

# NATIONAL ORGANIZATION SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

## CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

**PLEASE:**

1. Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
2. 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  
 Other ( flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

**Affiliation**

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)     M.O.L.L.U.S  
 SUVCW (Camp Name & No. Phelps Camp No 66 & Dept of Mo SUVCW)    (Please describe below)  
 WRC (Corps Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
 ASUVCW (Aux Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
 LGAR (Circle Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_)  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Original Dedication Date** Sept 26 2009 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 Battle of Lexington SHS Grounds N39°11'28.0 W93°52'39.7"  
 City/Village Lexington Township \_\_\_\_\_ County Lafayette  
 State MO.

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

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

Name MO DNR DSP Battle of Lexington SHS  
 Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address 1101 Delaware City \_\_\_\_\_  
Lexington State MO Zip Code 64067-0006 Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_  
 Site Administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) 660-259-4654

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

### 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.) Black Marble

#### SUVCW -- CIVIL WAR

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?" \_\_\_\_\_

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

Monument or Base: Height 5.5 ft Width 4.5 ft Depth 30 in 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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.

See attached for text

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Town Square"      | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office     | <input type="checkbox"/> School          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Building | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capitol   | Other: <u>Battlefield</u>                |
| <input 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.

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
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)

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
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

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) .

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\_\_\_\_\_

**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 04/23/2012

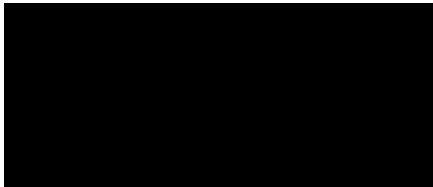
Your Name Walter E Busch



What Order or Organization is submitter a member of? US Grant Camp

Please send this completed form to

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail. SONS OF UNION V

CIVIL WAR VETERANS OF THE National Civil War Memorials Committee



# Camp News

## Phelps Camp # 66



### LEXINGTON MONUMENT CEREMONY

(From the "Union Defender" newsletter of Phelps Camp #66, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War)

Well, it's all over! Blessed with great weather and a crowd of approximate-ly 60 people, the men of Phelps Camp dedicated our monument in Lexington on September 26. Our thanks to all those who gave donations to the project and/or participated in the ceremony. Congressman Ike Skelton and all the other

speakers gave excellent presentations, our color guard (about a dozen members of Holmes Brigade) performed flawlessly, and David Luff, (descendant of Medal of Honor recipient George Henry Palmer) not only traveled all the way from California , but brought both the medal and a federal flag saved by Palmer at the siege. The staff of Battle of Lexington SHS deserve our thanks as well for their support and enthusiasm. Huzzah for the Union defenders of Lexington , for Phelps Camp, and for all those who strive to honor America 's veterans!



Hello to all Phelps Camp members!

Today, while I was stuck at home, I read the Sunday News-Leader October 25, 2009 edition. And much to my great pleasure on page 1-C was a News-Leader 2008 file photo of Phelps Camp members participating as the Parade of the Wars marching unit at the 2008 Veterans Day Parade. Once again, our Parade of the Wars common soldier entry is the best remembered from each year's Veterans Day Parade. (e-mail from John Rutherford)



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## Union units at Lexington

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Home Guard

23rd Illinois Infantry

1st Illinois Cavalry

13th Missouri Infantry

14th Missouri Home Guard  
Infantry

27th Missouri Mounted Infantry

Van Horn's Battalion

Berry's Cavalry Battalion

## The Medal of Honor



**George Henry Palmer**

1841-1901

1st Illinois Cavalry

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[SUV Badge]

[Crossed US Waving Flags]

[Front]

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