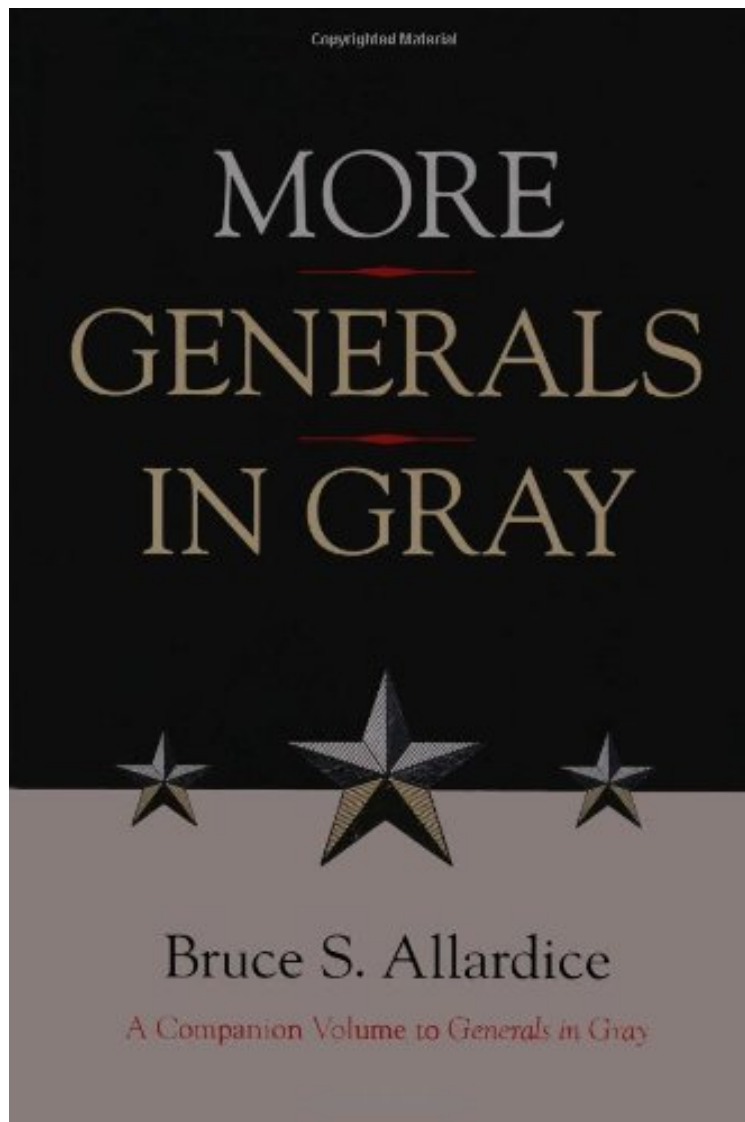


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Warner's superb "Generals in Gray" will immediately recognize the format and purpose of this book. I'm happy to report that this one is every bit as good as the older book. Allardice borrows Warner's format and expands on his methodology to include an additional 137 generals featured in this book. The major difference in methodology is that Allardice allows for men who achieved the rank of General in practice without actually being officially appointed as such by President Davis. Many of these men served in places that were far from the central theater's of action, such as Missouri, Texas, and even California. The format of the entries is identical to Warner's book. We get details about each man's birth, education and ante-bellum trade or career. Then we get the details of his wartime service, post-war life (if applicable) and death. Most entries include a small portrait of the man in question. It's all beautifully arranged and presented as a biographical encyclopedia. One distinguishing feature of this book is that it describes the lives of many men who were previously lost to obscurity. This book is an obvious companion volume to Warner's book. Both are absolutely essential for any Civil War scholar or enthusiast. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great book. But there were more Generals in the ...By CustomerGreat book. But there were more Generals in the Confederacy than what was in this book and the other book "Generals in Gray". Overall, the histories/information about the soldiers were good. 8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. More Generals in Gray -- Completes A PictureBy DANIEL E. WYATTI have owned and used Mr. Warner's classics Generals in Blue and Generals in Gray for over 40 years. Mr Allardice shows us the men appointed General by the various Southern States. This book proves the point the Government of the Confederacy was still having growing pains; the point being the generals from the Trans-Mississippi not being confirmed by the CSA Senate, in Richmond, Va. This is a great book for the Civil War Buff. It is a must need in your War Between the States Library.

In this masterpiece of research, a splendid supplement to Ezra J. Warner's *Generals in Gray*, Bruce S. Allardice brings to light a neglected class of officers: the Confederacy's "other" generals -- men who attained their rank outside the usual avenue of appointment by President Jefferson Davis and who had been virtually forgotten as a consequence. Explaining that the process of becoming a general was fraught with politics, lobbying, intrigue, accident, mismanagement, and chance, Allardice identifies six main categories of legitimate claimants to the rank of Confederate General -- two more than historians have traditionally recognized. He presents a substantial biographical sketch of 137 generals not found in Warner's original and a short bibliography of each. For the vast majority, this is the first treatment ever published.

From *Library Journal* Ezra J. Warner's *Generals in Gray* (1959), a landmark of Civil War scholarship, identified 425 men whose service as Confederate generals could be firmly documented. Applying Warner's rigorous criteria for qualification to the data generated by his own exhaustive research, Allardice, the secretary of the prestigious Chicago Civil War Roundtable, has concluded that another 137 soldiers should be recognized as Confederate generals. His work provides a detailed, well-documented biographical sketch for each officer, including a photograph, if available. An accompanying appendix lists another 132 candidates whose claims to general rank may yet be substantiated. This instant classic is a worthy companion to Warner's seminal work. It should be acquired by all libraries with an interest in Civil War history or Southern genealogy. ?Lawrence E. Ellis, Newberry Coll., S.C. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc. From *Booklist* It is a popular misconception that Confederate military forces were models of efficiency and dash, contrasting with Union forces hindered by bureaucratic bungling and political meddling. As Allardice illustrates, the same maladies plagued Confederate armies; the promotion procedure for generals was particularly cumbersome and subject to the whims of politicians within and without the military structure. In this series of biographical sketches, Allardice examines the careers of 137 of the more obscure Confederate generals, most of whom were appointed outside the usual process, which required approval of the Confederate Congress. While many of Allardice's subjects seem to have earned their obscurity, some are notable and rather intriguing personalities. His sketches are likely to interest both general readers and Civil War scholars. Jay Freeman From the Back Cover Bruce S. Allardice brings to light a class of officers never before covered in any book: the Confederacy's "other" generals. They are the men who attained their rank outside the usual avenue of appointment by President Jefferson Davis - and who have been virtually lost to history as a consequence. In his Introduction, Allardice answers in depth the question "Who was a Confederate general?" Explaining that the process of appointment was fraught with politics, lobbying, intrigue, accident, mismanagement, and plain dumb luck, he identifies six main categories of legitimate claimants to the rank of Confederate general - two more than historians traditionally have recognized. He thus redeems from obscurity the titles of 137 Confederate generals, men whose appointments went the nonpresidential route but whom, the evidence shows, contemporaries considered to be generals. For each of the 137, Allardice presents a substantial biographical sketch and a short bibliography. For the vast majority, this is the first treatment ever published. In about half the cases, he has traced the officer's descendants and obtained a wealth of new information and never-before-seen photographs. Among those "other" generals are the Confederacy's most famous naval hero, Raphael Semmes; its first war martyr, Francis Bartow; and "Rip" Ford, the commander of its forces in the last battle of the war. Allardice includes the most up-to-date research on Jeff Thompson (the "Swamp Fox"), Tom Munford, Henry Kyd Douglas, and more. He covers

many lesser-known leaders, too, shedding new light on little-studied aspects of the Civil War such as smaller campaigns and state armies and militias.