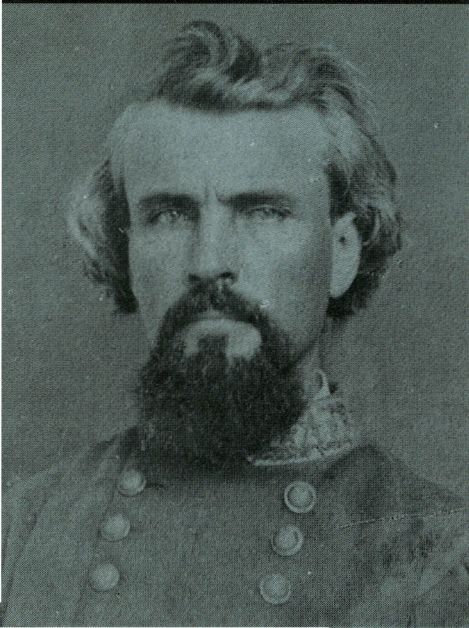


Fort Donelson National Battlefield



Nathan Bedford Forrest

Wizard of the Saddle

Among those to escape Fort Donelson before the Confederate surrender on February 16, 1862, was Lt. Col. Nathan Bedford Forrest of Tennessee. He would later fight in the area during the Battle of Dover in February 1863, another Confederate loss. His grasp of battle strategy and cavalry tactics earned him the nickname “the wizard of the saddle.”

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