

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 without Sculpture
Monument with Cannon
Historical Marker
Plaque

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No.)
W.R.C. (Corps Name & No.)
SUVCW (Camp Name & No.)
DUVCW (Tent Name & No.)
Other: Historic Madison County Historical Society, Fredericktown, MO
M.O.L.L.U.S.
Other Allied Order
(Please describe below)

Original Dedication Date 4 June 2005 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 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 Concrete Metal Undetermined
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Probably Bronze & Steel

Material of the Sculpture = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Probably Painted Steel
 If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" Hollow

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 _____
 NO Cannon is with marker

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points
 Monument or Base: Height 12 feet Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter 4 inches
 Sculpture: Height 3 1/2 feet Width 2 feet Depth 2 feet 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.

"Old Abe" War Eagle Trail

The piercing scream of a bald eagle mascot, "Old Abe", led the 8th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry into 36 battles during the Civil War against the Confederacy.

The Battle of Fredericktown, October 21, 1861, was the first battle on the War Eagle Trail, which passes through Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana.

The 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) adopted "Old Abe", The Wisconsin War Eagle, as its mascot upon the division's activation in August 1942.

Since World War II these soldiers, nich named the "Screaming Eagles", are recognized worldwide for their dedication, courage and valor.

Environmental Setting

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

Type of Location

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| <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 checked="" 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 | _____ |

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? <small>(look for signs of exterior rust)</small>	<u> NEW </u>	<u> NEW </u>
Any evidence of structural instability? <small>(look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)</small>	<u> NO </u>	<u> NO </u>
Any broken or missing parts? <small>(look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)</small>	<u> NO </u>	<u> NO </u>
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? <small>(also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)</small>	<u> NO </u>	<u> NO </u>

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

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

Monument is new.

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) .

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

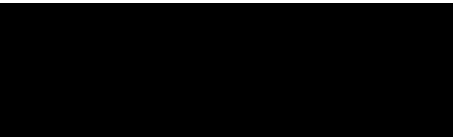
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Your Name Walter E. Busch



Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PDC



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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"OLD ABE"
WAR EAGLE TRAIL

THE piercing scream of a bald eagle mascot, "Old Abe," led the Old Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry into 55 battles during the Civil War, against the Confederacy.

THE BATTLE OF HENDERSONTOWN, OCTOBER 21, 1862, WAS THE FIRST BATTLE ON THE WAR EAGLE TRAIL, WHICH RANSE THROUGH MISSOURI, ARKANSAS, MISSISSIPPI AND LOUISIANA.

THE 100th AFRICAN DIVISION (AIR ASSAULT) ABOUT "OLD ABE," THE WISCONSIN WAR EAGLE, AT ITS MARCH UPON THE DIVISION'S ACTIVATION IN AUGUST 1942. SINCE "SCREAMING EAGLES," AIR REGIMENTAL WORMS, FOR THEIR DEDICATION, COURAGE AND FAITH.

