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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	X Historical Marker	Plaque
<u>Affiliation</u>		
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)	
X Other: Wabash RR Company & Centralia Centennial Com		
Original Dedication Date	Please consult any/all	newspaper archives for a
local paper's article that would have information on the first	· ·	
Please submit a copy of your findings with full identification of	of the paper & date of publication	n. Thank you.
Location		
The Memorial is <i>currently</i> located at:		
Street/Road address or site location Railroad &	Rollins N 30°12 767' W02° 08 25.	1 '
City/Village Centralia Township		
City/village centralia Township	County box	one
The front of the Memorial faces: North	_X South Ea	st West
Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner	of private cemetery that Me	emorial is located in)
Name City of Centralia		
Street Address 114 So Rollins		
City Centralia	State MO Zip C	ode 65240
Contact Person	Telephone (573)	682-2139
If the Memorial has been moved, please list f		
Originally near this location, then moved in May 1989 to the tow		
N39° 12'42" W92°08'19", then moved again after our inventory	on 11 Mar 2006 to this location to	make way for another
monument	 	
Physical Details	V	
Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannor		
If known, name specific material (color of granite,	, marble, etc.) <u>Red Brick & Mo</u>	ortar

If known, name specific materia	Stone Concrete al (color of granite, marble, etc.) s it solid cast or "hollow?"	
Material of Plaque or Histori	cal Marker / Tablet = Bronze	
Markings on muzzle = Markings on Left Trunion	Iron - Consult known Right Tru the Memorial? If so, or	union
Approximate Dimensions (i Monument or Base: Height _ Sculpture: Height	indicate unit of measure) - taken of the control of	en from tallest / widest points 2 ft or Diameter or Diameter
sheet of paper for each state each statue and any weap separated from this form). The Markings/Inscriptions (on the state of the state	Sculptures, please record the ue and attach to this form. Foons/implements involved (in nank you! stone-work / metal-work of rame? If so, give name & local	Please describe the "pose" of case your photos become monument, base, sculpture)
	ration if on different sides) Please	
Environmental Setting		
(The general vicinity and immediate loc Type of Location	cale surrounding a memorial can play a n	najor role in its overall condition.)
Cemetery "Town Square" Municipal Building Courthouse Traffic Circle	Park Post Office State Capitol College Campus Library	Plaza/Courtyard School Other: street side

General Vicinity Rural (low population, open land) X Town Urban / Metropolitan	burban (residential,	near city)
Immediate Locale (check as many as may apply) X Industrial Commercial X Street/Roadside within 20 feet Tree Covered (composed from the elements (canopy or enclosure, index protected from the public (fence or other barrier) Any other significant environmental factor	pors)	
Condition Information		
Structural Condition (check as many as may apply) The following section applies to Monuments with Sculpture, and Mincluding the base for Monuments with Cannon. Instability in the by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. 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)		_
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 Good Shape	Sculpture	Base
Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial?	Yes No X	Unable to tell

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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Centralia RR Marker

Commemorating Two Notable Civil War Incidents

The Massacre

On this ground, on September 27, 1864, guerilla forces operating against the U.S. government captured a passenger train of the North Missouri Railroad (now Wabash Railroad) as part of a program to destroy the railroad, and shot down 22 Federal soldiers. The depot, all coaches of the train, and a following freight train were set ablaze and destroyed.

The Battle

Near here, on that same afternoon, a pursuing portion of the 39th Missouri Infantry Volunteers engaged the greatly superior guerilla forces. In a wild and merciless battle

The Union troops were almost totally annihilated. In point of fatalities to the vanquished, according to Centralia & Boone County historians, this battle was without parallel in the annals of the Civil War.

Seventy-nine of the soldiers were buried on the railroad right-of-way east of Centralia until 1873, when the War Department removed the bodies to the national cemetery at Jefferson City, Missouri.

[Logo: "Follow the Flag" Wabash]

This marker presented on June 12, 1957 during the Centralia Centennial, by Wabash Railroad Company, Arthur K. Atkinson, President.

[Seal: "Centennial of the Prairie Queen June 9-15 1957 - 100 Years of Progress - Centralia, Missouri" with outline map of Missouri marking Centralia's location]



