

# 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 Colfax Memorial Club

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

In addition to a Veterans Memorial dedicated to all veterans, there are 20 identical concrete benches with plaques on each dedicated to GAR + WRC

Original Dedication Date 1939 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 Highland Cemetery  
663 Boise Street GPS Coordinates 41.670266 - 93.243666  
City/Village &/or Township Colfax  
County Jasper State Iowa Zip Code 50054

The front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West

### Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Colfax  
Dept./Div. Public Works  
Street Address 400 S. Hastings  
City Colfax State Iowa Zip Code 50054  
Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (515) 674-3829 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 = bronze

**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

6" Height 9" Width      Depth or      Diameter

*size of 2 small plaques on benches*

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 photos of concrete bench and small plaque.  
Am not reporting on Veterans Memorial which  
is not really a CW Memorial*

**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 Very nice location in Cemetery

[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.

*good condition*

Inspector Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Date of On-site Survey Oct. 8, 2017  
Your Name Tom Gaard  
Address 4302 165th Lane  
City Clare State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code 50325  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?

SUVCW Gen. Grenville Dodge #75

Please send this completed form to:

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair  
1240 Konert Valley Dr.  
Forton, MO 63025



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  
Jasper County - Colfax

**Veterans Memorial**

The Highland Cemetery, 663 Boise Street, Colfax, has a Veterans Memorial honoring all veterans with two concrete benches flanking the memorial. Each bench has an identical GAR and WRC plaque. The Veterans Memorial is about 12 feet high made of concrete painted white. The monument and benches were dedicated in 1939. Follow Walnut Street (main N/S street) south of town to the cemetery. The monument is visible from the first entrance. Photos taken 10/8/17.







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