

INVENTORY OF CONFEDERATE STREET NAMES IN ALEXANDRIA, VA

This Inventory of Confederate Street Names in Alexandria, VA is based on research by the Office of Historic Alexandria in 2016 and 2021. Sources include the City's 1953 ordinance on street naming, [documentation of re-namings in Code Sec. 5-2.66](#), post-annexation maps of Alexandria's West End, and newspaper articles.

The list below is categorized by (1) streets re-named in the 1953 ordinance, (2) streets identified that recognize confederate soldiers that were not named through the 1953 ordinance, (3) streets that are potentially named for confederate soldiers but have not been confirmed and require further research.

Streets Named for Confederates through the 1953 Ordinance.

1. **Beauregard Street** – Named for Pierre G.T. Beauregard, General, CSA; designer of the Confederate “Battle Flag.”
Named South Walter Reed Drive until 1953.
2. **Bragg Street** – Named for Braxton Bragg, General, CSA
Had no other name prior to 1953.
3. **Breckinridge Place** – Named for John Cabell Breckinridge, elected Vice President of the United States in 1856; later served as Brigadier General, CSA
Was named No. Beauregard between 1953-1969. Prior to 1953, was known as Route 613.
4. **Calhoun Avenue** – Named for J. Lawrence Calhoun, Major, CSA
Named Patton Boulevard until 1953.
5. **Chambliss Street** – Named for John Randolph Chambliss, Jr., Brigadier General, CSA
Named Seminary Drive until 1953.
6. **Dearing Street** – Named for James Dearing, the last Confederate general to die in battle.
Named Brad Lee Street until 1953.
7. **Donelson Street** – Named for Daniel Smith Donelson, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Ft. Worth Drive until 1953.
8. **Early Street** – Named for Jubal A. Early, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name was Fort Williams Dr. & Major Barbara Street and part of Old Mill Road until 1953.
9. **Floyd Street** – Named for John Buchanan Floyd, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Sandy Drive until 1953.

10. **French Street** – Named for Samuel Gibbs French, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Cornelia Drive until 1953.
11. **Frost Street** – Named for Daniel Marsh Frost, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Crawford Street until 1953.
12. **Gordon Street** – Named for John Brown Gordon, General, CSA
Named Diesel Road until 1953.
13. **Imboden Street** – Named for John D. Imboden, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Bertland Street until 1953.
14. **Iverson Street** – Named for Alfred Iverson, Jr., Brigadier General, CSA
Named Highview Drive until 1953.
15. **Jordan Street** – Named for Thomas Jordan, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Donmanton Blvd until 1953.
16. **Pegram Street** – Named for John Pegram, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Valley Lane until 1953
17. **Rosser Street** – Named for Thomas Lafayette Rosser, Major General, CSA
Named King Blvd. until 1953.
18. **Van Dorn Street** – Named for Earl Van Dorn, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Lincolnia Road until 1953.
19. **Wheeler Avenue** – Named for Joseph Wheeler, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Old Mill Road until 1953.
20. **Stevens Street** – Named for Clement Hoffman Stevens, Brigadier General, CSA; or
Walter Husted Stevens, Brigadier General, CSA (and chief engineer of the Army of
Northern Virginia)
Named Davis Avenue until 1953
21. **Stevenson Avenue** – Named for Carter Littlepage Stevenson, Brigadier General, CSA
Identified as Service Road Number 4 until 1953

Streets named for Confederate Soldiers, but not identified in the 1953 ordinance.

22. **Armistead Street** – Named for Lewis Addison Armistead, General CSA; Armistead was
married at Christ Church, Alexandria.
Previous name not identified at this time.
23. **Forrest Street** – Named for Nathan Bedford Forrest, General, CSA; or for French
Forrest, Confederate navy commander and builder of the CSS ironclad *Virginia*

Named Pitts Avenue in the original subdivision in 1909, was changed to Forrest by the 1941 plat.

24. **Hardee Place** – Named for William Joseph Hardee, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
25. **Jackson Place** – Named for James W. Jackson, CSA defender who killed Union Col. Elmer E. Ellsworth at the Marshall House during the Federal occupation of Alexandria on May 24, 1861, and was then killed by one of Ellsworth's soldiers.
The 1941 Fire Map labels this as Adams Avenue.
26. **Janney's Lane** – Named for Eli Hamilton Janney, Major, CSA; owned property along that roadway in Alexandria
If there was a previous name, it has not been identified at this time.
27. **Jenkins Street** – Named for Micah Jenkins, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
28. **Kemper Street** – Named for James Lawson Kemper, Major General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
29. **Lee Street** – Originally Water Street, was renamed in memory of Robert E. Lee of Virginia in March 1874 by a quorum of City Council members. In June 1873, City Council had voted to change the name to Pleasant Street, as Water Street had a bad reputation in other jurisdictions. The name change was spearheaded by Confederate Col. David Lowe Smoot who served under Lee.
30. **Longstreet Lane** – Named for James Longstreet, Lieutenant General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
31. **Marshall Lane** – Named for either Humphrey Marshall, Brigadier General, CSA; or Charles Marshall, Colonel, CSA and aide to General Robert E. Lee
Previous name not identified at this time.
32. **Maury Lane** – Named for Matthew Fontaine Maury, Chief of Sea Coast, River and Harbor Defenses for the Confederacy; in 1850s attempted to eradicate slavery from the United States by re-settling enslaved people in the South to South America.
Previous name not identified at this time.
33. **Morgan Street** – Named for John Tyler Morgan, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
34. **Mosby Street** -- Named for John Singleton Mosby, Confederate cavalry battalion commander
Named Myrtle Avenue in the original subdivision in 1909, was changed to Forrest by the 1941 plat.

35. **Paxton Street** – Named for Elisha Franklin Paxton, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
36. **Pickett Street** – Named for George E. Pickett, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
37. **Quantrell Avenue** – Named for William Clark Quantrell, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
38. **Ripley Street** – Named for Roswell Sabine Ripley, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
39. **Stonewall Road** – Named for Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson, General, CSA
Named Arlington Avenue on 1921 Sanborn Fire Map.
40. **Walker Street** – Named for Reuben Lindsay Walker, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.
41. **Whiting Street** – Named for William Henry Chase Whiting, Brigadier General, CSA
Named Lincolnia So. Yoakum St. (westwardly from So. Whiting St. to termination) until 1972

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Note: *All street names on this list require further research to confirm attribution.*

Cockrell Avenue – Possibly named for either Francis Marion Cockrell, Brigadier General, CSA, or Cockrell family property in Alexandria
There is no previous name to this street.

Davis Avenue – Possibly named for Jefferson Davis, former president of the Confederacy.
Prior to 1953, there was a different Davis Avenue that was re-named Stevens Street on the west end on Alexandria.

**Davis Avenue had previously been listed in the list of confirmed names as there had been confusion in its association with a “Davis Ave” shown in the 1953 Ordinance 769. There is no confirmation at this time that the Davis Ave located between Braddock Road and Crestwood Drive is named for Jefferson Davis.*

Frazier Street – Possibly named for James Frazier, Colonel, CSA
There is no previous name to this street prior to 1953.

Gorgas Place – Possibly named for Josiah Gorgas, chief of ordnance for the Confederacy, and later Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Griffith Street – Possibly named for Richard Griffith, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Hampton Drive – Possibly named for Wade Hampton, Confederate cavalry officer promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General
Named Valley Drive until 1953.

Herbert Street – Possibly named for Arthur Herbert, Colonel, 17th Virginia Regiment, CSA; with John W. Burke, he established the banking firm of Burke & Herbert in 1852
If there was a previous name, it has not been identified at this time.

Hume Avenue – Possibly named for Frank Hume, a former Confederate soldier and spy who settled in Alexandria
Previous name not identified at this time. Named Hume in the 1894 St. Elmo Plat.

Ivor Lane – Possibly named for Sergeant James W. Ivor, Co. G, 17th Virginia Regiment, whose name is inscribed on the pedestal of the Confederate monument *Appomattox* with other Alexandrians killed in the war; he was also said to be the model for the painting *Appomattox* by John Adams Elder, which inspired the pose of the Confederate soldier in the monument *Appomattox*
Named North Pickett Street until 1995

Kirkland Place – Possibly named for Sergeant Kirkland, a Confederate soldier who was called the “angel” of the Battle of Fredericksburg, who cared for wounded Federal soldiers; also possibly named for William Whedbee Kirkland, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Page Terrace – Possibly named for Richard Lucian Page, Confederate navy commander and Brigadier General, and a cousin of Robert E. Lee
Named Overlook Terrace in the original land plat from 1925.

Palmer Place – Possibly named for Joseph Benjamin Palmer, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Pelham Street – Possibly named for John Pelham, Lieutenant Colonel, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Pierpont Street – Possibly named for James Lord Pierpont, musical composer of *Strike For the South*, and CSA hero
Named Brandywine until 1953

Pryor Street – Possibly named for Roger Atkinson Pryor, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Reynolds Street – Possibly named for Alexander Welch Reynolds or Daniel H. Reynolds, Brigadier Generals, CSA
Named Edsall Road until 1953

Roberts Street – Possibly named for William Paul Roberts, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Rhoades Place – Possibly named for Robert G. Rhoades, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Scott Street – Possibly named for Thomas Moore Scott, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Shelley Street – Possibly named for Charles Miller Shelley, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Sibley Street – Possibly named for Henry Hopkins Sibley, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Sterling Avenue – Possibly named for Sterling Price, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Stewart Avenue – Possibly named for Alexander P. Stewart, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Terrill Street – Possibly named for James Barbour Terrill, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Thomas Street – Possibly named for Allen Thomas, Brigadier General, CSA; or Edward Lloyd Thomas, Brigadier General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.

Tyler Place – Possibly named for Grayson Tyler, field officer, 17th Virginia Regiment, CSA; or Robert Tyler, General, CSA
Previous name not identified at this time.