

Danville National Cemetery  
277 North First Street  
Danville, Kentucky 40442

### Description

The Danville National Cemetery, established in 1862, is located within the Bellevue Cemetery in Boyle County. The national cemetery site, located in the northwest corner and containing 0.3 acre, consists of 18 cemetery lots laid off in the form of a rectangle. Near the center of the north side is a bronze plaque inscribed with "Danville National Cemetery" and the seal of the Veterans Administration (now the Department of Veterans Affairs). A square limestone post, with the letters "U. S." inscribed on the upper face, is situated at each corner of the national cemetery. A flagpole, 70 feet high, constructed in 1971, is located just south of the bronze plaque identifying the national cemetery. There are no buildings, walls, or fences within the national cemetery. Graves are marked with upright marble headstones.



### Civil War Activity in Area



During the early months of 1863, Confederate detachments continued to infiltrate among the Union garrisons trying to protect Kentucky. On March 24, 1863, the city of Danville was captured by General John Pegram and his cavalry brigade, despite stout resistance from Colonel Frank Wolford, commander of the First Kentucky Union Cavalry.

Danville was also the site of several hospitals which cared for the Civil War wounded.