

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:

Original Dedication Date July 4, 1869 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.

The bronze plaques added by WRC 1927

Location

The Memorial is *currently* located at:

Street/Road address or site location Courthouse Van Buren + N. 12th sts
GPS Coordinates 40.734316 - 92.874416

City/Village &/or Township Centerville

County Appanoose State Iowa Zip Code 52544

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West ~~South west~~ North

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Appanoose County

Dept./Div. Auditor

Street Address 201 N 12th

City Centerville State Iowa Zip Code 52544

Contact Person _____ Telephone (641) 856-6191 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.) marble

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) 12 pounder Napoleon M1857Markings: Muzzle No. 154 H V H & Co. 1239 15th 1863 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_____ 20' Height _____ Width _____ Depth or _____ Diameter

44" 24" bronze tablets

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.There are 3 bronze tablets with approx 300 soldiers from the area listed.The 4th tablet says:Union Soldiers MonumentErected July 4, 1869Bronze Tablets added to Monument 1927 by
Womens Relief Corps

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.

Very old (1869) marble monument with eagle on top. Good condition considering age. The cannon with recent concrete platform and new carriage looks great!

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 9-25-18

Your Name Tom Gaard

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

SUVCW 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.

Department of Iowa - Civil War Monuments
Appanoose County - Centerville

Monument and Cannon at Courthouse

This monument was constructed in 1869 and is one of the oldest in the state. The bronze tablets were attached in 1927. About 300 CW veterans in the area are listed on the tablets with many from the 6th and 36th Iowa Infantry Regiments and the 3rd Iowa Cavalry. The cannon is a 12 pounder bronze Napoleon, M1857, cast at Henry N. Hooper and Co. Since my previous visit in 2014, the cannon was moved to a concrete slab by the monument and a new carriage was built. This was a major improvement. Photos taken 9/25/18. The last photo is a copy of an old undated postcard provided by Danny Krock.





