

# Fort Donelson National Battlefield



# Mary Bickerdyke "Mother" to Wounded Soldiers

Following the February, 1862, Union victory at Fort Donelson, Mary "Mother" Bickerdyke was among the many women who searched the wintry battlefield, tending to both Union and Confederate wounded. She worked with Ulysses Grant and William T. Sherman throughout the Civil War, helping establish about 300 field hospitals.

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