

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 with Cannon
 Monument *without* Sculpture = A TREE! 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. ISAAC CRIST CAMP # 28 (1969)) (Please describe below)
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. JOHANA SHINE TENT # B2 (1969))
 Other: _____

Original Dedication Date 10 JUNE 1913 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: SE CORNER OF N. CENTER ST & E. NINTH
 Street/Road address or site location _____
 City/Village RENO Township _____ County WASHOE

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 STATE OF NEVADA, DEPT. OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS Dept./Div. STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
 Street Address 716 N. CARSON ST.
 City CARSON CITY State NV Zip Code 89701
 Contact Person RONALD M. JAMES Telephone (775) 687 8343 3440

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.) TREE

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?" N/A

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = PAINTED STEEL

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 _____ Width _____ Depth _____ 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 STATE OF NEVADA, STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

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.

" THIS TREE WAS PLANTED IN SOIL FROM CIVIL WAR BATTLE-FIELDS AND DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC BY THE NATIONAL COMMANDER IN CHIEF JUNE 10, 1913. IT WAS MARKED AND RE-DEDICATED BY ISAAC CRIST CAMP NUMBER 20, SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR, LOUISIANA SITING TENT NUMBER 02, DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR - RENO, NEVADA, OCTOBER 18, 1969 "

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: <u>STREET</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Courthouse | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> College Campus (UNR) | <u>CORNER</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | _____ |

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 _____

Condition Information

N/A

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)	_____	_____
Any evidence of structural instability? (look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	_____	_____
Any broken or missing parts? (look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	_____	_____
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	_____	_____

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

	Sculpture	Base
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...	_____	_____

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).

SEE ATTACHED PICTURES

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 24 MARCH 2003

Your Name JEFFREY VAILLANT, CW MEMORIAL OFFICER

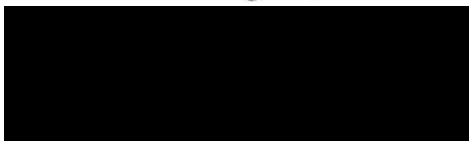
Address 529 - 7TH STREET City SPARKS

State NV Zip Code 89431 Telephone [REDACTED]

GENERAL WILLIAM PASSMORE CARLIN CAMP 25
DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC

Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PCC



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
National Civil War Memorials Committee

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State Historic Preservation Office



Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Tree

Nevada Historical Marker 81

Location:

- Truckee River Basin, Washoe County, Reno, Nevada.
- Located at the intersection of East Ninth Street and North Center Street in Reno, Nevada.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC MEMORIAL TREE

This tree was planted in soil from Civil War battle fields and dedicated to the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic by the National Commander in Chief June 10, 1913. It was marked and rededicated by Isaac Crist Camp Number 28, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Johana Shine Tent Number 82, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War--Reno, Nevada, October 18, 1969



State of Nevada

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Modified: 9/5/2002

Location: http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/shpo/markers/mark_81.htm

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
John E. Sautter
Commander-in-Chief 1913 / 1914**



No biography

August 1913



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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Fred H. Combs, Jr.

Commander-in-Chief 1969 / 1970

Fred H. Combs Jr. joined the General James A. Garfield Camp #4, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) in Trenton, New Jersey in 1929 when he was 16 years old. He had been a member of the SUVCW New Jersey Department for 67 years when he died in 1996.

His paternal great grandfather, Corporal Henry Ent, enlisted in Troop L, 6th United States Cavalry in January 1862 and was honorably discharged on January 4, 1865. His maternal great grandfather, August Levi, enrolled on January 1, 1864 in 1st Lt. Victor Valk's Company, Company D., 68th Regiment of New York Veteran Volunteers. He was discharged November 30, 1865 at Fort Pulaski, Georgia.

Brother Combs served in numerous SUVCW capacities in the Camp, Department and National levels, including National Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of the *Banner*. He was a life member and also served as National Membership-at-Large Coordinator in this membership program's infancy. In 1969, he was elected Commander-in-Chief in St. Louis, Missouri and presided at the 84th National Encampment held in Miami Beach, Florida in 1970.

During World War II, he entered the Army Air Force in January 1943 and was assigned to the Second Air Force. He was discharged as a Staff Sergeant on February 21, 1946.

After earning his Bachelor and Master degrees in education from Rutgers University, he was employed as a teacher, Principal and Superintendent of Schools. When he retired, he was the Assistant Commissioner of Education for the state of New Jersey. He was an adjunct professor at Rider University, where he taught a graduate course in New Jersey school law. He was a life member of seven educational organizations and past president of several. For several years, he was a member of the Delegate Assembly of the New Jersey Education Association. He also served on the Board of Governors of the National Organization of Legal Problems in Education.

Brother Combs was an ordained Presbyterian Elder and served his church in many capacities. He was active in community affairs, a life member of the local volunteer fire company, a past president of the Lions Club, and a

member of the American Legion. He was a trustee of the Civil War Museum in Trenton, New Jersey.

In 1942, he married Marion Eggert of Lawrenceville, New Jersey and they had two daughters and two granddaughters. Marion (Eggert) Combs was elected National President of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW in 1977 and presided at the 92nd National Encampment held in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1978.

Biography and photograph submitted by:
Marion E. Combs, PNP
Auxiliary to the SUVCW
February 2002



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OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.
BY
THE NATIONAL COMMANDER IN CHIEF
JUNE 10, 1915

MARKED AND DEDICATED BY
ISSAC CRIST CAMP NO. 28
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
JONAS SHINE TENT NO. 82
DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
RENO, NEVADA OCTOBER 18, 1969

THIS MONUMENT, MARKED AS A
STATE MONUMENT, WAS DEDICATED BY
ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE



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