

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

## Type of Memorial (check all applicable)

Monument  with Sculpture  without Sculpture  with Cannon  standalone Cannon  
 Historical Marker  Plaque  Other ( flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

## Affiliation

GAR  MOLLUS  SUVCW  WRC  ASUVCW  
 LGAR  DUVCW  Other

If known, record name and number of post, camp, corps, auxiliary, tent, circle or appropriate information of other groups:

LAST SOLDIER PROJECT- Phelps Camp of Missouri

**Original Dedication Date** 13 May 2017 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 Hillcrest Cemetery Plot: NE 1st 107-3  
2095 North Main St GPS Coordinates Cemetery Center N37.149821, W92.265415  
City/Village &/or Township Mountain Grove  
County Texas State MO Zip Code 65711

The front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West

## Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Hillcrest Cemetery  
Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ext \_\_\_\_\_

Is Memorial on the National Register of Historic Places  Yes  No ID # if known \_\_\_\_\_

## For Monuments with/without sculpture:

### Physical Details

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

Material of the Sculpture  Stone  Concrete  Metal  Other Is it hollow or solid? \_\_\_\_\_  
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

**For Historic Marker or Plaque:**

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

**For Cannons with/without monument:**

Material of Cannon = \_\_\_\_\_ Bronze \_\_\_\_\_ Iron \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Cannon (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Rifled \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Markings: Muzzle \_\_\_\_\_ Base Ring/Breech \_\_\_\_\_

Left Trunion \_\_\_\_\_ Right Trunion \_\_\_\_\_

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

[For camp/department monuments officer's use: Cannon on list of known ordnance] \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**For Other Memorials:** (flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

What best describes the memorial

Materials of the Memorial

**Complete for All Memorials**

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

1 inch Height 24 inch Width 18 inch Depth or \_\_\_\_\_ Diameter

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue (service, pose, etc) 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

Please attach legible photographs of all text &/or Record the text in the space below. Please use the addendum – narrative sheet if necessary.

[GAR Star] In Memory of Wright County's [GAR Star]  
Last Civil War Veteran  
James Columbus "Uncle Jim" Clouse  
1846-1946  
A Member of the 5th Tennessee Infantry (US)

**Environmental Setting**

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

**Type of Location**

Cemetery      \_\_\_ Park      \_\_\_ Plaza/Courtyard      \_\_\_ "Town Square"      \_\_\_ Post Office  
 \_\_\_ School      \_\_\_ Municipal Building      \_\_\_ State Capitol      \_\_\_ Courthouse      \_\_\_ College Campus  
 \_\_\_ Traffic Circle      \_\_\_ Library      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

[To detail the condition of a monument used the addendum form for *Monument's 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.

Addendums attached to this electronic file are the *Monument's Condition* and the *Narrative* forms. Only the *Monument's Condition* form is required if you are requesting grant money using form CWM-62 *SUVCW Memorial Grant Application Form and Instructions*.

Thank you.

Inspector Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Date of On-site Survey 09/20/2017  
 Your Name Walter E Busch  
 Address 1240 Konert Valley Dr  
 City Fenton State MO Zip Code 63026  
 Telephone (314) 630-8407 E-Mail wbusch@suvchwmo.org

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?

US Grant Camp 68 - SUVCW - MO

Please send this completed form to:

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair  
 1240 Konert Valley Dr.  
 Fenton, MO 63026  
 (314) 630-8407  
 wbusch@hotmail.com

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR – CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS COMMITTEE.**

**“LAST SOLDIER” MARKER DEDICATION FOR JAMES COLUMBUS CLOUSE** On Saturday, May 13, members of Phelps Camp dedicated its first “Last Soldier” marker in Hillcrest Cemetery in Mountain Grove, Missouri.

The marker honors James Columbus Close, the last surviving Union Civil War veteran in Wright County. He died in 1946 at the age of 100. Clouse served in the 5th Tennessee Infantry (U.S.), a regiment that saw action in the Western Theater.





Clouse was a member of the David D Porter Post 433 GAR