

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
**Dept. of California & Pacific**



**Civil War Memorial Assessment Form**  
**(Form CWM #61)**

Used for periodic assessments of the condition of Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) and Civil War memorials in the Department of California & Pacific, SUVCW (includes California, Nevada and Hawaii)

For more information please go to:  
<http://www.suvcw.org/memorials.html>

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION  
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

LA VETS CEMETERY 12 LB BRONZE NAPOLEON CANNON

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 & LIMBER CHEST  
 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: FT. TEJON ASSOCIATION ?

Original Dedication Date UNKNOWN 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 950 So. SEPULVEDA BLVD.  
City/Village LOS ANGELES Township \_\_\_\_\_ County LOS ANGELES

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 LA VETS NATIONAL CEMETERY Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address 950 So. SEPULVEDA BLVD  
City LOS ANGELES State CA Zip Code 90049  
Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (310) 268-4675-4494

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

UNKNOWN  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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.) ??



**General Vicinity**

Rural (low population, open land)  
 Town

Suburban (residential, near city) *& NEAR INTERSTATE HWY 405*  
 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 THIS IS NOT PROTECTED IN ANY WAY FROM VANDALISM OR THEFT. THERE ARE ONLY WOOD BLOCKS UNDER WHEELS - IT COULD BE EASILY MOVED IF DETERMINED THEMES WANTED IT.

**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)	/	/
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)	/	/

*CANNON CARRIAGE WHEELS BOWED*

**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.)	/ RUST	/
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)	/ YES BIRDS	/
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...		

*(None)*

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).  
I TALKED TO OFFICIALS @ THE CEMETERY & THEY DO NOT HAVE ANY IDEA WHO OWNS THIS CANNON. I HAVE INQUIRIES IN TO FT TEJON & A FEW ARTILLIARY RE ENACTOR FRIENDS THEY MAY HELP - (THIS IS PENDING). IF WE DO GET ANY HISTORY, THE OFFICIALS @ CEMETERY WOULD LIKE A COPY FOR HAND OUT MATERIAL I TOLD THEM I WOULD SUPPLY IT - IF WE FOUND OUT ANY INFO.

\* **Supplemental Background Information** - HISTORICAL INFO IS LACKING -

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 30 JULY 2002  
 Your Name FLOYD L. FARRAR  
 Address 12550 E. CARSON ST. #59 City HAWAIIAN GARDENS  
 State CA Zip Code 90716 Telephone 

TODAYS DATE: 1/18/2005

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Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PCC  


Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

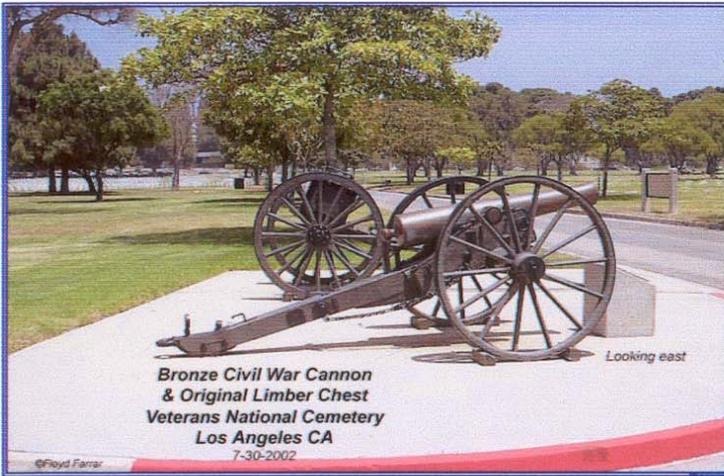
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 National Civil War Memorials Committee

\* NOTE: My RE-ENACTOR FRIENDS SAID THE CANNON WAS STILL THERE NOV 11, 2004. & OFFICIALS TODAY SAID IT WAS STILL THERE.

**Photos of 12 lb Bronze Civil War era  
Napoleon cannon and limber chest**

**Located at LA Veterans National Cemetery  
West LA California**

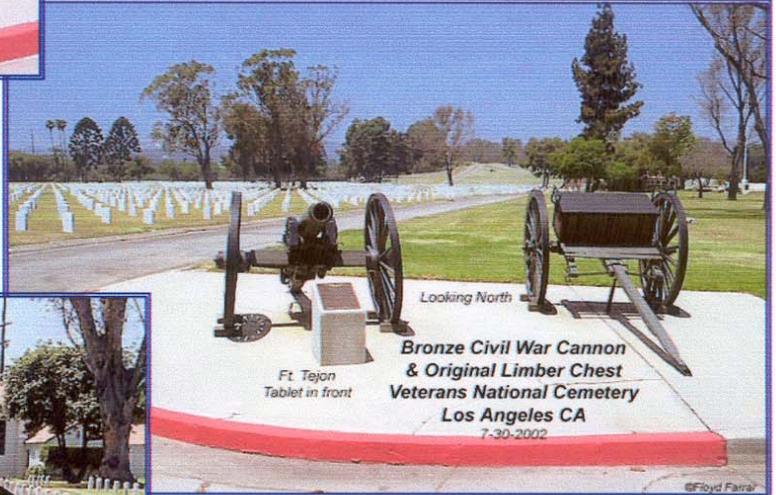
*Photos by Floyd Farrar  
July 30, 2002*



**Bronze Civil War Cannon  
& Original Limber Chest  
Veterans National Cemetery  
Los Angeles CA  
7-30-2002**

*Looking east*

**LOOKING EAST**



*Looking North*

**Bronze Civil War Cannon  
& Original Limber Chest  
Veterans National Cemetery  
Los Angeles CA  
7-30-2002**

*Ft. Tejon  
Tablet in front*

**LOOKING NORTH**



*Looking West*

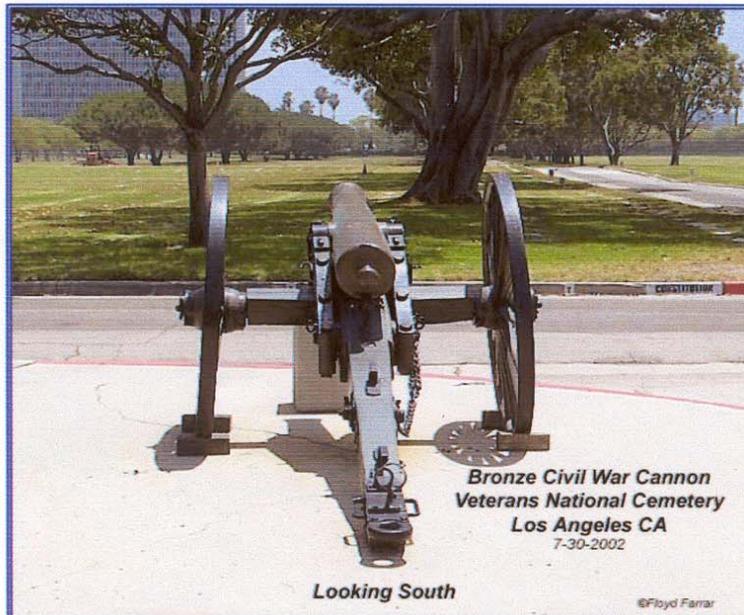
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**LOOKING WEST**

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**Bronze Civil War Cannon  
Veterans National Cemetery  
Los Angeles CA  
7-30-2002**

*Looking South*

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**LOOKING SOUTH**



Looking North

**Bronze 12 lb. Civil War era  
Napoleon Cannon  
Los Angeles Vets Cemetery**

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**12 lb Bronze  
Napoleon Cannon  
LA Nat Vets Cemetery**

**12 LB. BRONZE  
CIVIL WAR CANNON  
ASSESSMENT  
ADDENDUM -**

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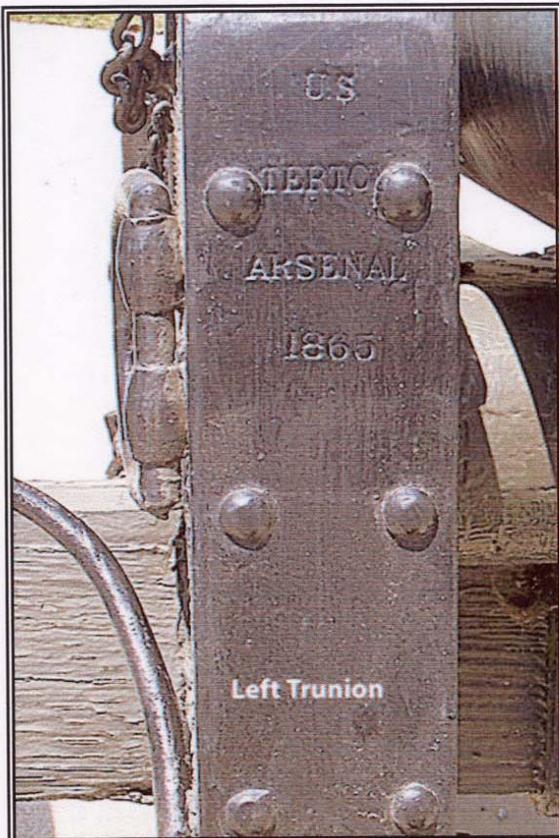
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12 lb Civil War Bronze Cannon -  
Limber chest location

LA National Vets Cemetery  
950 So Sepulveda Blvd  
Los Angeles CA 90049

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Left Trunion



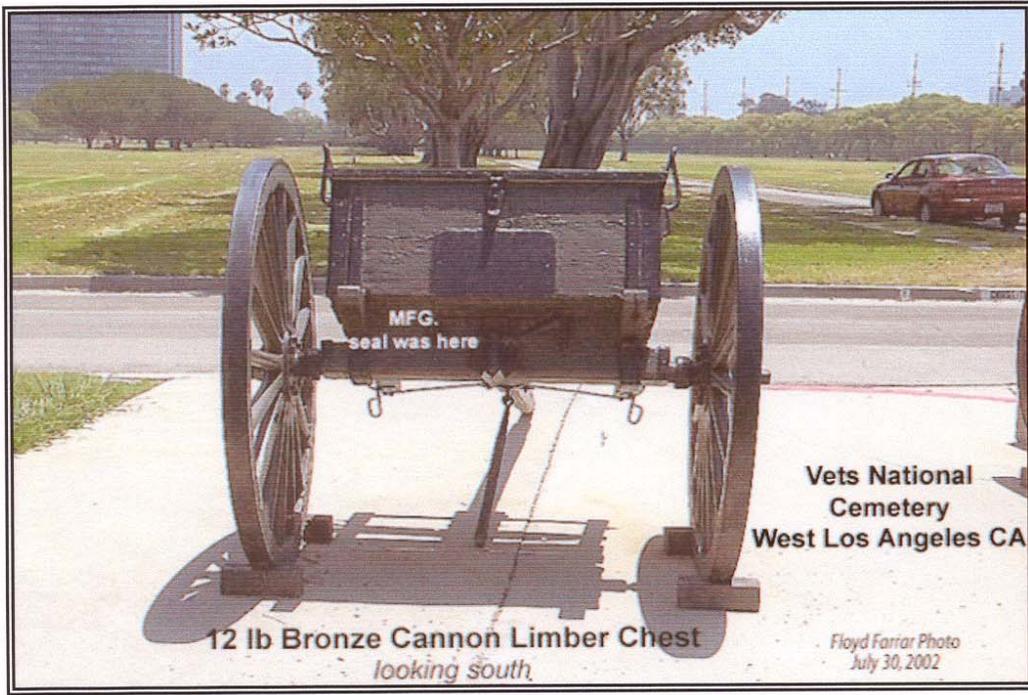
Right Trunion

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12 LB BRONZE CANNON  
LA VETS CEMETERY ASSESMENT



Vets National  
Cemetery  
West Los Angeles CA

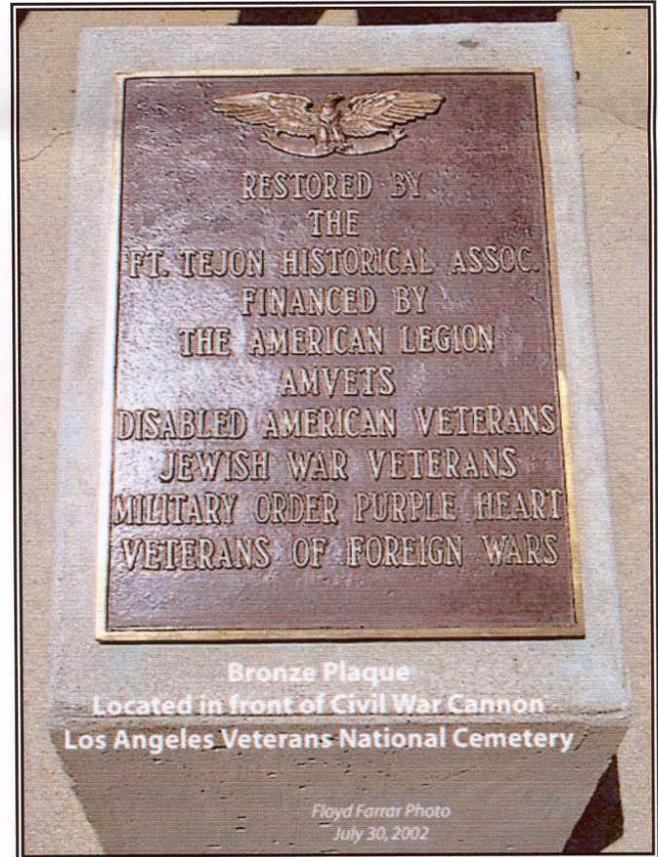
12 lb Bronze Cannon Limber Chest  
looking south.

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Limber Chest seal  
in back reads:

Phelps Parke  
& Co  
Pittsburgh Pa  
1863



Bronze Plaque  
Located in front of Civil War Cannon  
Los Angeles Veterans National Cemetery

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NO DATE ON PLAQUE

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