

# 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  Cite (flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)  
Freedom Rock

### Affiliation

GAR  MOLLUS  SUVCW  WRC  ASUVCW  
 LGAR  DUVCW  Other The Freedom Rocks are funded by private donations

If known, record name and number of post, camp, corps, auxil ary, tent, circle or appropriate information of other groups:

Original Dedication Date Sept. 11, 2020 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 Waukon City Park  
1013 Rossville Rd. GPS Coordinates 43.25650 -91.474083  
City/Village &/or Township Waukon  
County Allamakee State Iowa Zip Code 52172

The front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West

### Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Waukon  
Dept./Div. Park & Rec  
Street Address 101 Allamakee St.  
City Waukon State Iowa Zip Code 52172  
Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (563) 568-3491 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.) boulder

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 = \_\_\_\_\_

**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

\_\_\_\_\_ 5' Height \_\_\_\_\_ 12' Width \_\_\_\_\_ 6' 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.

There now is a Freedom Rock in each county in the state, these are painted by Ray "Red" Sorenson -  
See attached for historical data on the 2 CW soldiers on the Rock

**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 Very nice large park on south side of town. Monum next in on east side of park.

[ 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 SUCVW Memorial Grant Application Form and Instructions.

Thank you.

**Inspector Identification**

Date of On-site Survey 7-3-21

Your Name Tom Gaard

Address 16541 Valleview Lane

City Clive State Iowa Zip Code 50325

Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

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

SUCVW Grenville Dodge Camp #75

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.

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR - CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS COMMITTEE.**





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### Iowa Civil War Monuments

[Allamakee County](#): [Waukon](#)

GPS Coordinates: [43.256500](#) by [-91.474083](#)

#### Allamakee County Freedom Rock

This Freedom Rock honors Civil War soldiers David Reed (1841-1916) of Waukon and James Gilbert (1824-1884) of Lansing.

Reed entered the war as a Private in the 12th Iowa Infantry Regiment. He was wounded at Shiloh where the Regiment fought in the Hornet's Nest. He fought in numerous engagements in the war and was mustered out as a Major. After the war, he returned to Waukon and served as Postmaster and County Recorder. In 1895 he became the Historian at the Shiloh National Park for many years and received much acclaim for marking the positions of regiments and the numerous monuments.

Gilbert was a liveryman, lumberman, and Indian trader who settled in Iowa in 1851 and was a founder of the town of Lansing. He was appointed the Colonel of the 27th Iowa Infantry Regiment, being involved in numerous battles west of the Mississippi and, later in the war, at Nashville and around Mobile. He was promoted to the Brigade level and was breveted as a Major General at the end of the war. After the war, he returned to Iowa and continued in the lumber business.

The Freedom Rock was painted by Ray "Bubba" Sorensen. It is located on the east edge of Waukon City Park on the south side of town. Thanks to Jo Porter for information about this monument. The left side of the Rock in the second photo honors Arthur Brandt and Hugh Kidder, both killed in WWI. Photos taken 6/3/21.





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