

Sheridan, Philip H.

(Born in Ohio. Appointed from Ohio.) Bvt. 2nd Lieut. 1st Inf., 1 July, 1853. 2nd Lieut. 4th Inf., 22 Nov., 1854. 1st Lieut., 1 March, 1861. Capt. 13th Inf., 14 May, 1861. Col. 2nd Mich. Cav., 25 May, 1862. Brig. Gen. Vols., 1 July, 1862. Maj. Gen. Vols., 31 Dec., 1862. Brig. Gen. U. S. A., 20 Sept., 1864. Maj. Gen. U. S. A. 8 Nov., 1864, for the personal gallantry, military skill, and just confidence in the courage and patriotism of his troops, displayed by him on 19 Oct., at Cedar Run, whereby, under the blessing of Providence, his routed army was reorganized, a great national disaster averted, and a brilliant victory achieved over the rebels for the third time in pitched battle within 30 days. The thanks of Congress were tendered to Maj. Gen. Philip H. Sheridan and to the officers and soldiers under his command, by joint resolution approved 9 Feb., 1865, for the gallantry, military skill, and courage displayed in the brilliant services of victories achieved by them in the Valley of the Shenandoah, and especially for their services at Cedar Run on the 19th day of Oct., 1864, which retrieved the fortunes of the day and thus averted a great disaster. Lieut. Gen., 4 March, 1869. Gen. 1 June, 1888. Com-in-chief of the Army, 1 Nov., 1883, to 5 Aug., 1888, Died 5 Aug., 1888.