

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: Missouri Highway Department & State Historical Society of Missouri

Original Dedication Date 1957 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 Courthouse Square, Hwy 72 and South Main
City/Village Fredericktown Township County Madison

The front of the Memorial faces: North South X East West

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

Name County of Madison Dept./Div.
Street Address Hwy 72 & Main St. (Courthouse Square)
City Fredericktown State MO Zip Code 63645
Contact Person Unknown Telephone (573) 783-5515

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

N/A CURRENT LOCATION IS W90*17'39" N37*33'34"

Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = Stone X Concrete X Metal Undetermined
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Bronze & Metal Wood Supports & Concrete

Material of the Sculpture = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____
 If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" Not Applicable

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Probably Bronze

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 NOT APPLICABLE
 NO Cannon is with marker

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points
 Monument or Base: Height 8 feet Width 6 feet Depth 18 inches 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 stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture)
 Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found Not located

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.
<State Seal> [West Face] Fredericktown. Here in the southern extent of Missouri's historic southeast Lead Belt, Fredericktown was laid out on Saine Creek, 1819, by state legislator Nathaniel Cook. Commissioners T. F. Tong, Joseph Bennett, James Dotson, John Burditt, and Henry Whitener chose it as the seat of Madison County, organized, 1818. The town name, according to a tradition is for pioneer George Frederick Bollinger, and the county name honors the U.S. President. [NP] Historical continuity in the area begins with 1715 when La Mothe, Cadillac, French Gov. of Louisiana, seeking silver, found lead at nearby Mine La Motte. Philip Renault opened the mine, 1723, and transient miners operated there throughout the 1700's. First permanent settlement began in 1799 when French-Canadians founded St. Michael, now a part of Fredericktown, on a Spanish grant, and Americans took up land in the county.
(See attached for more, including Civil War Battle)

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"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Courthouse | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | _____ |

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) .

Recheck in 5 years

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 25 Jun 2005 US Grant 68 MO SUVCW
Your Name Walter E. Busch



Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PDC



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee

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(See other side)

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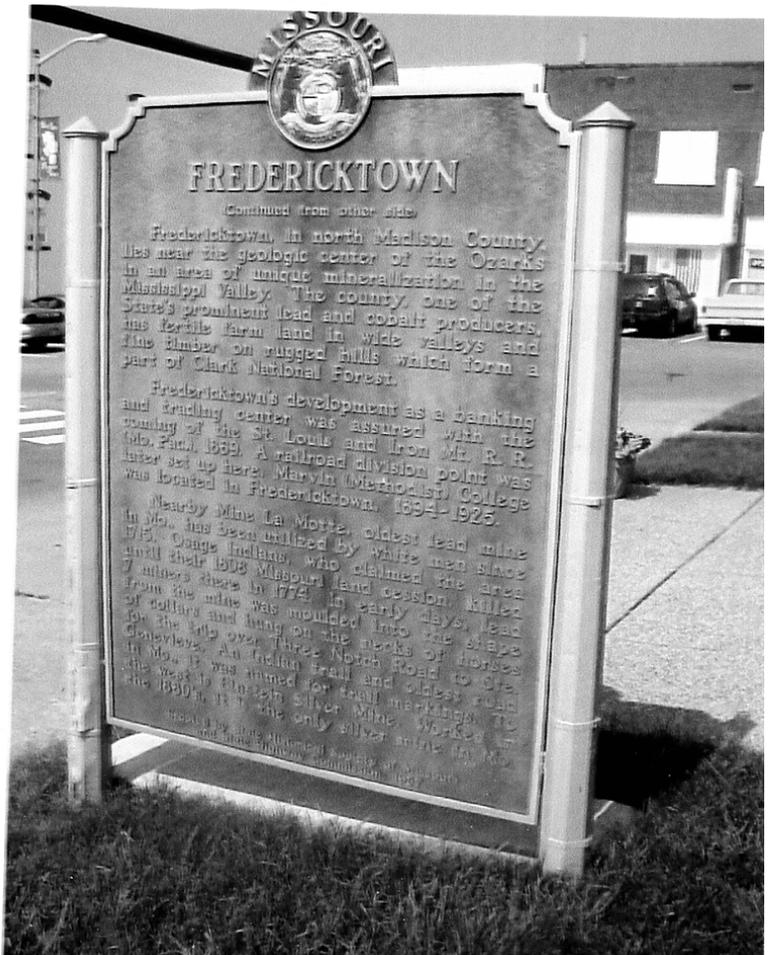
Continued from other side.

Fredericktown, in north Madison County, lies near the geologic center of the Ozarks in an area of unique mineralization in the Mississippi Valley. The county, one of the State's prominent lead and cobalt producers has fertile farm land in wide valleys and fine timber on rugged hills which form a part of Clark National Forest.

Fredericktown's development as a banking and trading center was assured with the coming of the St. Louis and Iron Mt. R.R. (Mo. Pac.), 1869. A railroad division point was later set up here. Marvin (Methodist) College was located in Fredericktown, 1894-1925.

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