

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ballpoint 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 without Sculpture
Monument with Cannon
Historical Marker
Plaque

Affiliation

- GAR Post Name & No.
WRC Corps Name & No.
SUV CW Camp Name & No.
DUV CW Tent Name & No.
Other Description City of Independence, Missouri
MOLLUS

Original Dedication Date

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.

Location

The Memorial is currently located at:

Street/Road address or site location Parking lot at N Main & W Truman (N39°05.633' W094°24.946')
City/Village Independence Township County Jackson

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner (of property that Memorial is located in)...

Name City of Independence, Missouri Dept./Div.
Street Address
City Independence State MO Zip Code
Contact Person Telephone

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 is: Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.)

Material of the Sculpture is: Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined

If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____

If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" Solid Cast Hollow Undetermined

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet is: Metal _____

Material of the Cannon is: Bronze Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm

Markings on muzzle are: _____

Markings on Left Trunion: _____ Right Trunion: _____

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? Yes No If so, describe: _____

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points

Monument or Base: Height _____ Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter _____

Sculpture: Height 8'0" _____ Width 4'0" _____ Depth 1" _____ or Diameter 5" post _____

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 stonework / metalwork of monument, base, sculpture)

Maker or Fabricator mark / name? Yes No

If so, give name & location found: _____

The "Dedication Text" is formed: cut into material raised up from material face

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...):

<p>Tour Stop D SECOND BATTLE OF INDEPENDENCE OCTOBER 1864</p> <p>After heavy fighting at the Little Blue River on the 21st, Price's Confederate army forced Blunt's cavalry to retreat to the Big Blue River, leaving a rear guard in town. Shelby's Confederates reached town in the late afternoon. After a brisk fight Union troops were driven to the west end of town. Price's army and wagon train then camped in and around Independence. On the 22nd Pleasonton's Union cavalry, pursuing Price from the east, made a mounted charge through town driving Fagan's Confederates to the west.</p> <p>South, right on Lexington, left on River Blvd. to Stop E.</p> <p>Funded by the City of Independence, Missouri</p>
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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"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> "Town Square" | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capitol | <input type="checkbox"/> School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Building | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Courthouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Library |

Other: Downtown Independence, Missouri _____

General Vicinity

- Rural (low population, open land)
- Suburban (residential, near city)
- Town
- Urban / Metropolitan

Immediate Locale (check as many as may apply)

- Industrial
- Street/Roadside within 20 feet
- Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)
- Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)
- Commercial
- Tree Covered (overhanging branches)

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)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any evidence of structural instability? (look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any broken or missing parts? (look for elements - sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any cracks, splits, breaks, or holes? (also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

	Sculpture	Base
Black crusting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
White crusting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chalky or powdery stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Granular eroding of stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - please describe:

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

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).

The memorial seems to be well maintained.

Supplemental Background Information

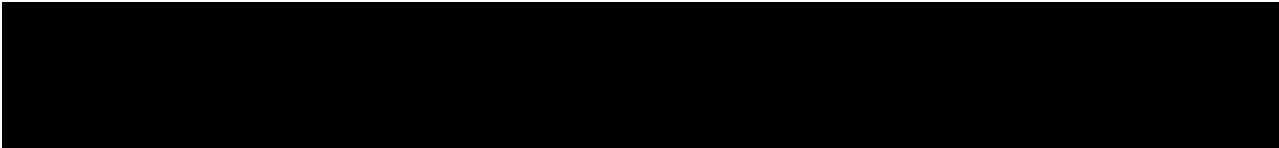
In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment. Thank you.

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 2/18/2007

Westport 64 MO SUVCW

Your Name Brian Smarker



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Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PCC



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee



Tour **Stop D**
SECOND BATTLE
OF INDEPENDENCE
OCTOBER 1864

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