

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 with Cannon
 Monument *without* Sculpture Historical Marker Plaque

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. _____) M.O.L.L.U.S.
 W.R.C. (Corps Name & No. _____) Other Allied Order
 SUVCW (Camp Name & No. _____) (Please describe below)
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. _____)
 Other: Wilson's Creek Battlefield Foundation

Original Dedication Date between 1990s-2006 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 NW Corner of Mt Vernon W93°17'33" N37°12'14"
 City/Village Springfield Township _____ County Greene

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 Wilson's Creek Battlefield Foundation Dept./Div. _____
 Street Address c/o Wilson's Creek National Battlefield, 6424 W. Farm Road 182
 City Republic, State MO Zip Code 65738
 Contact Person Unknown Telephone (417) 732-2662 ext. 227

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

N/A

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.) Metal, Plexiglass, Polymers

Material of the Sculpture = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) not applicable _____
 If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" _____

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Laminated Plastic & Plexiglass

Material of Cannon = Bronze Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm
 Markings on muzzle = not applicable _____
 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 3 1/2 feet Width 4 feet Depth 2 1/2 feet 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 not applicable _____

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.

TITLE: The Battle of Springfield Marker 3
Just east of this location stood Union Fort No. 4, a 160-foot-square earthen redoubt surrounded by a deep trench.
During the night of January 7-8, 1863, two 12 pound howitzers were placed in the fort. These guns were found on the grounds of the Presbyterian Church and were mounted on
fabricated carriages which were built during the night. Lt. J. Hoffman, a convalescing officer, was selected to command the guns at fort No. 4.
The fort was defended by a company of the 74th Enrolled Missouri Militia and companies from the "Quinine Brigade,"
a collection of convalescing Union soldiers assembled from the military hospitals, along with a makeshift citizens' company.

 Marker erected by the Wilson's Creek Battlefield Foundation
 This marker donated by the Downtown Springfield Association

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 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>Sidewalk</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Courthouse | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | _____ |

Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? ___ Yes X No ___ Unable to determine

If known, identify type of coating:

___ Gilded ___ Painted ___ Varnished ___ Waxed ___ Unable to determine

Is the coating in good condition? ___ Yes X No ___ Unable to determine

Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?

X 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) .

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 12/19/2006

Your Name Walter E. Busch, US Grant Camp #68 Commander



Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PDC



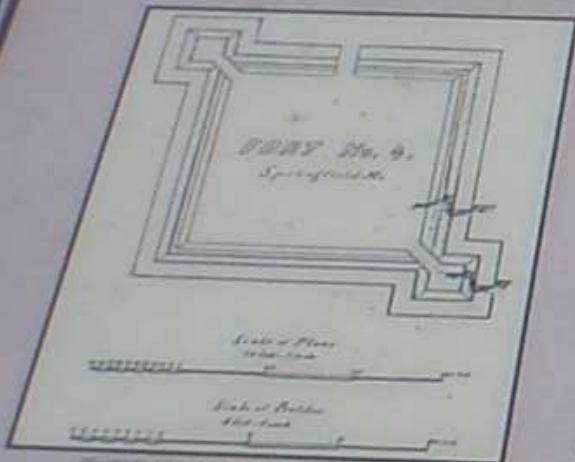
Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee

Marker 3



★ BATTLE OF SPRINGFIELD ★



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12 Pound Howitzer

Photo courtesy of Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

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