

CW/VFM-90: Augustus Steffan

Augustus Steffan was the brother of Edward and John Steffan, both of whom fought at Gettysburg. John was an officer in the 71<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania Regiment, and was killed at Gettysburg. Having no news of Edward, and wishing to know where John was buried, Augustus traveled to Gettysburg.

## Account of Journey to Gettysburg after the Battle:

On July 6<sup>th</sup>, Steffan left for Gettysburg from Philadelphia traveling through Baltimore. Upon arrival, he traveled to an inn and rested; awaiting his chance to begin questioning people. After a short time, he found the surgeon attached to his brother's brigade and knew where he was buried. What he saw when he went to the battlefield was horrific. Wounded men lay dying in hospitals and on the fields, and even more astonishing were the bodies that lay uncovered on the battlefield.

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<u>Letter from Allen C. Colline to John Bakeless, 08/09/1963</u>:

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