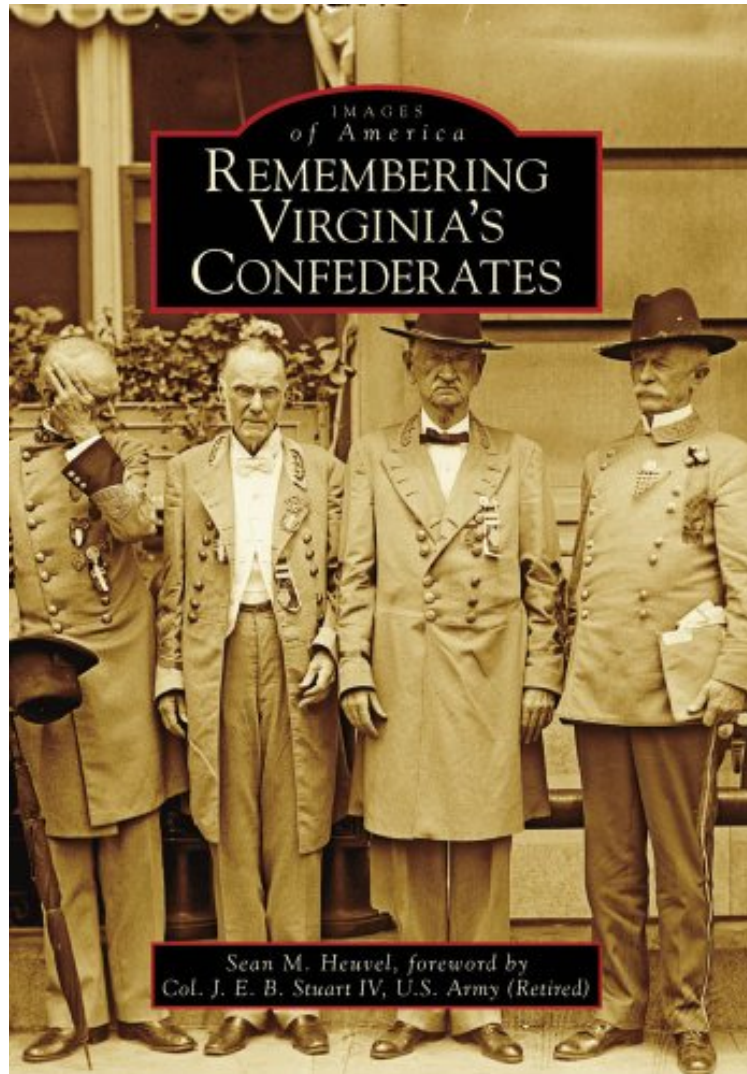


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Sean M. Heuvel : Remembering Virginia's Confederates (Images of America) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Remembering Virginia's Confederates (Images of America):

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. One of the best books on Virginia and its role in the Civil WarBy Derek P. HanakLet me address the critics and point out the superb aspects of this book. Now, I don't think a descendent of J.E.B. Stuart would lend his name and write a forward to a book that he thought was "inaccurate." Next, one-reviewer states that Colonel Mosby did not serve for General Grant after the war. To the contrary, in Grant's own autobiography he states, "Since the close of the war, I have come to know Colonel Mosby personally and somewhat

intimately. He is a different man entirely from what I supposed. He is able and thoroughly honest and truthful." (Grant, Ulysses S., *Personal memoirs of U.S. Grant ... Volume 2 of Personal Memoirs of U.S. Grant*. C.L. Webster Co., 1885. p. 142.) Therefore Professor Heuvel is correct. Furthermore, a reviewer states that Jackson "presented" Belle Boyd a Southern Cross of Honor. Once again, Professor Heuvel states only that she was awarded the medal for her ability to get vital information from Union soldiers and getting the information to the Confederacy. Being a student in history myself and graduating with a degree in history, I can tell the book is well written and researched thoroughly. The introduction also clearly states that this book is designed to give a "pictorial portrait of Virginians who contributed to the Confederate cause." The book's other goal is to describe the importance of Virginia's political, military, and personnel role in the Civil War. The pictures in the book are fantastic. I was inspired by the author to visit many of the places mentioned in his book. In addition, many of these people and historical sites I never knew existed. Besides the well-known soldiers such as Lee, Jackson, Stuart, Pickett, Longstreet, Johnston, I doubt most people could name any other soldiers in the Confederacy. Professor Heuvel does an excellent job in bringing to life little known soldiers of Virginia such as General Samuel Garland Jr, who was a descendent of President James Madison and played an active role in the war. To conclude, this book does exactly what it says it will do. Those who wish to find a comprehensive history of the Civil War need to look elsewhere. However, for those who want an interesting read about Virginia and Virginians in the Civil War, then this is the book for you. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Must for Every collection By Theresa Ireland I am delighted with this book. The collection of pictures is wonderful and there are a few people I'd never seen pictured before. The captions are interesting and right on. I didn't put it down from the time it arrived till I'd seen the last page. This book is a must for the collection of civil war buffs, but anyone would enjoy reading it. PS.. There is a picture of John Mosby... I always thought he was a hottie...! 3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Inaccurate By Glenn C. Martin Nice photos however info is misleading and at times just plain wrong. Would seem to be written more to make money than to record history. Examples, Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson did not present Confederate spy Belle Boyd with the Southern Cross of Honor. John Mosby did not serve as a political appointee of President Grant after the war. He served Hayes, McKinley and Roosevelt. Not for someone serious about the war itself.

The commonwealth of Virginia holds a prominent and distinguished place in American Civil War history. Home to the Confederacy's capital city of Richmond, more major battles were fought in Virginia than in any other state. The commonwealth also produced some of the war's most legendary and iconic figures, including Robert E. Lee, Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, and J. E. B. Stuart. *Images of America: Remembering Virginia's Confederates* explores the Confederate military and government service of a wide array of Virginia residents, ranging from the most prominent generals, politicians, and spies to little-known enlisted men. It also acknowledges their dedication and sacrifice to a cause in which they strongly believed.

Title: Author of a Book on Virginia's Confederates to Visit Author: Clint Schemmer Publisher: fredericksburg.com Date: 3/25/10 Curious about the Confederacy, and Virginia's role in it? But you're pressed for time, and don't want to commit to days of reading? Here's the book for you: "Remembering Virginia's Confederates," hot off the press at Arcadia Publishing. This slender, tote-friendly volume offers a pictorial history of key people and places that gave the Old Dominion its enduring reputation in America's bloodiest conflict. Author Sean M. Heuvel, a historian at Christopher Newport University, says he wanted to provide a quick glimpse into a wide range of enticing topics. His book, which Arcadia has paired with a handsome set of postcards of period images, admirably fills a gap in the literature. Heuvel will be at the Fredericksburg Area Museum this Saturday to sign copies of his work and meet people interested in the subject. "I tried to be very analytical, to take a little of the emotion and politics out of it," he said in an interview this week. "The war caused wounds that have yet to fully heal. And it's worth exploring why Virginia contributed so heavily to the Confederate war effort." With the sesquicentennial close at hand, I hope to help start a dialogue about the war's true causes and consequences--to examine it from different vantage points, and to explore what it meant to American society. Retired Army Col. J.E.B. Stuart IV encouraged and facilitated Heuvel's research, which unearthed a wide array of public and private collections. Stuart, the great-grandson of the famed Confederate cavalry general, penned a gracious foreword in which he acknowledges continuing divisions over the war and calls for greater understanding about how it affected "not only one particular group, but all of them--Northern, Southern, white, and black." Heuvel notes that many of Confederacy's top commanders hailed from Virginia, but also devotes chapters to lesser-known generals, enlisted men, Virginia politicians and the surviving veterans of the bloodshed. The South's underappreciated navy gets a nod, as do some Virginia women. The Fredericksburg area's Maury family and Brig. Gen. Hugh Mercer (grandson of the Revolutionary War patriot), Culpeper's A.P. Hill, and Westmoreland County's Lees all receive mention. In all, the book makes a good gift, and offers a great jumping-off place for further study of a fascinating time. About the Author Sean M. Heuvel is a faculty member at Christopher Newport University in Newport News, Virginia, where he teaches in the Department of Leadership and American Studies. He has spent several years researching Virginia's Civil War history and has compiled over 200 rare images for this volume from such sources as

museums, government archives, and private collections. A graduate of the College of William and Mary and the University of Richmond, Heuvel is also the author of Arcadia Publishing's Christopher Newport University.