

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION  
**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

## CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

**PLEASE:**

- Type or print, using a ballpoint pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- Do not guess at the information. An answer of "Unknown" is more helpful.
- Include a photograph of each viewable side and label it with name & direction of view.

- Thank You

**Type of Memorial**

- |   |  |                                 |
|---|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monument <i>with</i> Sculpture               | <input type="checkbox"/> Monument with <i>Cannon</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaque |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monument <i>without</i> Sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Marker           |                                 |

**Affiliation**

- |   |  |                                 |
|---|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> GAR              | Post Name & No. _____                    | <input type="checkbox"/> MOLLUS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WRC              | Corps Name & No. _____                   |                                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SUVCW | Camp Name & No. <u>Westport Camp #64</u> |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DUVCW            | Tent Name & No. _____                    |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other            | Description _____                        |                                 |

Original Dedication Date 17 July 2005

Please consult any/all newspaper archives for a local paper's article that would have information on the *first* dedication ceremony and/or other facts on the memorial. Please submit a copy of your findings with full identification of the paper & date of publication.

**Location**The Memorial is *currently* located at:Street/Road address or site location Pisgah Cemetery on Pisgah Cemetery RoadCity/Village Wood Heights Township \_\_\_\_\_ County RayThe front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West**Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner** (of property that Memorial is located in)...Name Pisgah Cemetery Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_Street Address Pisgah Cemetery RoadCity Wood Heights State MO Zip Code 64024Contact Person Robert Arnold Telephone 816-637-7203

If the Memorial has been moved, please list former location(s):

**Physical Details**Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon is:  Stone  Concrete  Metal  UndeterminedIf known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Base (height) is 19" below grade with rebar

Material of the Sculpture is:  Stone  Concrete  Metal  Undetermined

If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Mahogany granite

If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?"  Solid Cast  Hollow  Undetermined

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet is: \_\_\_\_\_

Material of the Cannon is:  Bronze  Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm

Markings on muzzle are: \_\_\_\_\_

Markings on Left Trunion: \_\_\_\_\_ Right Trunion: \_\_\_\_\_

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial?  Yes  No If so, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**Approximate Dimensions** (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points

Monument or Base: Height 5" Width 50" Depth 27" or Diameter \_\_\_\_\_

Sculpture: Height 21" Width 42" Depth 21" or Diameter \_\_\_\_\_

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue and attach to this form. Please describe the "pose" of each statue and any weapons/ implements involved (in case your photos become separated from this form). Thank you!

**Markings/Inscriptions** (on stonework / metalwork of monument, base, sculpture)

Maker or Fabricator mark / name?  Yes  No

If so, give name & location found: Baker Memorials of Lexington, Missouri

The "Dedication Text" is formed:  cut into material  raised up from material face

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...):

US

Sgt. Truman C. Greenslit, Co. C  
 Pvt. Charles Godfrey, Co. M  
 Pvt. David Good, Co. M  
 Pvt. John Picard, Co. M  
 Pvt. William Robson, Co. M  
 Pvt. Simeon Simpkins, Co. M

The names of these brave 2nd Colorado Cavalrymen were known only to God for 140 years. They were killed in action 17 July 1864 in an engagement with Confederate Guerillas while on patrol near Fredericksburg in Ray County Missouri. Their bodies were laid to rest here in an unmarked mass grave the same day.

Dedicated 17 July 2005 by Westport Camp #64, SUVCW

**Environmental Setting**

(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.)

**Type of Location**

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cemetery | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Town Square"       | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capitol  | <input type="checkbox"/> School          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Building  | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office    | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Courthouse          | <input type="checkbox"/> Park           | <input type="checkbox"/> Library         |

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**General Vicinity**

- Rural (low population, open land)
- Town
- Suburban (residential, near city)
- Urban / Metropolitan

**Immediate Locale (check as many as may apply)**

- Industrial
- Street/Roadside within 20 feet
- Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)
- Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)
- Commercial
- Tree Covered (overhanging branches)

Any other significant environmental factor:

**Condition Information**

**Structural Condition (check as many as may apply)**

The following section applies to Monuments *with* Sculpture, and Monuments *without* Sculpture - including the base for Monuments with *Cannon*. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed? <small>(look for signs of exterior rust)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any evidence of structural instability? <small>(look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any broken or missing parts? <small>(look for elements - sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any cracks, splits, breaks, or holes? <small>(also look for signs of uneven stress &amp; weakness in the material)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)**

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
Black crusting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
White crusting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chalky or powdery stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Granular eroding of stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - please describe:		

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial?     Yes     No     Unable to tell

**Surface Coating**

Does there appear to be a coating?  Yes  No  Unable to determine

If known, identify type of coating:

Gilded  Painted  Varnished  Waxed  Unable to determine

Is the coating in good condition?  Yes  No  Unable to determine

**Basic Surface Condition Assessment**

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?

Well maintained  Would benefit from treatment  In urgent need of treatment  Unable to determine

**Overall Description**

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on).

The memorial is fairly new. The mahogany marker was donated by an individual. It was then transported to a monument engraver for the inscription. When it was completed, the monument was set atop a newly poured concrete pad measuring 27" long x 52" wide. Because the stone is triangular in shape if looking at the ends, the inscription on the face of the monument sits at a 45 degree angle allowing the viewers to avoid kneeling to read. The sharp edges were cut off to prevent chipping.

**Supplemental Background Information**

In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment. Thank you.

**Inspector Identification**

Date of On-site Survey 19 Apr 2007

Your Name Brian Smarker

Address 2205 Arbor Lane

City Excelsior Springs

State MO Zip Code 64024

Telephone 816-630-2104

[Print Form](#)

Please send this completed form to:

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 15 Park Place  
 Holley, NY 14470-1022  
 (585) 638-5929

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR  
 National Civil War Memorials Committee



US

SGT TRUMAN GREENSLIT, CO C  
PVT CHARLES GODFREY, CO M  
PVT DAVID GOOD, CO M

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GUERRILLAS WHILE ON PATROL NEAR FREDERICKSBURG IN  
RAY COUNTY MISSOURI. THEIR BODIES WERE LAID TO  
REST HERE IN AN UNMARKED MASS GRAVE THE SAME DAY.

DEDICATED 17 JULY 2005 BY  
WESTPORT CAMP # 64, SUVCW