

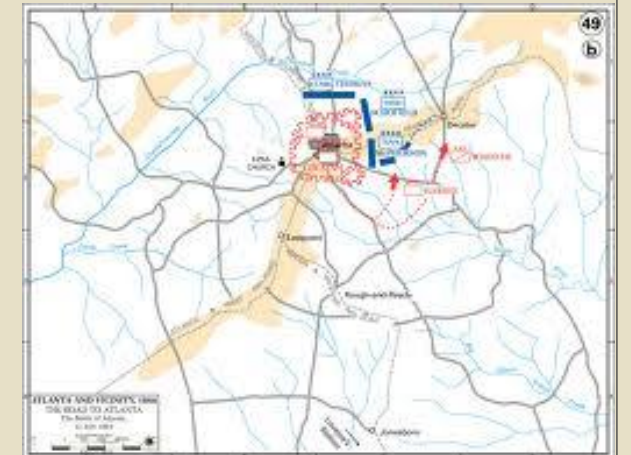


BATTLE OF ATLANTA

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Significance of the Battle of Atlanta

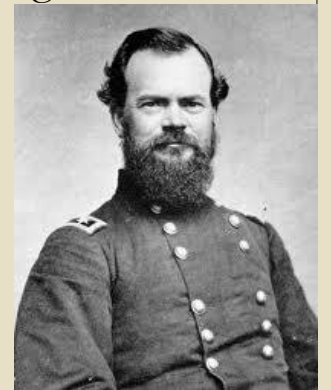
- The biggest significance of the battle of Atlanta is when the city was destroyed by William T. Sherman. Wrecking farms, railroads, bridges, and factories. The moral of the Confederacy was in turn destroyed. The Union army had nearly a 300 mile path of destruction across Georgia. This was also known as “Williams March to the Sea”.



Significant figures in the battle



- William T. Sherman
- James B. McPherson
- Sherman and McPherson were in the Union and their military strategy was to surround the city and trap everything in it.
- John B. Hood
- Hood who was in the Confederate and their military strategies were to keep the union from surrounding Atlanta and cutting off their supply lines



Outcome of the battle

- The Union won the battle due to Williams March to Sea which ended the battle many months earlier. They also won because they cut off the Confederate supply lines and destroyed everything in their paths. Their were 12,140 deaths (3,641 Union, 8,499 Confederate).



Significant dates

- July 22nd, 1864 the battle begins.
- The Battle of Resaca was fought May 13-15, 1864. This battle was leading to the capture of Atlanta.
- The Battle of Brice's Cross Roads was fought June 10, 1864. Advancing into Mississippi, Union forces encountered Maj. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest at Brice's Cross Roads. In the resulting Battle of Brice's Cross Roads, Forrest won a victory and captured a large number of prisoners.
- The Battle of Ezra Church fought on July 28, 1864. Confederates under General John Bell Hood make a third attempt to break General William T. Sherman's hold on Atlanta.



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