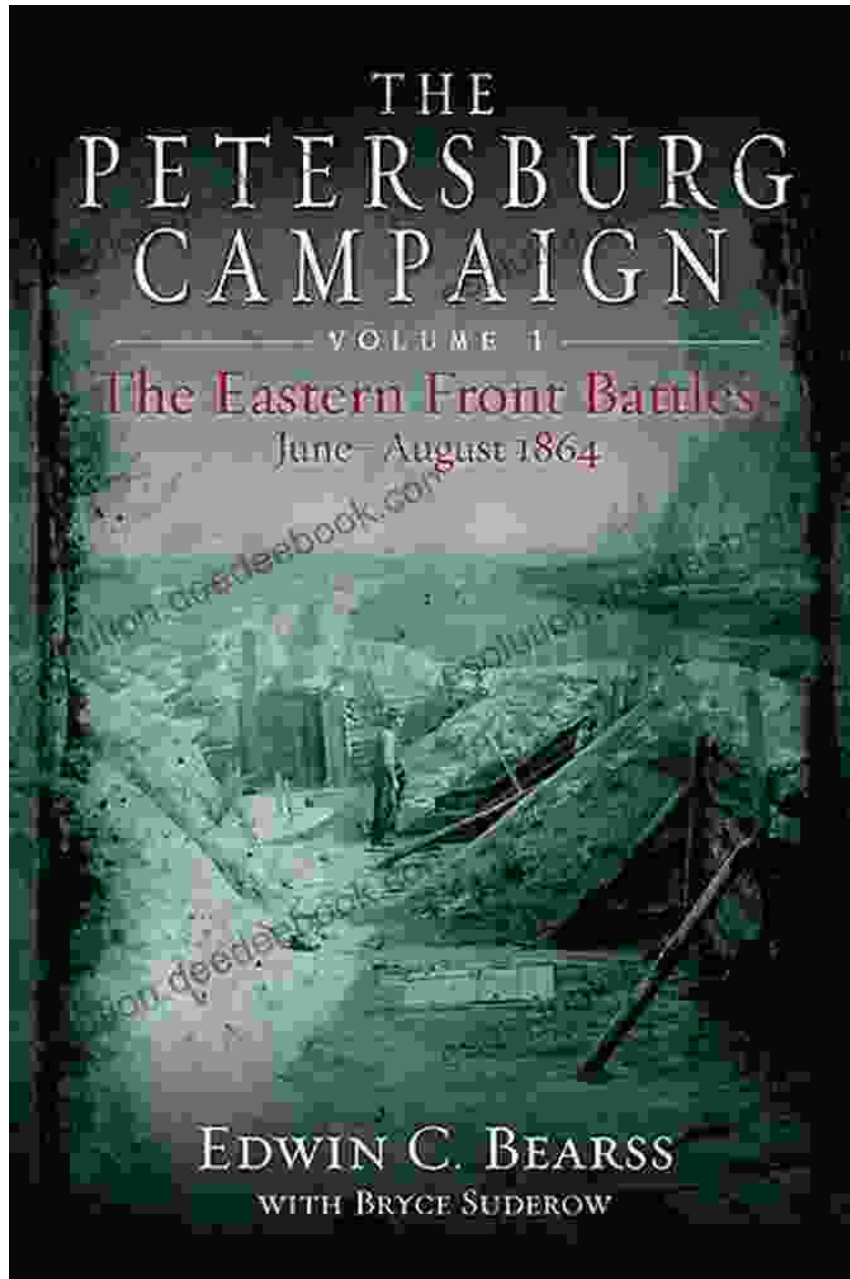
The Battle of Franklin was a tragedy, but it also helped to shape the course of American history. The battle is a reminder of the sacrifices that were made by both sides during the Civil War.

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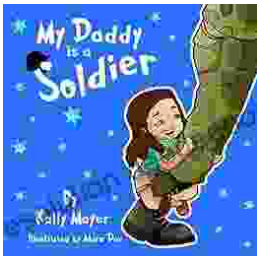


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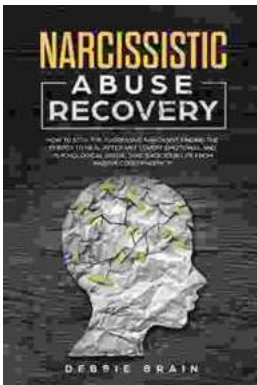
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