## NATIONAL ORGANIZATION SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

### CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

#### PLEASE:

- 1. Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- 2. 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	
Х	Monument without Sculpture	Historical Marker Plaqu	Je
	Other (flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows,	etc.)	

## Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No	)M.O.L.L.U.S
SUVCW (Camp Name & No	) (Please describe below)
WRC (Corps Name & No	_)
ASUVCW (Aux Name & No)	
DUVCW (Tent Name & No	_)
LGAR (Circle Name & No	_)
X Other State of Massacchussets: Survivors of the 1st MA Heavy Artillery Regiment	

# **Original Dedication Date** May 17, 1901 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 <i>currently</i> loca		
Street/Road address or site lo		
City/Village Spotsylvania 7	Township Courtland Magisterial District County Spotsylvania	
State Virginia	<u> </u>	
Spotsylvania Cou	urthouse is correct city	
The front of the Memorial face	es: North South × East West	
Government Body, Agency, or I Name Central Virginia Battlefields Trust, Ir	Individual Owner (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)	
Dept./Div. A.K.A. "The Civil War Trust"		
Street Address PO Box 3417	C	City
Fredericksburg	State VA Zip Code 22402 Contact	t Person
Unknown	_ Telephone ( ) Unknown	

#### 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 = X_StoneConcreteMetalUndetermined If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) grey granite		
Material of the Sculpture = <u>×</u> Stone <u>Concrete</u> Metal <u>Undetermined</u> If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) <u>Grey Granite</u> If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?"		
Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet =		
Material of Cannon =BronzeIron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm         Markings on muzzle =         Markings on Left Trunion         Right Trunion         Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial?		
Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points         Monument or Base: Height       7'9'       Width       6'6"       Depth       4'4"       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!		
<b>Markings/Inscriptions</b> (on stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture) Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found		
The "Dedication Text" is formed: cut into material $\underline{\times}$ raised up from material face		
Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides) Please use additional sheet if necessary. In commemoration of the deeds of the / First Regiment Heavy Artillery / Massachusetts Volunteers / (Armed as Infantry) /		
Three hundred and ninety eight of whose / members fell within an horn around / this spot during an action fought May 13, 1864 /		
Between a division of the Union Army / commanded by General Tyler and a corps of the / Confederate forces under General Ewell. /		
Erected by the survivors of the regiment / 1901 // Massachusetts		

## **Environmental Setting**

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

- Cemetery
- \_\_\_\_ "Town Square"
- \_\_\_\_ Municipal Building
- \_\_\_\_ Courthouse
  - Traffic Circle

Park
Post Office
State Capitol
College Campus
Library

Plaza/Courtyard School		
Other: Suburban		
neighborhood, about 400' from		
nearest road.		

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#### General Vicinity

Rural (low population, open land)	X 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 On brow of hill with trees surrounding. Monument enclosed by an ornamental iron fence of about 20' X 20' square.

## **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)		
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	×NoUnabl	e to tell

#### Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? \_\_\_\_Yes <u>×</u>\_\_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? X 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). 38° 14.043 N, 77° 34.215' W.

Monument sits on the site of the Harris farm. The original Harris Farm house stood about 450' to the north of the monument, but in ~2012 it was torn down by the present owner and a modern home erected in its place.

# **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 16 Apr 2016	
Your Name Jay A. Rarick, P.C.C.	
Address 13705 Mayfair Court	City Woodbridge
State VA Zip Code 22193-4414	Telephone ( )
What Order or Organization is submitter a	a member of? SUVCW, Dept. of the Chesapeake, Irish Bde Camp No.4

Please send this completed form to

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair 1240 Konert Valley Dr. Fenton, MO 63026

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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