

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:

Original Dedication Date Approximately 1865 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 Corner of Walnut Street and Anderson Avenue Old Methodist Cemetery
City/Village &/or Township Frankfort/ Concord Township GPS Coordinates 39° 23' 57.2" N 83° 10' 46.7" W
County Ross State Ohio Zip Code 45628

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Concord Township Trustees
Dept./Div. _____
Street Address 27 West Springfield Street
City Frankfort State Ohio Zip Code 45628
Contact Person Ben Junk Telephone (740) 998-4338 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.) Italian Marble

Material of the Sculpture Stone Concrete Metal Other Is it hollow or solid? Solid

If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Italian Marble

Complete for All Memorials

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

_____ 18' _____ Height Base 4' 6" _____ Width Base 4' 6" _____ 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.

On the north Face:

"In memory of the gallant dead who fell at the Battle of Stone River."

Then follows this list of names:

"Lieutenant W. W. Blacker, Marshall Blacker, E. Fennimore, John Mowbray, Henry Pursell."

On the east side is a tribute of respect to:

"Isaac Hanawalt and Corporal Wm. A. Speaks, who fell at Chickamauga, to Wm. A. Wisehart, 63rd Ohio, killed at Kennesaw, Corporal Jacob Stouch, who fell at Piney Creek, Alabama, and Wm. Shepherd, also of the 63rd, killed at New Madrid, Mo."

On the south face are the names of:

"Sergeant John Peairs, Sergeant John T. Davis, Corporal Josiah Timmons, Corporal Toyal S. Augustus, all killed at Stone River, and Sergeant Augustus Gibson, who died from disease contracted at Andersonville during an imprisonment of fifteen months."

On the west face is a scroll, surmounted by a laurel wreath, and the inscription:

"They gave themselves for their country."

All of these names but three are those of soldiers who served in the 18th Ohio Regiment which, it will be recollected, suffered terribly in the combat in the dark cedars of Stone River. Ranged around, facing inward toward the monument, are the graves of these gallant men. (about 15 headstones)

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 Weather pitted and need cleaning.



[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*.

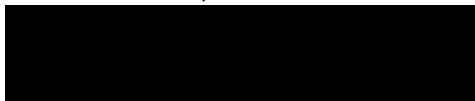
Thank you.

Inspector Identification _____ Date of On-site Survey 20 Feb 2020
Your Name Margaret M. Ackley
Address 209 North Main Street PO Box 76
City Frankfort State Ohio Zip Code 45628
Telephone  

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?
NO

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.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War – Civil War Memorials Committee.

Donald L Martin
National Patriotic Instructor
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

WE BURY THE BRAVE Jan 2010

When we read the list of dead and wounded from battle after battle in the Civil War we sometimes forget that each of those casualties was plucked from civilian life and placed on a sometimes distant battlefield. The following is an article that appeared in the *Scioto Gazette* on February, 10, 1863.

"The reinternment at Frankfort (Ohio) of some of Ross County's noble sons who fell in the great battle of Stones River, Tenn. this day presented a scene more solemn and imposing than any perhaps ever witnessed in this village or vicinity. It was the re-internment of ten brave men who fell in the Battle of Stone River, Tenn.

On Wednesday morning the bodies arrived from Cincinnati, eleven in all. At noon, eleven wagons in gloomy procession were moving slowly to town with the bodies to be deposited in the Baptist Church to await their burial. So impressive was the scene that scarcely a dry eye of the hundreds that witnessed the procession was to be seen.

The following are the names of the persons whose bodies were brought from the battlefield: Capt. P. E. Taylor, Lieut. W.W. Blacker, Sgt. John Pearce, Sgt. John Davis of Co. E and Cpl Josiah Finemore, Cpl Royal Augustus and Pvts. John F. Mowbray, Marshall M. Blacker, James Hodeden, Ebenezer Finemore, and Henry M. Persell of Co. A-- all of the 18th Ohio Regiment.

All of these were interred today except James Hodeden who will be buried tomorrow at the Union Chapel near Chillicothe. Capt. P. E. Taylor was buried in the Baptist grave yard near this place. On leaving home it was his last request that if he fell and he was brought home, he should be buried beside his mother, a request which remained improper not to have heeded. The remaining nine were buried in the village cemetery in the following manner:

One large circular vault was dug and the bodies placed in the order of rank on the right and left of Lieut. Blacker; the non-commissioned officers on the right and the privates on the left. Their feet all point to the center where a suitable marker is to be erected.

It may seem doubtful propriety to someone to disinter bodies when once buried and remove them such a distance as was these, but to my mind it seems perfectly proper in this case. Though the fallen hero may be honorably buried upon the battlefield, yet in a hostile country, where no respect will be given in after years to his moldering remains or appreciation to his noble sacrifice. It is but natural that father, mothers, sisters and brothers should crave to bury their fallen in more hospitable soil and besides it is a relief to sometimes visit the tombs of your loved ones and weep our burden of grief away.

I cannot but forbear expressing my profoundest sympathy to Mrs. C. Blacker whose two sons we laid side by side this day. Years ago, left in widowhood she has since depended upon her sons for support, but in the same day and hour, her sons were taken from her. She must now stand alone with a heart rung with grief."

