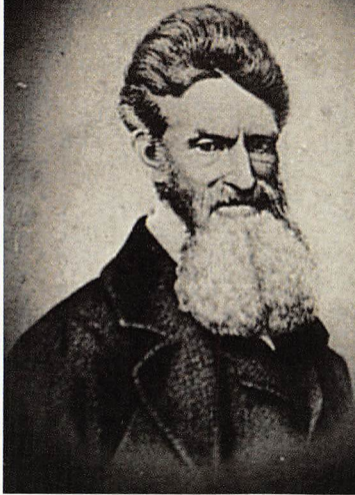


Harpers Ferry
National Historical Park



John Brown



John Brown - Abolitionist

Born: May 9, 1800 in Torrington, Connecticut

Died: December 2, 1859 in Charles Town, Virginia

John Brown launched his war to end slavery in Harpers Ferry. His mission to seize the arsenal's weapons and arm the slaves failed when he was captured only 36 hours after his raid commenced. Brown's subsequent trial and execution fanned the flames of disunion and led the nation toward civil war.