

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)

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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 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
 SUCVW (Camp Name & No. _____) (Please describe below)
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. _____)

Other: Sotoyome Guard, Govenor Leland Stanford & Community

Original Dedication Date 29 October 1862 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: Oak Mound Cemetery
 Street/Road address or site location 601 Piper Street
 City/Village Healdsburg Township _____ County Sonoma

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 Oak Mound Cemetery Dept./Div. _____
 Street Address 601 Piper Street
 City Healdsburg State CA Zip Code 95448
 Contact Person Ray Gardner Telephone (707) 433-4582

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.) Granite, light gray.

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

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = N/A

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 18" Width 36" Depth 36" or Diameter _____
 Sculpture: Bottom Height 8' Width 24" Depth 18" or Diameter _____
 Tapered to top 8" 8"

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 See below.

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

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...) Please use additional sheet if necessary.
South side of base block, "Matheson" has cut away background
in the base material. North side of base block has cut in
"Erected by friends of Healdsburg and vicinity".
East and West sides of polished base block blank.
A cement apron surrounds the monument and covers the grave
site.

Environmental Setting

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

Type of Location

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

Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? ___ Yes ___ No X 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 X In urgent need of treatment ___ Unable to determine

Overall Description

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on).

Camp #16 Brothers have swept off apron on occasions.

The cracked top of the stele needs to be stabilized before an earthquake or vandals topple it, shattering the granite.

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 1 April 2004

Your Name James Spencer, Col. Rodrick Matheson Camp #16

Address 101 Sunrise Mountain Road City Cazadero

State CA Zip Code 95421-9683 Telephone [REDACTED]

Email: bluemoon@wclynx.com

Please send this completed form to:

Kevin P. Tucker, PDC, Chair



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee

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**Col. Matheson Stela Monument
Oak Mound Cemetery, 601 Piper Street,
Healdsburg, Sonoma County, CA**

BI MONTHLY ENTERPRISE

October.....29, 1862

CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

The day was a very mild and sunny
As the workmen From the Sotoyome
Guard encased Col. Matheson's grave
In concrete. And placed the Monument
From His Family and friends of the City
Of Healdsburg, California. The event
Was witnessed by many of the towns
People and friends this included
The Cols Wife Antoinette (Netty)
Son Roderick Jr. (Rody) Son George
Daughter Marie Antoinette (Nina) The
Cols oldest friends Alexander
McDougall, William Ralston, Governor
Leland Stanford. The Monument was
Placed just twenty days after the Funeral.
The Sotoyome Guard the home guard
From Healdsburg Finished the Ceremony
By firing a volley in respect and admiration
For their Beloved Col.

Search for information was zero until this article was located in the private scrap book of "Greta" from Kansas and Larkfield, Sonoma County, CA, a senior citizen in a care facility. She would not let the information be copied electronically. It took 90 minutes to piece the article together and hand copied in January 2005. A return visit was made in February to find the lady had passed away. A grandson had no interest and had staff give away or junk her possessions.

Notes were typed and formatted during March 2005 by Jim Spencer, Commander, Col. Rodrick Matheson Camp #16, Dept. CA & Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. **Presentation page set up by Kirby Morgan, Dept. Memorials Officer on 2 March 2009.**



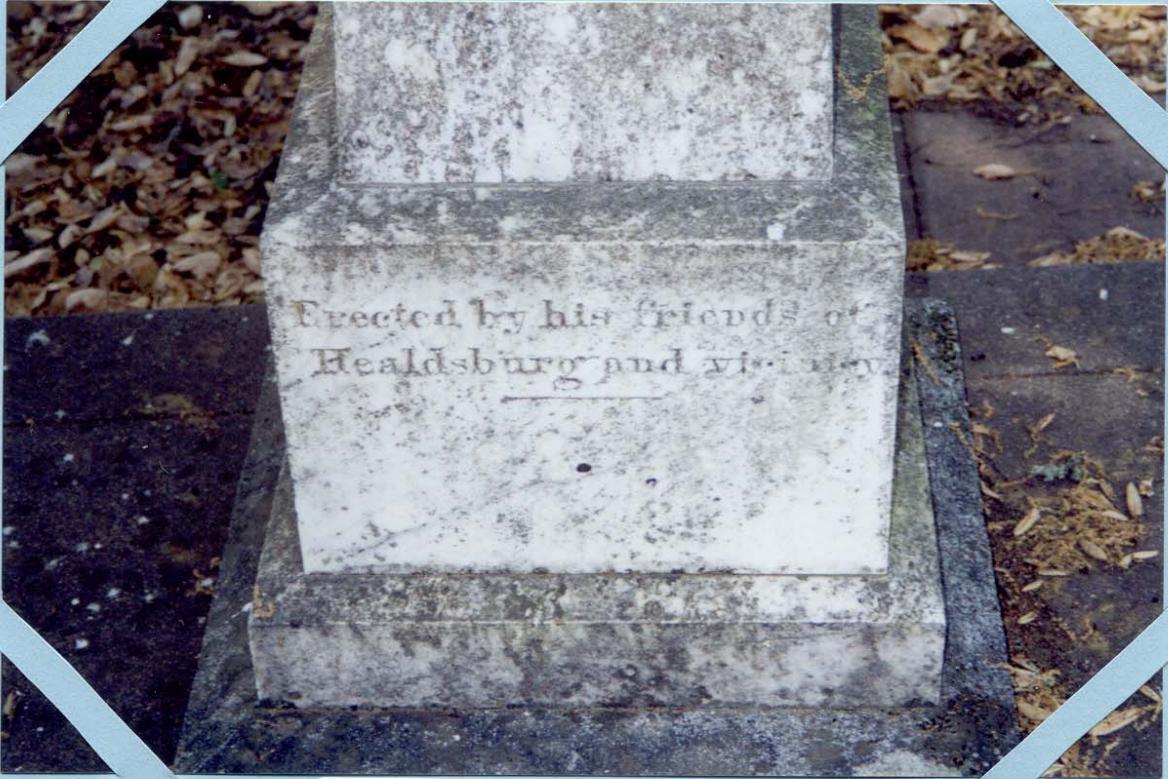
MATHESON MEMORIAL
OAKMOUND CEMETERY
HEALDSBURG, SONOMA COUNTY, CA
PHOTO TAKEN 1 APR 2004 BY
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NORTH FACE LOOKING SOUTHERLY



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NORTH FACE - MONUMENT BASE



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SOUTH FACE - SHOWING SHAFT SPLIT



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Matheson Memorial
Oakmound Cemetery
Healdsburg, Sonoma County, CA
Photo Taken 1 Apr 2004 by
James Spencer, SUVCW
101 Sunrise Mountain Road
Cazadero, CA 95421
East Face - Looking Westerly



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SOUTH FACE-CRACK GOES THRU SHAFT



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MATHESON MEMORIAL - OAKMOUND CEMETERY
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HEADSTONE SOUTH OF MEMORIAL
COL RODERCK MATHESON - 32 NY INF
OAKMOUND SECTION - LOT 108-1