

General Richard Stoddert Ewell  
February 8, 1817 – January 25, 1872  
Lizinka Campbell Brown Ewell  
February 24, 1820 – January 22, 1872

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Richard Ewell was born on February 8, 1817 in Georgetown, D.C., son of Dr. Thomas and Elizabeth Stoddert Ewell.

On February 24, 1820, in St. Petersburg, Russia, George Washington and Harriot Stoddert Campbell had a daughter who was given the name Lizinka after the Czar's wife Elizabeth. Following the deaths of three of their other children to Typhus in Russia, Campbell resigned and the family returned home. Lizinka grew up in Nashville and in 1839 married James Perry Brown. They had three children before he died in 1844.

Richard Ewell and Lizinka Campbell were first cousins, both being grandchildren of Benjamin and Rebecca Stoddert. Benjamin Stoddert was first Secretary of the Navy, appointed in 1798 by President John Adams. Richard Ewell was a West Point graduate but returned to Virginia to fight for the Confederacy when the Civil War broke out. Wounded at the Second Battle of Bull Run in August 1862, his leg had to be amputated. His cousin Lizinka travelled from Nashville to Richmond to help during his recuperation. They fell in love and were married on May 25, 1863 in Richmond. General Ewell returned to active duty and led the 2nd Corps during the battles at Gettysburg and Spotsylvania. He fought at Sailor's Creek, the last battle before the surrender of General Robert E. Lee at Appomattox.

After the war Lizinka and Richard Ewell lived on their farm in Spring Hill, Maury County, Tennessee, which she had inherited from her father. At the Ewell Farm, harness-racing horses and fine Jersey cattle were raised. Their lives ended at almost the same time on their farm at Spring Hill. Their funerals were held at Christ Church Episcopal, Nashville. They were buried two days apart at City Cemetery with Lizinka on January 24<sup>th</sup> and General Ewell on January 26<sup>th</sup> 1872. A handsome monument, designed by George Doyle of St. Louis, was placed over their graves.

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