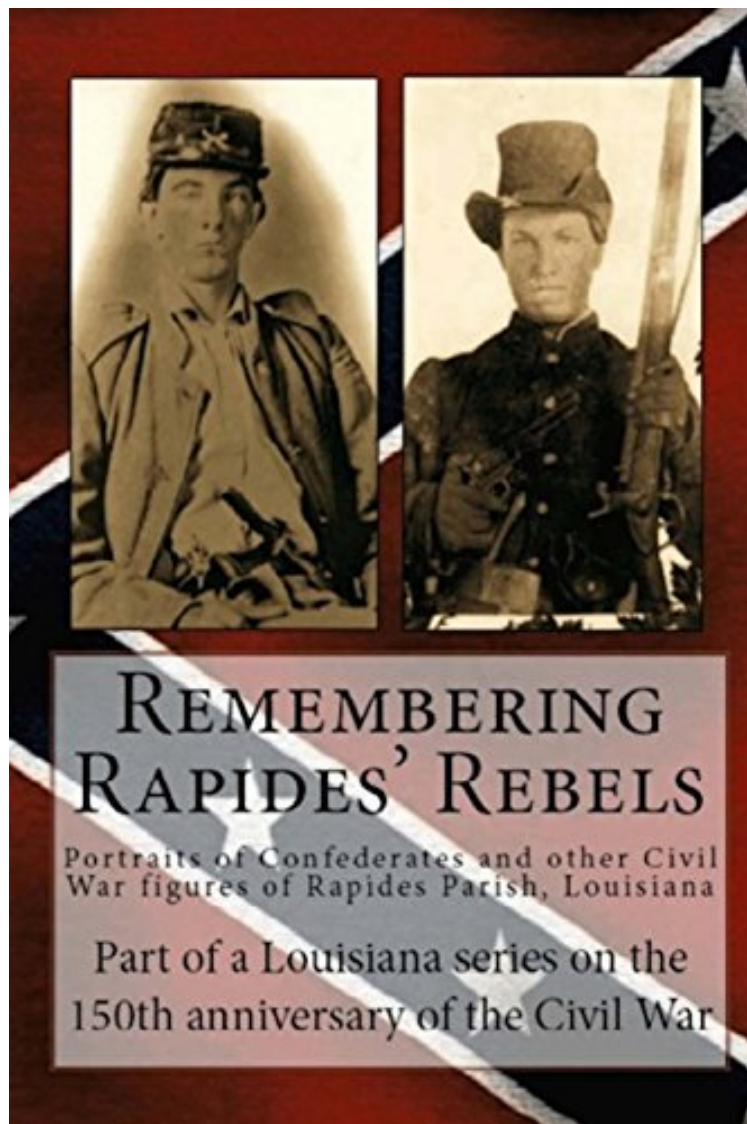


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Randy DeCuir DeCuir : Remembering Rapides Rebels: Portraits of Confederates and other Civil War figures of Rapides Parish, Louisiana before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Remembering Rapides Rebels: Portraits of Confederates and other Civil War figures of Rapides Parish, Louisiana:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Rapides Rebels CompiledBy William BozicThis book is a series of approximately 127 photographs (pre, post, and wartime) with one-page biographies of soldiers who served in or were from Rapides Parish (County) Louisiana. The daunting scope of the author's task to compile photos with biographies of so many men in this corner of the Trans-Mississippi Confederacy is monumental and clearly unfinished, but the reader will be pleasantly surprised to see the efforts in a handy book format. The city of Alexandria is located on the Red River in Rapides Parish where, according to the author, 14 companies were formed in the parish for service in the Confederate cause. Some notable Union men like General William T Sherman and Col. Joseph Bailey are covered in the book, but largely this is a compilation of men who served in the Confederacy making the images and biographies all the more rare. After a list of actions and Confederate companies created within the parish there are a few photos and prophetic notes about the war followed by an alphabetical list of the men. There are no page numbers used in the book, but the men are arranged in alphabetical order by surname. The biographies appear to have come from various submissions that sometimes provide stories which might not otherwise be found in the records. The tales of disaster and woe from each family are like reading a series of compact individual tragedies that put a face and family to the cost of the war. Records for the Trans-Mississippi Department of the Confederacy are hard to find because the Shreveport headquarters, with its records, was burned by Confederates at the end of the war. Rapides Parish records are also a challenge because Alexandria was burned May 13, 1864 under the direction and encouragement of Union General A.J. Smith. Lamentably there is no index, no bibliography, nor footnotes in the book. It can be surmised the combined service records, census, obituaries, individual family histories, and sometimes pensions were used to create the biographical data, and occasionally an individual is listed as the source.

4th Edition Over 1000 young men from Rapides joined the Confederacy during the Civil War. Since photography was in its infant stages most of these soldiers are faceless to us today. But there were many who took portraits. Some of the images are still around. The goal of this book is to put a face behind the Rapides names who served during this historic time of Central and the nation. Period and post war photos were located of over 90 young men from Rapides which make the basis of this book. The book includes a little biography and service record of each man. From the top brass of the generals to the private from the back bayou this book offers a chance to look into the eyes of a variety of Cenla soldiers. Soldiers include: ALLBRIGHT John Adrine ARCHINARD Capt. E. R. KIA ARMSTRONG Mr. Mrs. James M. BAILEY Joseph built dam BAILLIO Ferdinand Cav BAILLIO Sosthene Washington Art. BARKER Thomas Co. G 16th INF BASS David legislator BASS James Dr. Capt. 12th Inf BASS Jerimiah Co. C. 27th Inf. BEAUBOUEF Michel BENNETT Heber Boone's BENNETT Mansel Boone's BLACKMAN Asa Pineville 9th INF BLACKMAN Joseph A. 1st Trans BLACKMAN Wilmer BLUNDELL John Adam BOLTON George W. Banker BONNETTE Jasper M. Hinston BOYD David French Prof BOYCE Henry Archinard of Boyce BRASHER L. William Cons. Cres. Regt. BRIAN Benjamin F. Fishville BRINGHURST Robert 18th La. Inf BURGESS Austin Bayou Bouef BURNHUM Francis Sidney CARRIER Ozeme Jayhawker CHENEY Major Hampton CLARKE Powhatten LSU staff CLEMENTS Thomas Rebels 1st Cav COLEMAN Jesse Pollock Cons. Cres. COMPTON Dr. Samuel Gilbert CONNER John Wesley 14th TX Cav CONERLY Luke Ward MISS Co. E COOK Richard M. 28th INF CRYER Wade TX CUTTS James M Rapides Guards DAIGRE Henry Louis Co H 1 Cav Judge DAVID Andrew Pineville Postmaster DEVILLE Valentine 1st Bttn Scouts DUNN David William 12th Inf. DUPLISSEY Jerry Co. K 12th Inf DYESS Edmond 8th MISS INF EDDLEMAN John Capt. Rapides Home Gds EDWARDS Hiram 6th Cav ELDRED Eugene Boone's FOWLER William GARNER David GILL Hardy a Tiger GRAHAM General George of Tyrone Pl. HADLEY David Minden Blues HANDERSON Henry. Capt. Stafford Gds. HARPER William 28th INF HATCH Joseph Capt. Rapides Terribles HATCH John TX Battery HAVARD Capt. Stafford Collin's Scouts HICKMAN George W. Rapides Rebels HILMAN Riley 27th INF HONEYCUTT John Jeff. Grant Parish. HORTON William Boyce 26th S. HYNSON W. D. 1921 monument IRWIN William Davis Colfax JACKSON Joseph Warren 8th LA JARREAU Auguste Co. B 2nd INF JOHNSON Albert wife. TX INF JOHNSON Isaac JOHNSON William 3rd Cav JONSTON Josiah. Chief of Staff KEARY Patrick Capt. married to Pres. Davis' niece KEMP Elijah 3rd Cav KILPATRICK A. M POW Rapides KNOLL Jean Echo KRAMER Johan Shoemaker LaCROIX William Smith's Cav LECKIE Thomas Co. G 2nd Cav LOTT James 19th TX; 28th INF MADDEN James TX Cav MADDUX Charles Cres. Regt MADDUX Robert Corp. Capt. Benj' Cav. MANNING Thomas Brg. Gen. MARICLE Burrel 16th Cav MARTIN Robert II 8th INF MATTHEWS William Buried at Red River McCALL Henry C McCANN Fenwick Levi 1st Inf. McGREW James Calvin Co. K 31st INF MESSER Ferney 4th Florida Cav MILLTER Daniel 18th TX Cav MOORE Thomas Governor MUSTIAN Thomas Rapides Tigers NASH Harris Cons. Cres. Regt. O'BANION William 8th Cav OVERTON Thomas Capt. attorney PARISH Robert Methodist preacher PEARLEY Benjamin F. Sgt Rapides Rebels PICKLES John B. Bayou Bouef 1st Cav. POWELL Benjamin 33rd MISS INF RATCLIFFE Pardoned by Pres. Lincoln RAY George W. ROE Pleasant Sergeant 12th Inf ROE Samuel CSA Navy ROSENTHAL Jonas Jewish French Merchant SCHWARTZENBURG John E. SHERMAN William Gen. Pineville SIMMONS Edmond 14th INF STAFFORD Leroy Gen. KIA STAFFORD William Colonel STEPHENS George 6th Cav SIRMON Richard 24th AL TACKET Lewis 16th Battalion THORNTON J. R. 2nd Cav VOORHIES William Creole Chargers WALKER Orange 3rd INF

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