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Meeting Notice

Hybrid In-person & Virtual

7:00 PM, Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Pennepack Baptist Meetinghouse

8732 Krewstown Rd, Phila, 19115

Topic: *Lest We Forget: Civil War Veterans Buried in Northeast Philadelphia*

Speaker: Walt Laft, Historian

This program will discuss many of the Civil War veterans buried in various cemeteries in Northeast Philadelphia. There are many interesting stories about these men and their war experiences. It will include prisoners of war, men killed and wounded, and even includes a few confederate soldiers buried in NE Philly. There are also a few whose homes are still standing. Many were fortunate to live to an old age, and some were members of the Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.) Those in the two G.A.R. posts in Northeast Philly will be discussed. Maps and Photos will be included.

Walt Laft is a historian with a focus on the American Civil War (1861-1865), but also World War 2, as well as the history of Ireland. He has been active in various Civil War groups for over 20 years. Those include the Delaware Valley Civil War Roundtable (CWRT) where he is a board member as well as a member of the preservation committee. He is also a member of Baker-Fisher Camp 101 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in Hatboro and serves as the camp secretary. In addition, he is a member of the Old Baldy CWRT, the General Meade Society, and the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) Civil War Museum in NE Philadelphia where he serves as the research administrator and volunteer.



For those attending virtually, a link will be sent out a day or two prior to the meeting. Please send a request for the zoom link to nephillyhistory@gmail.com or visit our [Facebook page](#).

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