



# The Gen. Gordon Dispatch

The Gen. John B. Gordon Memorial Camp #1449  
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## March 2011

### Featured Business



Our Compatriot owned business this month is **Doug's Small Engines**. It

is owned and operated by Compatriot Doug Dudley.

It is a small engine repair business and Doug sells Echo and Poulan products. He also sells parts for all major brands.



Address: 30 Industrial Drive, Zebulon, Ga.

Phone: 770-567-0094.

### A Veteran's Desire....



*Who knows but it may be given to us, after this life, to meet again in the old quarters, to play chess and draughts, to get up soon to answer the morning roll call, to fall in at the tap of the drum for drill and dress parade, and again to hastily don our war gear while the*

*monotonous patter of the long roll summons to battle? Who knows but again the old flags, ragged and torn, snapping in the wind, may face each other and flutter, pursuing and pursued, while the cries of victory fill a summer day? And after the battle, then the slain and wounded will arise, and all will meet together under the two flags, all sound and well, and there will be talking and laughter and cheers, and all will say: Did it not seem real? Was it not as in the days of old.*

**Sgt. Berry Benson**  
Company H, 1st South Carolina Infantry

### Camp Work Day

**When:** Friday, March 25

**Time:** 5:00 p.m.

**Place** Glenwood Cemetery, Thomaston, Ga.  
Confederate Section

**Work to be done:** paint Southern Crosses of Honor. Any questions, contact Chaplin Ed Rainey

### Upcoming Meeting

**When:** Tuesday, March 22

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Place:** Thomaston - Upson Archives Building

**Speaker:** Mr. George Martin, author of *I Will Give Them One More Shot*

**Program:** His newly released book on Ramsey's First Georgia Volunteer Infantry Regiment. Mr Martin will bring books to sell.

*"... I must commit to your hands, upon the field, the flag of Georgia, and the honor of Georgia. In your custody I know that the one will ever wave victorious, and the other will never be tarnished. While the eyes of a million of persons in Georgia will be anxiously turned towards you, the prayers of our churches, our mothers, our wives our daughters, and our sisters will constantly attend you. None will contemplate your defeat, but the hearts of all will leap with joy at your success. Take then that flag in your hands, and remember that, in the presence of this vast audience, I here commit the honor of Georgia to your keeping."*

**Gov. Joseph E. Brown** addressing the First Georgia after the regiment's formation.