Ocmulgee National Monument

Major General Joseph Wheeler

Winning Against Great Odds

With 2,000 troops, Wheeler was sent to Macon to defend the critical supply lines against Union attack during Sherman's March to the Sea in November 1864. Holding the high ground during the Battle of Walnut Creek, Wheeler's troops defeated 6,000 Union troops, allowing the Confederacy to control Macon until the end of the war.

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