



Kentucky Historical Society George Croghan

The Kentucky Historical Society's historical marker 2086 at Locust Grove in Louisville commemorates the family of George Croghan, a War of 1812 veteran.

Born in Louisville in 1791, George's mother, Lucy Clark Croghan, was the sister of George Rogers Clark and William Clark. After serving as an aide to Gen. William Henry Harrison at the Battle of Tippecanoe, Croghan was commissioned captain during the War of 1812. After service at Fort Defiance and Fort Meigs, he was promoted to major and given command of Fort Stephenson in Ohio. In August 1813, the fort was attacked by hundreds of British and Native American troops led by Gen. Henry Proctor.

Although vastly outnumbered, Croghan refused to surrender. The Americans' obstinate defense left more than 100 Redcoats killed and wounded, and Proctor ultimately withdrew.

George Rogers Clark, uncle to War of 1812 hero George Croghan. Courtesy the Kentucky Historical Society.