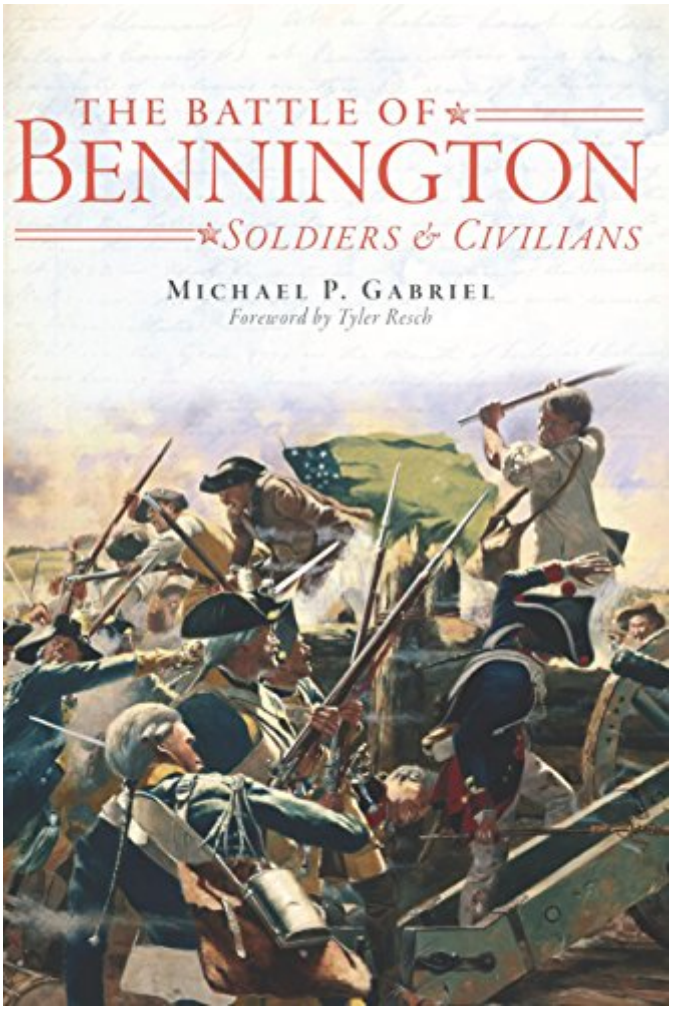
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Synopsis

On August 16, 1777, a motley militia won a resounding victory near Bennington, Vermont, against combined German, British and Loyalist forces. Â¬ This laid the foundation for the American victory at Saratoga two months later. Historian Michael P. Gabriel has collected over fifty firsthand accounts from the people who experienced this engagement, including veterans from both sides and civilians--women and children who witnessed the horrors of the battle. Gabriel also details a virtually unknown skirmish between Americans and Loyalists. These accounts, along with Gabriel's overviews of the battle, bring to life the terror, fear and uncertainty that caused thousands to see the British army as loved ones departed to fight for the fledgling United States.

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This book is easy to follow, nicely written! Good pictures as well.

The bringing together of the personal accounts from a variety of sources gives life to 240 year old event. The notes are of great value to family history researchers who discover that they, too, have a

connection to this history.

It is a very readable enlightening account regarding one of the most critical, albeit relatively small in number of combatants, military engagements in our early history, which ultimately changed the world. The personal accounts Mr. Gabriel incorporates in telling the story are absolutely engaging. These were real people!

very dry reading.

Most of this book is/are primary source accounts from both sides and the local inhabitants including some Tories. The description of the battle is short and to the point. It gives an orderly description of the battle. Well worth spending an hour or two on.It does mention a little discussed or mentioned post battle account where cattle was being moved back from NY to Bennington and a group of Loyalists fired on the Rebels. That is an insight into how vicious this War was with people spying and attacking each other for their politics.

Satisfied

Very good book.

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