

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

Lucas Co. Veterans Memorial Park

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

Committee

This park has been a work in progress starting in 2016  
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. Thank you.

Location

The Memorial is currently located at:

Street/Road address or site location 1023 Linden Avenue  
GPS Coordinates 41.0135 -93.3094  
City/Village &/or Township Chariton  
County Lucas State Iowa Zip Code 50049

The front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Lucas Co. Veterans Memorial Park Committee  
Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person Earl Comstock Telephone (641) 774-4406 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.) black granite

Material of the Sculpture  Stone  Concrete  Metal  Other Is it hollow or solid? \_\_\_\_\_  
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) black granite

**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\_\_\_\_\_ 7' Height \_\_\_\_\_ 36" Width \_\_\_\_\_ 10" Depth or \_\_\_\_\_ Diameter  
60" 14" base

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 &amp; location found \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach legible photographs of all text &amp;/or Record the text in the space below. Please use the addendum - narrative sheet if necessary.

*See attached**149 CW soldiers on stone. these were fallen soldiers.**there is also a boulder with "Civil War 1861-1865"**inscribed*



**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
- School
- Municipal Building
- Plaza/Courtyard
- State Capitol
- "Town Square"
- Courthouse
- Post Office
- 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.

*Very nice Veterans Park with plans for additional memorials*

**Inspector Identification**

Date of On-site Survey 6-13-20

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  
Lucas County - Chariton

Lucas County Civil War Monument

Over 700 men from Lucas County left to serve in the Civil War. 149 of them gave their lives and are shown on this impressive monument. There are a number of other monuments/memorials dedicated to Veterans from other Wars. Examples shown are a Purple Heart memorial and a replica of the bell from the USS Iowa. Thank you to Earl Comstock for providing information about this wonderful Veterans Park which has been completed in recent years. The Lucas County Veterans Memorial Park Committee has the overall responsibility. The location is at 1023 Linden Avenue just SW of the Chariton business district. Photos taken 6/13/20.

After I visited this site in June, 2020, artist Ray "Bubba" Sorensen painted a Freedom Rock in July, 2020. Included on the lower left below is Daniel Iseminger, Captain of Company B, 6th Iowa Infantry. He was killed at the battle of Shiloh on April 6, 1862 and is buried in an unmarked grave at the National Cemetery there. The Chariton GAR Post No. 18 was named in his honor. Thanks to Jo Porter for providing photos and information.





