

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION  
**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**  
**CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM**

**PLEASE:**

- Type or print, using a ball-point 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**

Monument *with* Sculpture  
 Monument without Sculpture

Monument with *Cannon*  
 Historical Marker  Plaque

**Affiliation**

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  M.O.L.L.U.S.  
 W.R.C. (Corps Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  Other Allied Order  
 SUVCW (Camp Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_) (Please describe below)  
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
 Other: Probably Citizens of Lexington

**Original Dedication Date**

\_\_\_\_\_ 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. Thank you.

**Location**

The Memorial is *currently* located at:

Street/Road address or site location Wood St. Opposite Water Tower W93°52'40" N39°11'28"  
 City/Village Lexington Township \_\_\_\_\_ County LaFayette

The front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West

**Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner** (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)...

Name Battle of Lexington State Historic Site Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address PO Box 6  
 City Lexington State MO Zip Code 64067-0006  
 Contact Person Site Administrator Telephone ( 660 ) 259-4654

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

N/A  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical Details**

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon =  Stone  Concrete  Metal  Undetermined  
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Granite

Material of the Sculpture = \_\_\_ Stone \_\_\_ Concrete \_\_\_ Metal \_\_\_ Undetermined  
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" \_\_\_\_\_

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = \_\_\_\_\_

Material of Cannon = \_\_\_ Bronze \_\_\_ Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm  
Markings on muzzle = \_\_\_\_\_  
Markings on Left Trunion \_\_\_\_\_ Right Trunion \_\_\_\_\_  
Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? \_\_\_ If so, describe \_\_\_\_\_

**Approximate Dimensions** (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points  
Monument or Base: Height 36" Width 24" Depth 18" or Diameter \_\_\_\_\_  
Sculpture: Height \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_ 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 stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture)  
Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found \_\_\_\_\_

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

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...) Please use additional sheet if necessary.

Battlefield \_\_\_\_\_  
of Lexington, Mo. \_\_\_\_\_  
September 18-19-20, \_\_\_\_\_  
1861 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Environmental Setting**

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

**Type of Location**

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



**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 (check one)**

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) .

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**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 18 December 2007  
Your Name Walter E. Busch, US Grant Camp #68  
Address PO Box 509 City Pilot Knob  
State MO Zip Code 63663 Telephone ( 314 ) 630-8407

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.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee





CATON FIELD  
SEPTEMBER 1861  
1861