

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:

Col. William Kinsman Camp #23

Original Dedication Date Sept. 27, 2008 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 East Park Fifth & Court
GPS Coordinates 41-304833 -95-078583
City/Village &/or Township Lewis
County Cass State Iowa Zip Code 51544

The front of the Memorial faces: ___ North South ___ East ___ West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Lewis
Dept./Div. _____
Street Address _____
City Lewis State Iowa Zip Code 51544
Contact Person _____ Telephone () _____ ext _____
Very small town - no record of a "City Hall" or phone contact
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.) The plaque is on a boulder
Material of the Sculpture ___ Stone ___ Concrete ___ Metal ___ Other Is it hollow or solid? _____
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____

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 _____

[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 5/12/18

Your Name Tom Gaard

[Redacted contact information]

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:

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

[Redacted return address]

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 Cass County - Lewis

Monument for Iowa 23rd Infantry Regiment

Company I of the Iowa 23rd was mustered on this spot at the courtyard square at Lewis, the former county seat of Cass County. All 97 men in Company I were from Cass County. The Iowa 23rd was best known for their heroic action at Big Black River on May 17, 1863 in the Vicksburg Campaign. The SUVCW Kinsman Camp #23 presented the monument to the City of Lewis. The SUVCW dedication was September 27, 2008. The location, now known as East Park, is at Fifth and Court on the east side of town. Photos taken 9/27/08. On a subsequent visit it was noted that an impressive new Veterans memorial was constructed in the NE corner of the Park. This includes a "Freedom Rock" by artist Ray "Bubba" Sorensen - one side of the rock has a painting of the 23rd Iowa. This photo was taken 5/12/18.

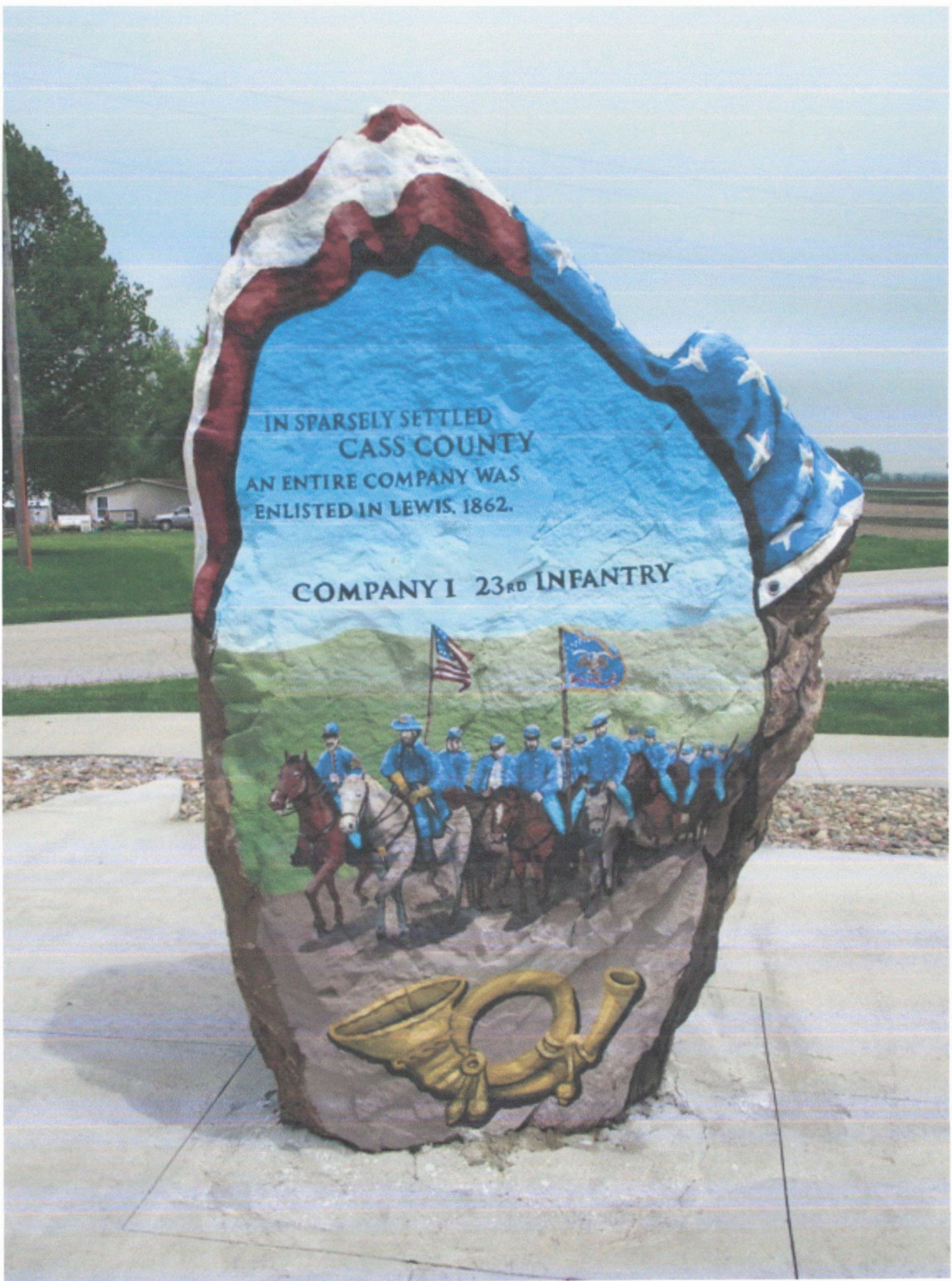


IN MEMORY OF THE MEN OF
COMPANY I
23RD IOWA VOLUNTEER INFANTRY
WHO WERE MUSTERED HERE
AUGUST 1862

MAY THEIR SACRIFICE
NEVER BE FORGOTTEN

DEDICATED SEPTEMBER 27, 2008
BY THE
CITY OF LEWIS
AND
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
COL. WILLIAM H. KINSMAN CAMP NO. 23

STONE DONATED BY HALLETT MATERIALS



IN SPARSELY SETTLED
CASS COUNTY
AN ENTIRE COMPANY WAS
ENLISTED IN LEWIS, 1862.

COMPANY I 23RD INFANTRY