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THE REMARKABLE STORY OF GEORGE WASHINGTON'S YOUNGEST GENERAL

Wilmington, DE— Nathanael Greene acquired his knowledge of the military arts from books and on-the-job experience. At thirty two he was by far the youngest general in the army but was still given the enormous job as quartermaster. Then, promoted to the field, he lost most battles.

Nevertheless, his campaign that eventually won the South for the revolutionary cause is generally acclaimed to have been the most brilliant and daring of the entire war. When asked who he would most want to replace him in the event he should be incapacitated, General Washington without hesitation chose Nathanael Greene.

This is a fresh and authoritative look at a hugely influential but largely forgotten figure, General Nathanael Greene, who next only to George Washington was the most important American hero in the War for Independence. This brief but masterful biography restores Greene to his rightful place of honor through captivating narrative and attention to detail.

In *Rise and Fight Again: The Life of Nathanael Greene*, award-winning military historian Spencer Tucker tells the extraordinary story of Greene's rise from obscurity to military prominence at the tender age of thirty-two.

Tucker's careful study of Greene's voluminous personal correspondence allows him to reveal the full dimensions of the general's remarkable character. The portrait that emerges is of a dynamic man of commanding leadership and indefatigability, a man who constantly wrestled with pride and ambition but who nonetheless displayed unfailing loyalty to, and concern for, his men.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

"Tucker restores this unjustly neglected leader to his rightful place in the pantheon of America's generals. Based largely on primary sources and judicious in its judgments, this volume will stand as the finest compact biography of this skilled commander."—**Malcom Muir**, *Conquest Chair of Military History, Virginia Military Institute*

"This finely wrought biography, certain to stand long as the definitive interpretive study of Greene, adds significantly to our understanding of leadership in the Continental Army and American victory in the southern states."—**James C. Bradford**, *Texas A&M University*

Spencer C. Tucker has written or edited thirty books on military and naval history. He is the recipient of two John Lyman Awards from the North American Society for Oceanic History for best books in naval history, the Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin Roosevelt Award for best book in naval history in 2004 for his biography of Captain Stephen Decatur, Jr., and his five-volume encyclopedia of the Cold War won the 2008 Society of Military History Award for best reference work. He taught for thirty years at Texas Christian University before holding for six years the John Biggs Chair in Military History at the Virginia Military Institute.