



Significant Date:

Civil War and After (1860-1875)

Registry Year: 1986 Erected Date: 1983

Marker Location

Address: 8629 Reno Monument Rd

City: Middletown

State: **MD** *ZipCode:*

County:

Township:

Lat: 39.47062100 / Long: -77.61673400

Web URL:

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Stonewall Regiment

More than ninety thousand Michigan men served in the Union Army and Navy during the Civil War. The Seventeenth Michigan Volunteer Infantry Regiment was mustered at the Detroit Barracks in August 1862 under the command of Colonel William H. Withington. The regiment consisted of raw recruits from field, workshop, and schoolroom. One company was composed almost entirely of students from Ypsilanti Normal School, now Eastern Michigan University. With less than a month of military training, the Seventeenth left for Washington, D.C., on August 27, 1862. From there it was sent to the Maryland campaign. On September 14, a little more than two weeks after leaving the state and just three days before the Battle of Antietam, the regiment engaged in battle here.

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The Seventeenth Michigan Volunteer Infantry Regiment was among the units of General Ambrose E. Burnside's Ninth Army Corps that were engaged in battle here on September 14, 1862. The fighting began around 9:00 a.m. just south of this site. Around noon a Confederate battery opened fire on the regiment, which was supporting Cook's Massachusetts Battery. The Seventeenth held its position for several hours. At 4:00 p.m. the command was given for an assault along the entire Union line. The Confederates came out of the woods to meet the charge at a fence line in the middle of the field, then moved back to the stone walls along the crest of the hill. The seventeenth advanced and captured the stone walls. Of the five hundred men of the "Stonewall Regiment" engaged in battle here, 27 were killed