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Commander William Barker Cushing (4 November 1842 – 17 December 1871) was a United States Navy officer who was most widely known as a Union Navy officer during the American Civil War for his daring exploits as a Navy raider in the waters of the Confederate States. Cushing is best known for his role as a Navy raider during the American Civil War, where he worked as a Navy raider in the waters of the Confederate States, using small boats to conduct raids on Confederate ships and installations.

His most notable exploit was the raid on the CSS Albemarle, where he successfully disabled the Confederate ironclad using only a small boat. This exploit earned him the nickname "Lincoln's Commando" and led to his being promoted to the rank of Captain in the Union Navy.

During the war, Cushing participated in several significant engagements, including the Battle of Fort Darling, where he played a prominent role in the Union Navy's victory.

After the war, Cushing continued his military career, serving in various capacities in the Union Navy until his death in 1871. Despite his untimely death, he left behind a legacy of daring and innovation in naval warfare, which continues to be remembered and studied by military historians.

This captivating biography of Commander W. B. Cushing tells the story of his life and career, providing insight into the historical context of the American Civil War and the role of individual officers in shaping the outcome of the conflict.