

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 unknown

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

Original Dedication Date July 4, 1896 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 Crapo Park south of town
off Madison Ave GPS Coordinates 40.77610 -91.10380
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 City of Burlington
Dept./Div. Parks and Recreation
Street Address 400 Washington St.
City Burlington State Iowa Zip Code 52601
Contact Person _____ Telephone (319) 753-8158 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.) bronze

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

base 10' Height 9' Width 12' Depth or _____ Diameter
 statue 8' 3' 8'

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**Inscriptions are "Allatoona Oct 5, 1864" "Corse" and "Hold the Fort"**There is also an information board with data about Gen. Corse and the battle at Allatoona Pass where he was victorious commander.*

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 city park on south edge of town

[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 2006 the statue was restored after vandels damaged it. a fence now protects it. Very good condition

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

General John Corse Statue

John Corse was a native of Burlington and was best known as the victorious commander of Federal troops at the Battle of Allatoona Pass, Georgia on October 5, 1864. Corse and three other Iowa generals were honored with equestrian statues on the Soldiers and Sailors Monument in Des Moines. This statue is a replica with the same mold being used for both statues. It was dedicated on July 4, 1896 at a cost of \$4000 for the statue and large stone base. It was wonderfully restored in 2006. The statue is in Crapo Park on the south edge of town. Follow Main Street south to the park. From this entrance, drive through the park and the statue is on the right toward the south part of the park. Photo taken 9/1/20. Copies of old undated postcards were included - one shows a large Parrott Cannon in the park that is gone - thanks to Danny Krock for providing these. We presume the cannon was melted down for scrap in World War II.



