

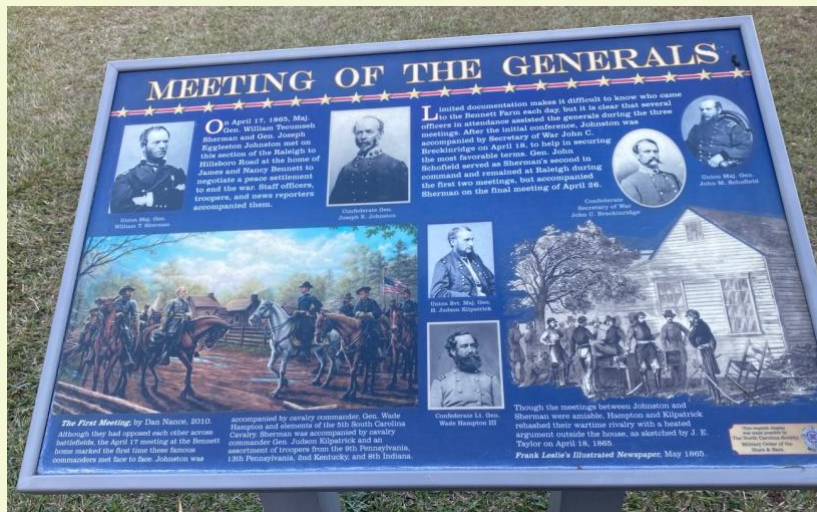
BENNETT PLACE HISTORIC SITE

4409 BENNETT PLACE, DURHAM

The American Civil War (1861-1865) was the bloodiest conflict on American soil. An estimated 620,000 soldiers from the Union and Confederacy (about 2% of the U.S. population at the time) died in this conflict. The war in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina came to an end at a farm owned by James and Nancy Bennett. The farm was located between Hillsboro and Raleigh off of Old Hillsboro Road in present day Durham. Union Major General William Tecumseh Sherman (headquartered in Raleigh) and Confederate General Joseph Eggleston Johnston (headquartered in Greensboro) met at the Bennett's farm in April 1865 to negotiate the Confederates' surrender. General Johnston surrendered on April 26, 1865, ending the Civil War. The historic site is maintained by the state of North Carolina.

THE SITE

The site is not large, and it has restored buildings and monuments memorializing the events that transpired here in 1865. There is a gift shop that has civil war history books and a good selection of homemade soaps. Here are some pictures we took at the site.



Plaque



Unity Monument dedicated on October 12, 1923



Bennett House on the left, Kitchen on the right and Smokehouse left of Kitchen



Kitchen



Smokehouse



Chimney – Bennett House

