

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 1990 and 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 Main St. SW of Mt. Vernon W93°17'50" N37°12'14"
City/Village Springfield Township County Greene

The front of the Memorial faces: X 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 X Metal Undetermined
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Metal, plexiglass and 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 9

At this site, facing south, the 250 men of the 72nd Enrolled Missouri Militia (EMM) met the Confederates' afternoon attack. Although earlier routed from its position along Walnut Street, between Campbell and Main, by Col. Emmett McDonald's regiment, the 72nd EMM rallied along Jordan Creek under Brig. Gen. C.B. Holland and Col. Henery Sheppard. From this point the men of the 72nd fought valiantly. The afternoon fighting was house to house, behind fences, and through alleys and backyards. The 4th Missouri State Militia were forced to fall back to Fort No. 2. The 72nd bore the brunt of the battle and withdrew to a new position along Jordan Creek, suffering 20% casualties during the fighting.

Marker erected by the Wilson's Creek Battlefield Foundation
This marker donated by James R. Cox

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 Other: Sidewalk
Courthouse College Campus
Traffic Circle 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.

	Sculpture	Base
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)

	Sculpture	Base
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 19 Dec 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

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## ★ BATTLE OF SPRINGFIELD ★



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Forcing the Union retreat

Watercolor painting by D. L. Coonin courtesy of James R. Cox

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