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Detail of The Ulysses S. Grant Memorial, located in front of the United States Capitol, on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. Grant was the General in charge of Union forces when the U.S. Civil War ended.

*How oft have I thought of home.
That place that I formerly so little appreciated.*

Thomas D. Newton
Confederate Soldier
May 28, 1862

Home. It was the place where Americans fought their deadliest war.

Mass slaughter ended the lives of 618,000 “Yanks” and “Rebs” who disagreed over issues like states’ rights and slavery. About 2% of the American population died. (That equates to more than 6.5 million people in 2017.)

Photographs at the U.S. National Archives and the Library of Congress depict the horror (like Gettysburg, famously memorialized by Abraham Lincoln) of America’s tragic internal conflict (summarized, in animated/video format, by the Civil War Trust). Thousands of extraordinary pictures have been digitized and are available for unrestricted use.

What does the evidence, held by America’s Official Archives, reveal?

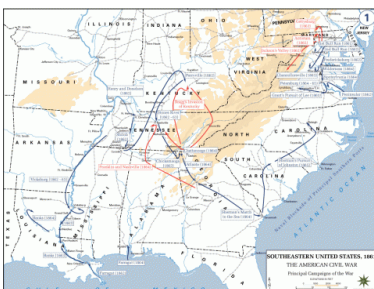
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American Civil War - Map, Principal Campaigns

Map online, courtesy United States Military Academy.

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Gettysburg Battlefield - Bodies on the Field

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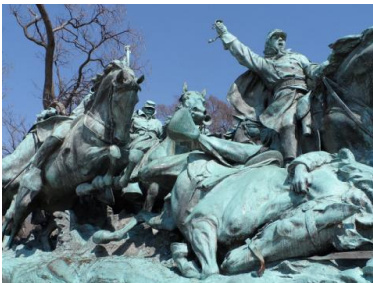
Abraham Lincoln - At Gettysburg

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