

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: Rotary International

**Original Dedication Date** Unknown (1945-1955) 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 East of No Lorimer/Themis Junction W89°31'15" N37°18'18"City/Village Cape Girardeau Township \_\_\_\_\_ County Cape GirardeauThe front of the Memorial faces: ☐ North ☐ South ☐ East ☒ West**Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner** (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)...Name Cape Girardeau County Dept./Div. County Commission

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

City Jackson State MO Zip Code 63755Contact Person Unknown Telephone ( 573 ) 243-1052

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 ☐ UndeterminedIf known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) aggregate cement

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

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Bronze

Material of Cannon = \_\_\_Bronze \_\_\_Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm  
Markings on muzzle = n/a  
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 2 1/2 ft Width 2 1/2 ft Depth 2 1/2 ft 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 ☐ not found ☐

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

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...) Please use additional sheet if necessary.  
1806 [American Indian Chief Head with Bonnet] 1854

In 1806 Louis Lorimer ceded this plot to the city for a civic center. The present building dates from 1854. It houses city offices and court of common pleas. The cellar was a civil war prison. The park accommodates a Union memorial bandstand and public library and at one time a fire station and produce mart. It has fostered many activities through the years - from slave auctions to religious worship.

## 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"/> 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Courthouse	<input type="checkbox"/> College Campus	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle	<input type="checkbox"/> Library	

**General Vicinity**☐ Rural (low population, open land)☐ Suburban (residential, near city)☒ Town☐ 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 within 75 feet of roadway.**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? (look for signs of exterior rust)	<u>no</u>	<u>no</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)

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

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 (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).

Good condition

**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 13 Dec 2005

Your Name Walter E. Busch

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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Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee



