

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Monument <i>with</i> Sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> Monument <i>with Cannon</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plaque |
| <input 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 type="checkbox"/> SUVCW | Camp Name & No. _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DUVCW | Tent Name & No. _____ | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other | Description <u>The Native Sons of Kansas City</u> | |

Original Dedication Date Unknown, but before 1970

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 South side of 10th St. just west of Central St. (N39°06.138' W094°35.256')
 City/Village Kansas City Township _____ County Jackson

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

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

Name Quality Hill Playhouse Dept./Div. _____
 Street Address 303 W. 10th St.
 City Kansas City State MO Zip Code 64105
 Contact Person _____ Telephone 816-421-1700

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

According to "Historical Points in Greater Kansas City" (copyright 1970) compiled by Peggy Smith, the Camp Union plaque was once affixed to the back wall of the Coates House Hotel at 10th and Broadway.

Physical Details

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

Material of the Sculpture is: 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?" Solid Cast Hollow Undetermined

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet is: Bronze _____

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 _____ Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter _____

Sculpture: Height 2'0" _____ Width 1'6" _____ Depth 1/2" _____ 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: _____

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

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

CAMP UNION
 IN JUNE - JULY, 1861, BARRACKS AND SERVICE BUILDINGS WITHIN A 200-FOOT-SQUARE EARTHWORK WERE BUILT ON THIS SITE BY THE BATTALION OF UNITED STATES RESERVE CORPS, COMPANIES, A, B, AND C, ORGANIZED BY MAJOR R. T. VAN HORN, THEN MAYOR OF THE CITY. BY THESE MEANS KANSAS CITY WAS HELD TO THE UNION THROUGHOUT THE CIVIL WAR WHILE BORDER FIGHTING HARASSED THE COUNTY. THE CELLARS OF THE UNFINISHED COATES HOTEL ON THE WEST WERE USED AS CAVALRY BARNs.

Environmental Setting

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

Type of Location

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input 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: Parking garage column _____

General Vicinity

- Rural (low population, open land)
- Suburban (residential, near city)
- Town
- 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.

	Sculpture	Base
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 & weakness in the material)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

	Sculpture	Base
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 checked="" 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 plaque is out of reach without having something to stand on. The bottom of the plaque is about 7'0" off the ground. This may have been intentional to deter vandalism to the plaque.

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 10 July 2006

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:

Todd A. Shillington, PCC
 15 Park Place
 Holley, NY 14470-1022
 (585) 638-5929

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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