Lowell National Historical Park

Patrick Sarsfield Gilmore

Born: December 25, 1829 in Ballygar, Ireland Died: September 24, 1892 in St. Louis, MO Patrick Gilmore moved to Massachusetts in 1848 and formed Gilmore's Band In 1858, he married Nellie J. O'Neil in Lowell Gilmore's Band enlisted in the 24th Massachusetts Infantry and under Benjamin F. Butler's command played for the troops in New Orleans. During the war, Gilmore wrote When Johnny Comes Marching Home and is often considered the "Father of the American band."

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