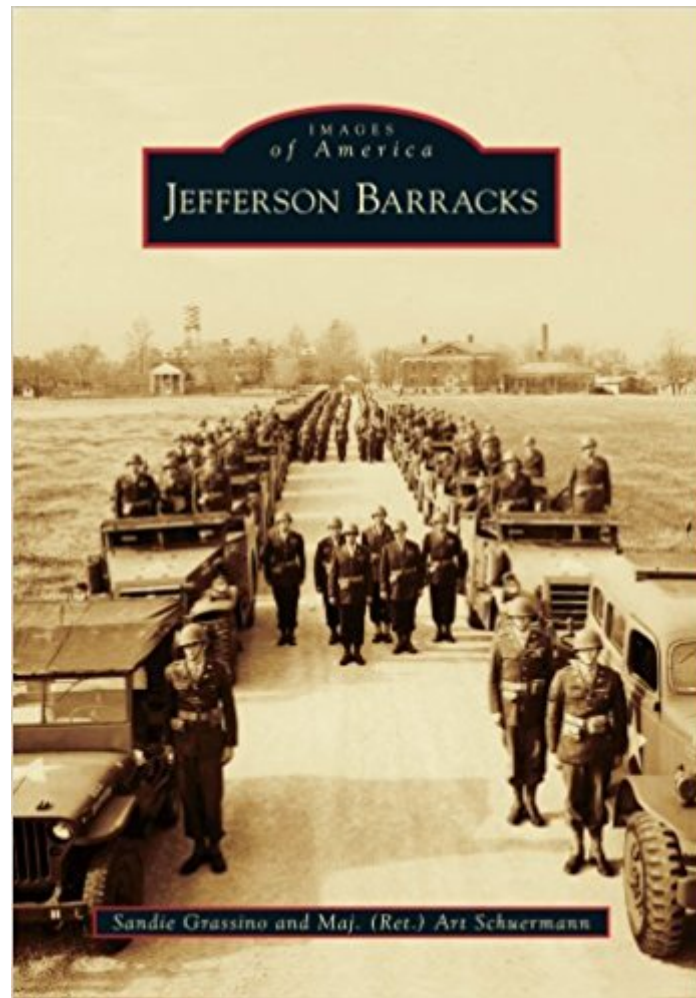




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Since it was founded in 1826, Jefferson Barracks has stood for nearly two centuries as a symbol for many aspects of America's history. Many explorative expeditions in the 19th century launched from Jefferson Barracks, an iconic gateway to the West during the country's expansion. A training ground for new programs, Jefferson Barracks was the home of America's first permanent Dragoons (later the United States Cavalry), first School of Infantry, and first regiment of buffalo soldiers. The largest induction and mustering-out center during both the First and Second World Wars, it housed and trained a myriad of soldiers before and after their deployments. Now the home of the Missouri Air National Guard, a Veterans Administration hospital, Jefferson Barracks Historic Park, a national cemetery, and a growing museum district, Jefferson Barracks is preserving its place in history as well as serving toward America's future. The historic images in this book illustrate a rich history of Jefferson Barracks through some of its citizen soldiers—famous and not—and through the incidents that made it an American icon.

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Sandie Grassino, a retired educator, is a local historian and writer. Maj. (Ret.) Art Schuermann is currently the historic preservation officer for Jefferson Barracks Air National Guard Station. This is their first book together.

Jefferson Barracks was opened in the early 1820's. Many of our West Point Cadets spent time at Jefferson Barracks after graduating. Many North and South Generals during the Civil War spent time there. Excellent old pictures of Jefferson Barracks. A National Cemetery is also here. Very well written from its opening through WWII.

Actual photographs and stories from the 19th and 20th Centuries give a comprehensive and entertaining look into historic Jefferson Barracks. If you are interested in United States Military History this is a must read for you. Go forth and enjoy.

Bought this as a birthday present for my dad who grew up in the area during World War II. He loved it!

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