

# The Untold Story of Private Donald Campbell: A Hero of the 92nd Foot from 1803 to 1822

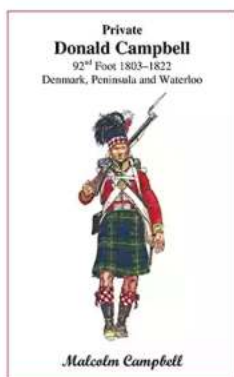


Private Donald Campbell was a remarkable soldier who served in the 92nd Foot regiment from 1803 to 1822. Born in a humble village in Scotland, Campbell's journey in the military took him to places he never imagined, and his courage and dedication made him a true hero. Today, we unveil the untold story of this

incredible man and shed light on his remarkable contributions to the regiment and his country.

## Joining the 92nd Foot Regiment

At the age of 18, Campbell enlisted in the 92nd Foot regiment, also known as the Gordon Highlanders, a prestigious Scottish infantry unit. The regiment was renowned for its bravery and was often at the forefront of battles during the Napoleonic Wars. Campbell's decision to join the army and defend his country was fueled by a deep sense of patriotism and a desire for adventure.



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During his early years in the regiment, Campbell quickly earned a reputation for his exceptional skills on the battlefield. He excelled in marksmanship and hand-to-hand combat, becoming a valuable asset to his comrades and a thorn in the side of the enemy. Whether he was storming enemy fortifications or leading daring reconnaissance missions, Campbell's determination and fearlessness were unmatched.

## **Heroic Exploits in the Battlefield**

Private Campbell's most memorable exploits took place during the Battle of Waterloo in 1815. As part of the 92nd Foot regiment, he fought alongside British and allied forces against Napoleon Bonaparte's army. This historic battle witnessed some of the bloodiest and fiercest fighting in military history.

During the battle, Campbell displayed tremendous courage and resilience. Despite facing heavy casualties and overwhelming odds, he relentlessly fought to protect his comrades. His leadership skills played a crucial role in rallying the troops and turning the tide of the battle. When the battle concluded, the 92nd Foot regiment emerged victorious, and Campbell's exceptional bravery was recognized by his superiors and fellow soldiers.

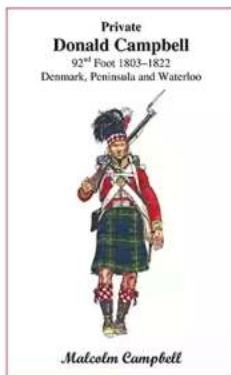
## **Post-War Contributions and Legacy**

After the Battle of Waterloo, Campbell continued to serve in the 92nd Foot regiment until his retirement in 1822. Throughout his military career, he was involved in several campaigns and skirmishes, each showcasing his unwavering loyalty and courage.

Upon returning home, Campbell settled back in his village and was hailed as a local hero. He dedicated his life to supporting military veterans, providing assistance to wounded soldiers, and ensuring they received proper care and recognition for their sacrifices.

Campbell's legacy lives on in the annals of military history, and his name is honored alongside other greats who fought for the freedom and safety of their countries. His leadership, bravery, and unwavering commitment to duty serve as an inspiration to generations of soldiers who came after him.

Private Donald Campbell was a true hero of the 92nd Foot regiment from 1803 to 1822. His exceptional courage, leadership, and dedication to his country continue to inspire us today. His remarkable journey from a small village in Scotland to the battlefields of the Napoleonic Wars is a testament to the indomitable spirit of individuals who put their lives on the line for the greater good. Let us remember and honor the legacy of Private Donald Campbell, a hero whose sacrifice and bravery will never be forgotten.



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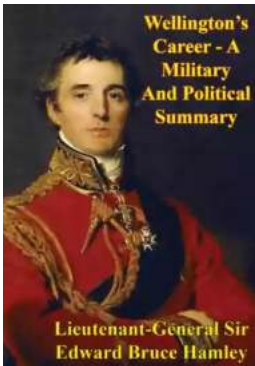
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This book, written by Private Donald Campbell's great great grandson, describes the dramatic events and experiences during Donald's lifetime in historical context from military records and contemporary accounts, and is projected through the eye-witness diaries of those in his battalion and brigade.

Donald was born in 1784 in Teangue, Parish of Sleat, Isle of Skye, Scotland, where he lived as a crofter. At the age of 19 he signed-on for 'unlimited service' in the 92nd Regiment of Foot (the Gordon Highlanders) in 1803 when war was declared on Napoleonic France.

He fought during the Danish Expedition, the Peninsular War, and at Waterloo. Donald was wounded on three occasions, but he remained on active service with his battalion. He was awarded five clasps with his General Service Medal, and also received the Waterloo medal. In 1822 he was discharged in Port Royal, Jamaica where many had died of yellow fever during the preceding 3 years. Donald returned to Teangue, Isle of Skye as a Chelsea out-pensioner, receiving an army pension of one shilling per day, and continued his life as a crofter. He experienced the extreme trauma of campaigning, witnessed the horrors of war, survived wounds and diseases, and became one of 'The Brave Sons of Skye'.



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