Companies H and I, of the 1st Maryland Cavalry, who had remained in the Shenandoah Valley, became a part of the garrison at Harper's Ferry, Va., and rendered very gallant service at the time of its siege and capture by the enemy, September 15, 1862, when it was concluded to surrender the garrison; these two companies of the 1st Maryland Cavalry joined the cavalry column, who cut their way through the enemy's lines.

The 1st Maryland Cavalry formed a part of General Stoneman's cavalry column during his raid through the enemy's lines in Virginia, April and May, 1863. At the famous cavalry fight at Brandy Station, Va., June 9, 1863, the 1st Maryland Cavalry acted with distinguished gallantry. The regiment was an active participant in all of the cavalry fights that ensued and culminated at the battle of Gettysburg, Pa., July 1–3, 1863, when the Confederate Cavalry Division of General J. E. B. Stuart was signally defeated and driven back.

The 1st Maryland Cavalry continued with the Cavalry Corps of the Army of the Potomac until assigned for a short time to duty with the Army of the James. After General Sheridan's return from the Shenandoah Valley to the Army of the Potomac, the 1st Maryland Cavalry became a part of that famous cavalry corps, and they rendered signal service at the battle of Five Forks, April 1, 1865, and during the brilliant maneuvers by the cavalry corps that resulted in the surrender of Lee's Army at Appomattox Court House, Va., April 9, 1865.

The 1st Maryland Cavalry participated in the following skirmishes and battles, either in whole or in part, during the Civil War, viz.: Balls Bluff, Va., January 4, 1862; Stone's Cross Roads, Va., January 4, 1862; Bath, Va., January 4, 1862; Alpine Depot, Va., January 4, 1862; Hancock, Md., January 5 and 6, 1862; Bloomery Gap, Va., January 7, 1862; Bloomery Gap, Va., February 14, 1862; Middletown, Md., May 24, 1862; Winchester, Va., May 24, 1862; Charlestown, Va., May 28, 1862; Harper's Ferry, Va., June 9, 1862; Rapidan Station, Va., July 13, 1862, Madison Court House, Va., August 8, 1862; Cedar Mountain, Va., August 9, 1862; Rappahannock Station, Va., August 22, 1862; Freeman's Ford, Va., August 22, 1862; White Sulphur Springs, Va., August 23, 1862: Centreville, Va., August 28, 1862; Gainesville, Va., August 28, 1862; Grovetown, Va., August 29, 1862; Bull Run, Va., August 30, 1862; Boonesboro, Md., September 7, 1862; Maryland Heights, Md., September 13, 1862; Sharpsburg, Md., September 15, 1862; Manassas Junction, Va., October 23, 1862; Fredericksburg, Va., December 13, 1862; Dumfries, Va., December 27, 1862; Stoneman's Raid, Va., April and May, 1863, Brandy Station, Va., June 9, 1863; Beverly Ford, Va., June 9, 1863; Aldie, Va., June 19, 1863; Middleburg, Va., June 23, 1863; Upperville, Va., June 23, 1863; Gettysburg, Pa., July 1-3, 1863; Middletown, Md., July 5, 1863; Shepherdstown, Va., July 14, 1863; Culpepper, Va., September 14, 1863; Rapidan Station, Va., September 16, 1863; White Sulphur Springs, October 13, 1863; Bristoe Station, October 14, 1863; Mine Run, Va., November 26 to December 2, 1863; Bermuda Hundred, Va., June 17, 1864; Richmond and Petersburg Railroad, Va., June 19, 1864; Deep Bottom, Va., July 27, 1864; Flussen's Mill, Va., August 14, 1864; Deep Run, Va., August 16-18, 1864; Siege of Petersburg, Va., August 25, September 27, 1864; Chaffin's Farm, Va., September 29, 1864; Darbeytown Road, Va., October 13, 1864; Fair Oaks, Va., October 27, 1864; Smithfield, Va., December 7, 1864; Five Forks, Va. (Dinwiddie County), April 1, 1865;