

Cherokee  
CW Monument

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:

GAR Custer Post No 25

Original Dedication Date Unknown <sup>was a re-dedication 5/4/2014</sup> 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 Oak Hill Cemetery - follow Main St. west of town GPS Coordinates 42.748716 -95.575583  
City/Village &/or Township Cherokee  
County Cherokee State Iowa Zip Code 51012

The front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Cherokee  
Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address 416 W Main St.  
City Cherokee State Iowa Zip Code 51012  
Contact Person Chris Herton Telephone (712) 225-3535 ext \_\_\_\_\_  
Sexton

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 gate, 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 = \_\_\_\_\_

**For Cannons with/without monument:**

Material of Cannon = \_\_\_\_\_ Bronze \_\_\_\_\_ Iron Type of Cannon (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Rifled \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Markings: Muzzle \_\_\_\_\_ Base Ring/Breech \_\_\_\_\_

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

18' Height 5' Width <sup>at base</sup> 5' Depth or \_\_\_\_\_ Diameter  
28" 28" where inscription is

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  
 Only inscription is on North side  
 "Erected by Custer Post No 25 Department of Iowa  
 GAR In memory of our comrades"  
 "1861 1865"

**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: Small Veterans head stone - 2' x 1' x 1' stone located in area with about 50 - one unidentified

[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.

*In good condition in nice area of cemetery*

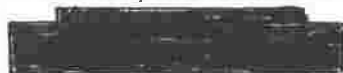
Inspector Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Date of On-site Survey 9-22-21  
Your Name Tom Gaard  
Address 16541 Valleyview Lane  
City Clive State Iowa Zip Code 50325  
Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

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:

Wait Busch, PDC, Chair  
1240 Konert Valley Dr.  
Fenton, MO 63026



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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**Iowa Civil War Monuments**  
[Cherokee County](#): Cherokee  
GPS Coordinates: [42.748716 by -95.575583](#)

## Civil War Monument

This is a 18 foot obelisk in Oak Hill Cemetery. It is in the Civil War section in the SE part of the cemetery. The inscription says "Erected by the Custer Post No 25 Department of Iowa GAR in memory of our Comrades." It is located west of town. Follow Main Street west to the cemetery which is about 1/2 mile out of town. The first two photos were taken 9/22/21. The third photo was taken 5/4/14 at a monument re-dedication ceremony led by members of the SUVCW Kinsman Camp.





VETERAN  
1861-1865  
MILITARY  
RECORD  
UNKNOWN



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