

# NATIONAL ORGANIZATION SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

## CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

**PLEASE:**

1. Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
2. 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 with Cannon  
☐ Monument without Sculpture
 ☒ Historical Marker ☐ Plaque  
☐ Other (flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

**Affiliation**

- ☐ G.A.R. (Post Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)
 ☐ M.O.L.L.U.S.  
☐ SUVCW (Camp Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_) (Please describe below)  
☐ WRC (Corps Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
☐ ASUVCW (Aux Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
☐ DUVCW (Tent Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
☐ LGAR (Circle Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
☐ Other Searcy County Historical Society

**Original Dedication Date** 2011 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 courthouse lawn  
 City/Village MARSHALL Township Bear Creek County Searcy  
 State AR

35° 54.574 N, 92° 37.904 W

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 Searcy County Historical Society

Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

ARKANSAS

State

72600

Zip Code

MARSHALL

City

Contact Person

Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**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.) CAST ALUMINUM

**SUVCW - CIVIL WAR**

Material of the Sculpture = ☐ Stone ☐ Concrete ☒ Metal ☐ Undetermined If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) ALUMINUM

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

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 48" Depth 1/2" 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.

ARKANSAS PEACE SOCIETY In November 1861, Confederate authorities discovered a secret Peace Society in North Arkansas whose members appeared secessionist. Col. Samuel McKim collected the Sevier County militia to roundup members of the group. More than 90 men were arrested and 87 of them were chained and marched to Little Rock. They were forced to enlist in Col. John Marmaduke's 13th Arkansas Infantry. Most of those survived battle and disease were back in Sevier County by 1863 heading to Missouri where many joined regiments in the United States Army.

**Environmental Setting**

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

**Type of Location**

☒ Cemetery  
☒ "Town Square"  
☒ Municipal Building  
☒ Courthouse  
☐ Traffic Circle

☐ Park  
☐ Post Office  
☐ State Capitol  
☐ College Campus  
☐ Library

☐ Plaza/Courtyard  
☐ School  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_



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## ARKANSAS PEACE SOCIETY

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ARKANSAS CIVIL WAR, SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMISSION  
SEARCY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
PEACOCKS HISTORICAL COUNCIL  
DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS HERITAGE



(North facing side) FEDERAL RAIDS ON BURROWVILLE.  
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SEARCY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
ARKANSAS HUMANITIES COUNCIL  
DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS HERITAGE

**General Vicinity**☐ Rural (low population, open land)☒ Town☐ Suburban (residential, near city)☐ Urban / Metropolitan**Immediate Locale** (check as many as may apply)☐ Industrial ☐ Commercial☐ Street/Roadside within 20 feet ☐ Tree Covered (overhanging branches)☐ Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)☐ Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)Any other significant environmental factor ON COURTHOUSE LAWN**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? (Look for signs of exterior rust)	<u>OK</u>	<u>OK</u>
Any evidence of structural instability? (Look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>
Any broken or missing parts? (Look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (Also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>

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

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

NO SIGNS OF DETERIORATIONDoes 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 (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 12 Aug 2022  
 Your Name JAMES JOHNSON  
 Address 2333 N. EAST OAKS DR. City FAYETTEVILLE  
 State AR Zip Code 72703 Telephone (479) 442-3691  
 What Order or Organization is submitter a member of? SUVCW

Please send this completed form to

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair  
 P.O. Box 509  
 Pilot Knob, MO 63663  
 (314) 630-8407  
 webusch@hotmail.com

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail. SONS OF UNION V

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