

# THE NATIONAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

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The NCWM is proud to present:

## "The Fate of a Confederate Deserter after Gettysburg"

With Dr. Pete Carmichael, Professor, Gettysburg College.

Date: Friday, November 2, 2018

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: The National Civil War Museum

On August 20, 1863, thirteen veteran soldiers from the 3rd North Carolina decided that they'd had enough of war. That evening, in the blackness of night, they picked up their rifles, slung on their cartridge belts, and escaped into the woods. From that point on there was no turning back.

Join Professor Pete Carmichael of Gettysburg College and learn why these soldiers deserted and what happened to them during their journey. This lecture will focus on the words of John Futch, one of the thirteen deserters. Though he was illiterate, Futch left a remarkable set of letters that he dictated to his comrades. Futch's powerful story puts us in the shoes of a deserter, enabling us to see his world after the devastating defeat in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. This speech is part of Dr. Carmichael's newest book entitled, *The War for The Common Soldier: How Men Thought, Fought and Survived in Civil War Armies*. Dr. Carmichael will be on hand to sign books after his presentation.

Admission to this special program is FREE to the public.

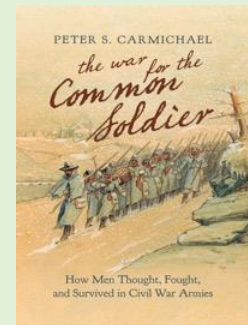
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**Book signing immediately following the presentation:**



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