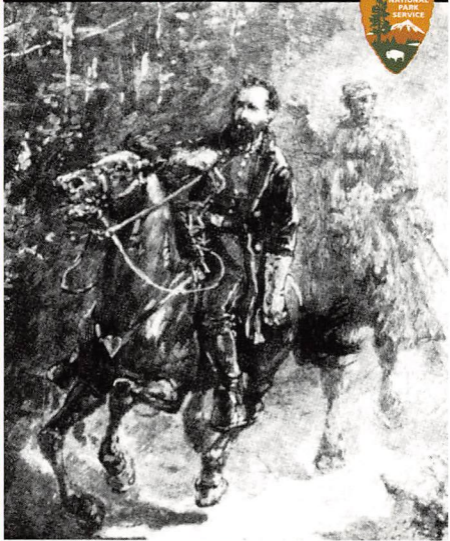


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*The Wounding of Stonewall Jackson*

The Battle of Chancellorsville - May 2, 1863

The most famous soldier to die during the Civil War was General Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson. On May 2, 1863, as the Confederate leader was returning from a nighttime scout between the lines during the Battle of Chancellorsville, he was shot by his own troops who mistook him for a Union horseman. He died eight days later. In 1888, Confederate veterans erected a monument at the spot where Jackson fell.