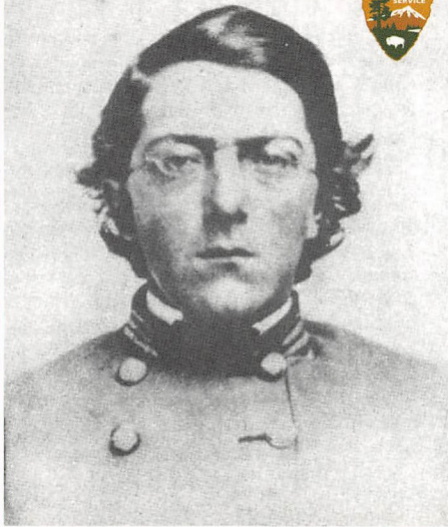


Petersburg National Battlefield



Willie Pegram



Colonel William Pegram

Born: June 26, 1841 in Richmond, Virginia

Died: April 2, 1865 in Dinwiddie County, Virginia

As a Virginia militiaman, “Willie” Pegram witnessed John Brown’s execution and joined the Confederate army after Ft. Sumter’s fall. At Petersburg he commanded a battalion of artillery and was wounded at the Battle of the Crater. On April 1st, 1865 he was mortally wounded at the Battle of Five Forks and died the next morning. To the end he believed God would see the Confederate cause through to victory.