

Last Soldier of Hancock County  
James T. Jackson

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION  
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR  
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

Type of Memorial (check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Monument \_\_\_ with S. 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:

Grenville M. Dodge Camp #75

Original Dedication Date 10-20-17 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 Amsterdam Township Cemetery  
W. of town on 120th St. GPS Coordinates 42.938056 -93.804167  
City/Village &/or Township Kanawha  
County Wright State Iowa Zip Code 50447

The front of the Memorial faces: \_\_\_ North \_\_\_ South \_\_\_ East \_\_\_ West  
unknown

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Township Trustees  
Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person Jim Hanson Telephone (641) 762-3414 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.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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 = Aluminum face + back PVC core

**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

8" Height 12" Width      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.

*see attached  
note he is last soldier of Hancock but is buried  
in Wright County.*

**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**

Rur (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.

Inspector Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Date of On-site Survey 10-20-17  
Your Name Danny Kroetz  
Address 29949 610th Avenue  
City Cambridge State Iowa Zip Code 50046  
Telephone  E-Mail 

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?  
SUVCW Grenville M. 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  
Wright County - Kanawha

**Last Soldier James T. Jackson**

Corporal James Jackson (1844-1936) was the last living soldier of Hancock County but was buried in Wright County. A native of Ireland, he served in Company D of the 36th Wisconsin Infantry. On October 20, 2017, SUCVW members Danny Krock, Dan Green and Don McGuire honored Corporal Jackson by placing a marker and holding a ceremony at his gravesite. This is located in the Amsterdam Township Cemetery west of Kanawha on 120th Street. The gravesite is in the SW corner of the cemetery. Photo taken 10/20/17.

