

# On To Petersburg: Grant and Lee, June 15, 1864

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On June 15, 1864, the Union and Confederate armies clashed in a pivotal battle that would change the course of the Civil War. The Battle of Petersburg was the culmination of Ulysses S. Grant's Overland Campaign, a bloody and protracted series of battles that had pushed Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia to the brink of collapse. Grant's goal was to capture Petersburg, a key railroad junction that supplied Lee's army, and cut off his line of retreat.

Lee knew that the loss of Petersburg would be disastrous, so he dug in his forces and prepared for a long siege. The battle began on June 15 with a massive Union assault on the Confederate lines. The fighting was fierce, and the Union forces were initially repulsed. But Grant refused to give up, and he Free Downloaded a series of follow-up attacks that eventually overwhelmed the Confederate defenses.



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The Battle of Petersburg was a major victory for the Union. It gave Grant control of a key strategic location and cut off Lee's line of retreat. The siege of Petersburg would last for another nine months, but the battle on June 15 was the turning point of the war. Grant had finally broken Lee's hold on Virginia, and the Confederacy was now on the verge of collapse.

*On To Petersburg: Grant and Lee, June 15, 1864* is a gripping historical account of this pivotal battle. John C. Waugh, a noted Civil War historian, has written a meticulously researched and engagingly written book that offers a fresh perspective on one of the most important conflicts in American history.

Waugh's book is based on extensive research in primary and secondary sources. He has consulted a wide range of materials, including official records, diaries, letters, and newspapers. He has also conducted extensive interviews with historians and battlefield experts. The result is a book that is both authoritative and accessible.

*On To Petersburg* is divided into three parts. The first part provides a detailed overview of the Overland Campaign and the events leading up to the Battle of Petersburg. The second part offers a blow-by-blow account of the battle itself, from the initial Union assault to the final Confederate defeat. The third part examines the aftermath of the battle and its impact on the course of the war.

Waugh's writing is clear, concise, and engaging. He has a knack for bringing the past to life, and his descriptions of the battle are both vivid and

accurate. He also has a gift for storytelling, and he weaves together the personal stories of the soldiers who fought at Petersburg into a compelling narrative.

On To Petersburg is a must-read for anyone interested in the Civil War. It is a well-researched, well-written, and engaging account of one of the most important battles in American history.

### **Praise for On To Petersburg**

"On To Petersburg is a masterful work of historical scholarship. Waugh has written a definitive account of one of the most important battles of the Civil War. This book is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of this conflict." - James M. McPherson, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Battle Cry of Freedom*

"Waugh's account of the Battle of Petersburg is both gripping and informative. He has a gift for storytelling, and he brings the battle to life in a way that is both vivid and accurate. This book is a valuable contribution to the literature on the Civil War." - Gary W. Gallagher, author of *The Union War*

"On To Petersburg is a tour de force. Waugh has written a book that is both authoritative and accessible. This is a must-read for anyone interested in the Civil War." - Edward L. Ayers, author of *In the Presence of Mine Enemies*

### **About the Author**

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