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# SABINE PASS BATTLEGROUND

*state historic site*



LT. RICHARD W. DOWLING



IN MEMORY OF  
LT. RICHARD W. DOWLING  
AND HIS MEN

UGHT ✦✦

SMITH  
JACK ABBOTT  
R. A. CARTER

✦✦ WITH

TIM  
PAT  
PAT MVD

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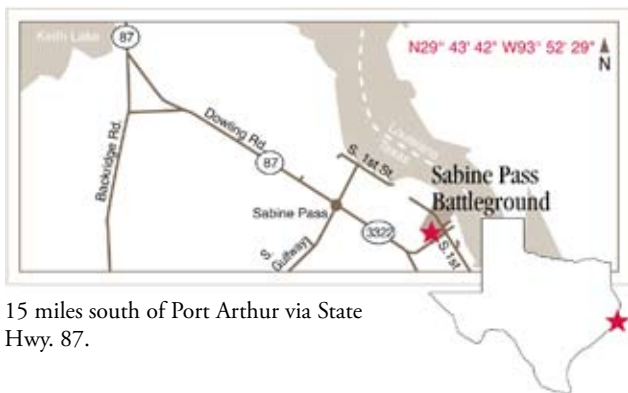
In 1863, Union forces attempted an invasion of Texas at Sabine Pass, a primary port for Confederate shipments of supplies and vital to the war effort. In a battle lasting less than an hour, Lt. Richard “Dick” Dowling and his 46 men defeated the Union ships’ invasion. Their efforts prevented Union forces from penetrating the Texas interior. Today, the 58-acre site honors this small band of heroic soldiers with a stately bronze statue of Dowling and an interpretive pavilion illustrating the story of the battle. Visitors also enjoy fishing and picnicking.

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