

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:

SUVCW Gen Grenville Dodge #75

Original Dedication Date 4/27/2019 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 Harlington Cemetery
8th Ave SW GPS Coordinates 42.71576 - 92.4700
City/Village &/or Township Waverly
County Bremer State Iowa Zip Code 50677

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Waverly
Dept./Div. Leisure Services
Street Address _____
City Waverly State Iowa Zip Code 50677
Contact Person _____ Telephone (319) 352-6263 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.) _____

Material of the Sculpture Stone Concrete Metal Other Is it hollow or solid? _____
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____

For Historic Marker or Plaque:

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Aluminum face + back PVC core

For Cannons with/without monument:

Material of Cannon = Bronze Iron Type of Cannon (if known) _____

Markings: Muzzle _____ Base Ring/Breech _____ Rifled YES NO

Left Trunion _____ Right Trunion _____

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? Yes No

[For camp/department monuments officer's use: Cannon on list of known ordnance] Yes No

For Other Memorials: (flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

What best describes the memorial

Materials of the Memorial

Complete for All Memorials

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

8" Height 12' Width _____ 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.

See Attached

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 _____

[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 4/27/2019

Your Name Tom Gaard

Address 16541 Valleyview Lane

City Clive State Iowa Zip Code 50325

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?

SUVCW

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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Department of Iowa - Civil War Monuments Bremer County - Waverly

Last Soldier Martin L. Stebbins

Private Martin Stebbins (1845-1938) was the last living soldier of Bremer County. He served in Company F, 1st Iowa Cavalry. This regiment was first organized in 1861 and Private Stebbins joined it in January, 1864 at age 18. He was part of General Steele's expedition into Arkansas and other actions in Arkansas during 1864. In February, 1965, in Memphis, it clashed with Confederate Cavalry under General Nathan Bedford Forrest's command. After the War's end, the regiment served on occupation duty in Texas until February, 1866 under the command of General George Armstrong Custer. After being mustered out, Private Stebbins worked in a harness shop in Waverly - he purchased the shop in 1870 and operated it for over a half a century. He held leadership positions in the GAR Robbins Post 267 in Waverly over many years.

During a snowstorm on April 27, 2019, a ceremony was held to honor Private Stebbins and mark his grave as the last soldier of Bremer County. This was held in Harlington Cemetery in Waverly. The SUVCW and Cedar Valley Civil War Roundtable coordinated the ceremony - other participants included the Waterloo JROTC and the American Legion. Thanks to Jo Porter and Dr. Terry Lindell for providing historical information.



