

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ballpoint 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

- | | | |
|--|---|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monument <i>with</i> Sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> Monument with <i>Cannon</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaque |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monument <i>without</i> Sculpture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Marker | |

Affiliation

- | | | |
|---|---|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> GAR | Post Name & No. _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> MOLLUS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WRC | Corps Name & No. _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SUVCW | Camp Name & No. _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DUVCW | Tent Name & No. _____ | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other | Description <u>MO Hwy Commission & State Historical Society</u> | |

Original Dedication Date 1955

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.

Location

The Memorial is *currently* located at:

Street/Road address or site location 100 South Main St. Coordinates: W91°31'23" N39°47'56

City/Village Palmyra Township _____ County Marion

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner (of property that Memorial is located in)...

Name State Historical Society/ Marion Co Courthouse Dept./Div. _____

Street Address Unknown

City Columbia State MO Zip Code _____

Contact Person _____ Telephone _____

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 is: Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined

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

Material of the Sculpture is: Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) N/A
 If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" Solid Cast Hollow Undetermined

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet is: Cast Aluminum

Material of the Cannon is: Bronze Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm
 Markings on muzzle are: N/A

Markings on Left Trunion: _____ Right Trunion: _____
 Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? Yes No If so, describe: _____

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points
 Monument or Base: Height 95" Width 66" Depth 6" or Diameter _____
 Sculpture: Height _____ Width _____ Depth _____ 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 stonework / metalwork of monument, base, sculpture)
 Maker or Fabricator mark / name? Yes No
 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...):

Palmyra Palmyra, founded in 1819, was for many years the northernmost town on the Salt River Trail from St. Charles to the Des Moines River. A Federal Land Office for the Salt River area located here, 1824-58, led all others in the state in the sale of public land. In 1827 Palmyra became the seat of a newly organized county named for Revolutionary General Francis Marion.

On the Mississippi near here is the site of Marion City, laid out, 1835, by promoter William Muldrow. His wide sale of lots in the East resulted in an immigration called the "Eastern Run." Development of the new town was stopped by Mississippi floods.

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Environmental Setting

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

Type of Location

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Town Square" | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capitol | <input type="checkbox"/> School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Building | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Courthouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Library |

Other: _____

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

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).

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 21 June 2007

US Grant 68 MO SUVCW

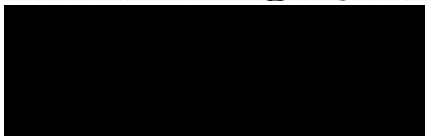
Your Name Walter E. Busch, US Grant Camp



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Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PCC



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee

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