

Petersburg National Battlefield



Gouverneur Warren



Maj. Gen. Gouverneur Warren

Born: January 8, 1830 in Cold Spring, New York

Died: August 8, 1882 in Newport, Rhode Island

Commander of the Union V Corps, Warren's men were engaged in most of the fighting at Petersburg. Criticized for being too cautious during the Battle of Five Forks, he was relieved of command after the battle ended. After the war, Warren requested, and finally received, a court of inquiry over his removal. The court convened in 1879 and cleared him of the principal charges - three months after his death.