

Soldier Monument
& Cannon
Burlington

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 Des Moines County Soldiers Relief Commission

If known, record name and number of post, camp, corps, auxiliary, tent, circle or appropriate information of other groups:

GAR Mathies Post No 5

The Soldiers Lot dedicated Aug 10, 1894

Original Dedication Date

May 30, 1912

statue Restoration Aug. 10, 2015

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

Aspen Grove Cemetery - near Corse

St. entrance

GPS Coordinates 40.826583 - 91.11740

City/Village &/or Township

Burlington

County

Des Moines

State

Iowa

Zip Code

52601

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Aspen Grove Cemetery Association

Dept./Div.

Street Address 2043 Sunnyside Ave

City Burlington

State Iowa

Zip Code 52601

Contact Person

Telephone (319) 752-3619 ext _____

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.) _____

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) 6 pdr. Field Gun M1841 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

25" Height 8' Width 8' Depth or base Diameter
2' 4' plaques on monument

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

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 Large, old, hilly cemetery. Wonderful restoration done with dedication in 2015 w/ CW Vet stones

[To detail the condition of a monument used the addendum form for *Monument's Condition*]

with attractive fence around area.

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*.

Very attractive - one of best!

Thank you.

Inspector Identification _____ Date of On-site Survey 9-1-20

Your Name Tom Gaard

Address 16541 Valleyview Lane

City Clive State Iowa Zip Code 50325

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

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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Department of Iowa - Civil War Monuments
Des Moines County - Burlington

Soldier Monument and Cannon in Aspen Grove Cemetery

The GAR Section of the Aspen Grove Cemetery in Burlington has been wonderfully restored. The re-dedication was August 10, 2015. There are 87 Civil War Veterans buried here. Close to the impressive 25 foot monument is a cannon, a 6 pounder field gun, M1841. The plaques on three sides of the monument are much improved. The photos show the monument, the bronze plaques on the sides of the monument, the cannon and two other plaques in the GAR Section. The photos were taken 6/23/16 except for the cannon which was taken 9/1/20. The Cemetery is in the north part of town. Take Osborn Street - then west on Corse Street to the Cemetery. The General John Corse Mausoleum and General Karl Matthies Memorial are nearby.





