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License Plate Ridin' the Ridge for Battlefield Preservation

A battlefield preservation supporter visits Missionary Ridge in Chattanooga where on November 25, 1863, Confederates faced more than 50,000 Union soldiers storming their fortifications along the ridge. The Union line of attack extended from Rossville Gap near the Georgia border to the northern end of Missionary Ridge. This successful but piecemeal assault forced Confederates to retreat to Georgia, leaving Chattanooga to the Union.





At 50 acres, the Sherman reservation is the largest of the eight reservations and monuments along Missionary Ridge, and is the only area Confederates successfully held against General William T. Sherman's uncoordinated assault.

During the War, it was known as "Tunnel Hill," named for the 1859 railroad tunnel below the ridge. Today you can sometimes hear the distinctive whistle of a Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum steam locomotive as it passes through.

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