

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  
 \_\_\_ SUVCW (Camp Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)                      (Please describe below)  
 \_\_\_ DUVCW (Tent Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
 Other: Personal

**Original Dedication Date** 1 July 1917 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: Riverside Cemetery  
 Street/Road address or site location Plymouth Rd, 1/2 mi E. of Lillet Rd., Sect 26  
 City/Village Plymouth Township Plymouth County Wayne

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 City of Plymouth Dept./Div. DPW  
 Street Address 1231 Goldsmith St.  
 City Plymouth State MI Zip Code 48170  
 Contact Person City Clerk Telephone ( 734 ) 453-7737

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**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.) Lt Gray

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

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = \_\_\_\_\_

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 87" Width 100" Depth 76" or Diameter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sculpture: Height 76" Width 34" Depth 26" 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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.

<u>FRONT</u>	<u>BACK</u>
<u>IN MEMORIAM</u>	
<u>A TRIBUTE TO THOSE SONS OF</u>	<u>GIFT OF</u>
<u>PLYMOUTH</u>	<u>HARRY E. BRADNER</u>
<u>WHO OFFERED THEIR LIVES IN THE</u>	<u>JULY 1, 1917</u>
<u>WAR BETWEEN THE STATES</u>	
<u>1861 - 1865</u>	

**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        | _____                                    |

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)**

	Sculpture	Base
Black crusting	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
White crusting	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
Chalky or powdery stone	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
Granular eroding of stone	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>

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) .

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**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 5 SEP 2001

Your Name Richard E. Danes

Address 2612 Burns City Dearborn

State MI Zip Code 48124-3204 Telephone 

SUVCW Camp 427 Senior Vice Commander

Please send this completed form to:

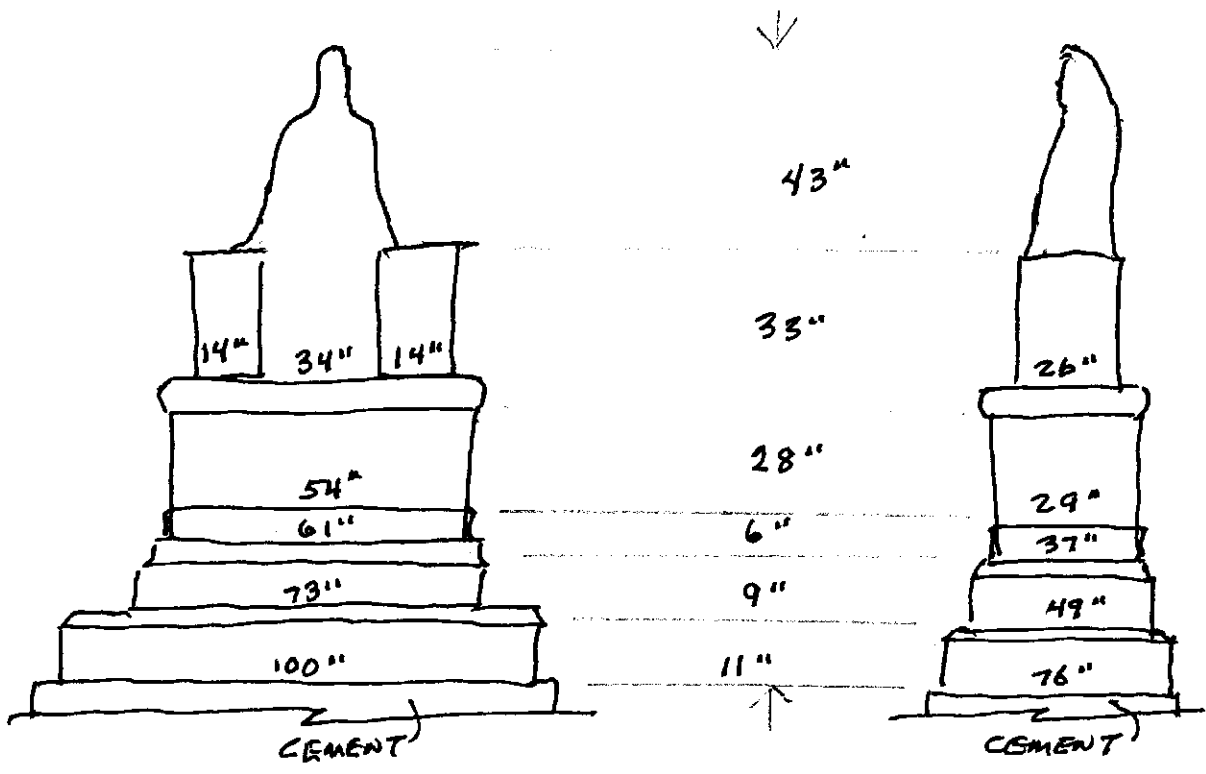
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Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee

North Side of Monument

West side of Monument



field notes

