

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:

Launtz Post #215

Original Dedication Date May 30, 1919 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.

*see attached for more historical information*

Location

The Memorial is currently located at:

Street/Road address or site location ~~Pleasant~~ Pleasant <sup>Hill</sup> Cemetery  
Eagle Avenue + 470th St. GPS Coordinates 42.967900 - 96.315483  
City/Village &/or Township Ireton  
County Sioux State Iowa Zip Code 51027

The front of the Memorial faces:  North  South  East  West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Ireton  
Dept./Div. City Clerk  
Street Address 502 4th St.  
City Ireton State Iowa Zip Code 51027  
Contact Person Carel Liston Telephone (712) 278-2112 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.) red granite

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

\_\_\_\_\_ 20' Height \_\_\_\_\_ 5' Width \_\_\_\_\_ 5' Depth or \_\_\_\_\_ Diameter

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 photos. soldiers on 3 sides of monument.*

**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) *cemetery*

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.

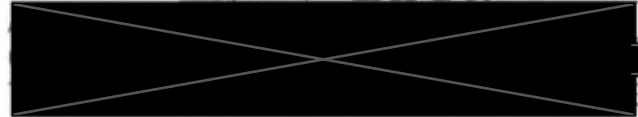
Addendums attached to this electronic file are the *Monument's Condition* and the *Narrative* forms. Only the *Monument's Condition* form is required if you are requesting grant money using form CWM-62 *SUVCW Memorial Grant Application Form and Instructions*.

Thank you.

*great looking monument.*

Inspector Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Date of On-site Survey Aug 30, 2016

Your Name Tom Gaard

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\_\_\_\_\_ -Mail GaardT@aol.com

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 Sioux County - Ireton

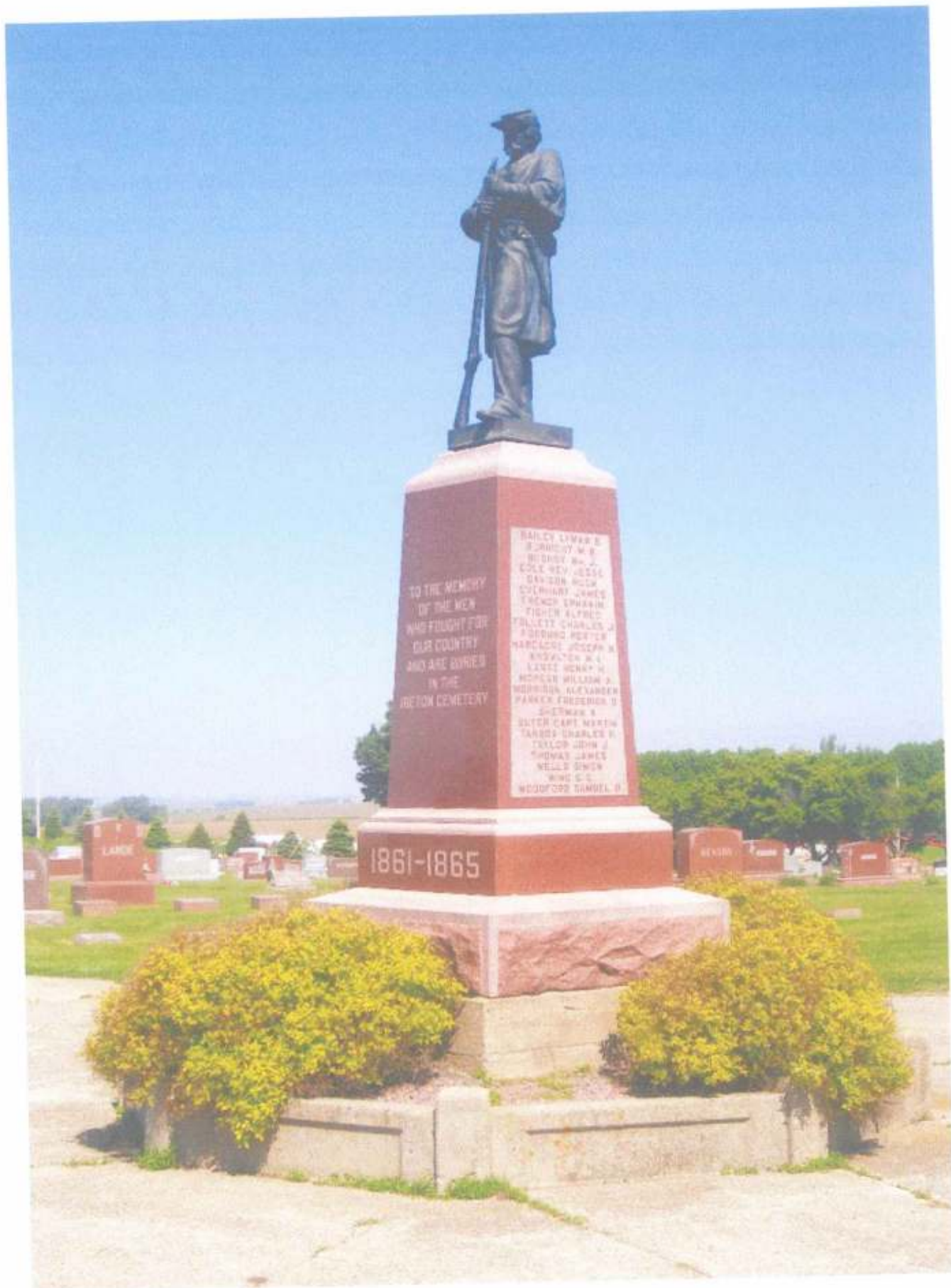
### Civil War Soldier

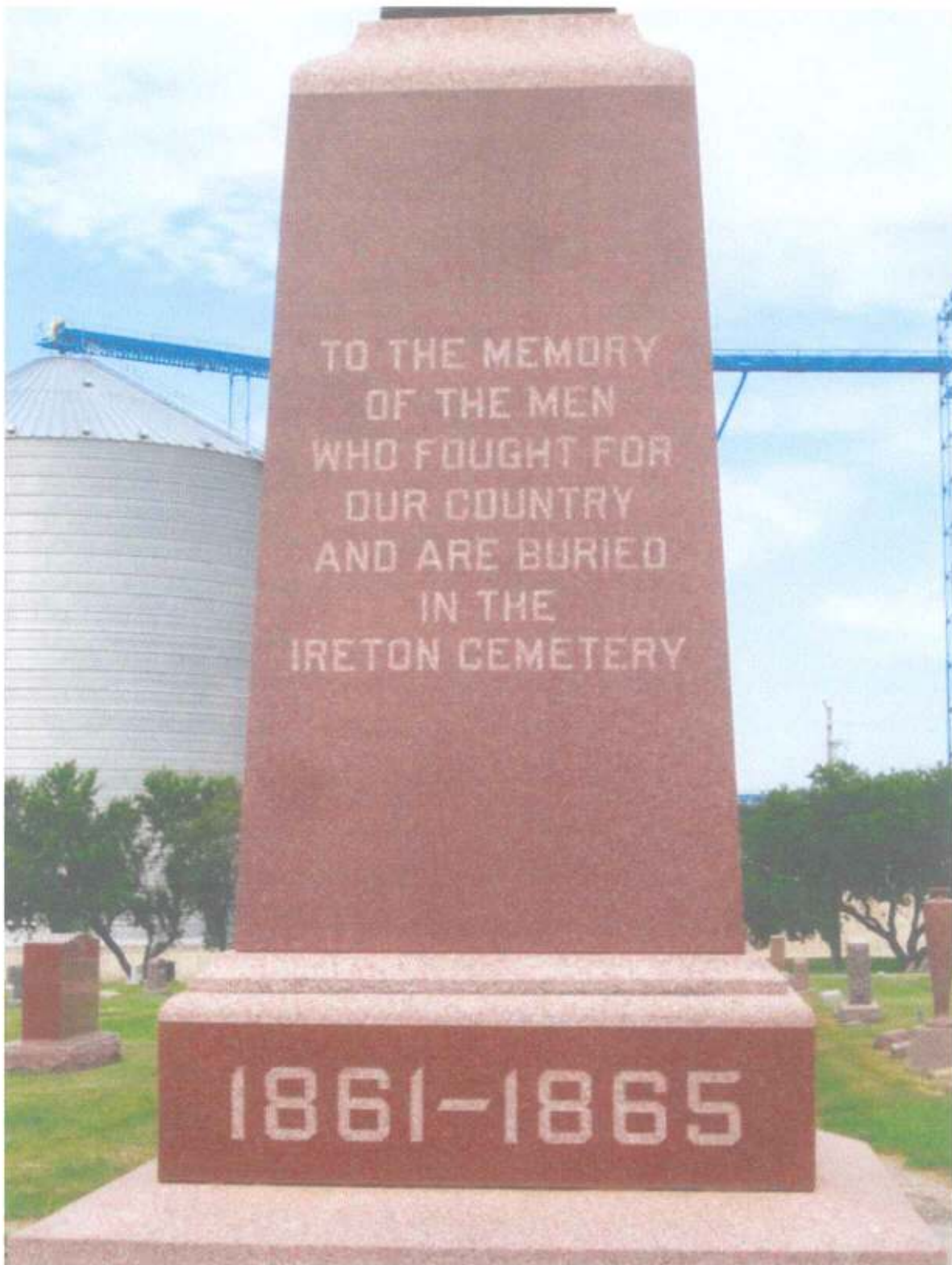
This monument in Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Ireton was erected by Launtz (or Lantz) Post 215 of the GAR in May of 1919 and dedicated on Memorial Day, May 30, 1919. It consists of a life-size bronze statue of a Civil War soldier atop a granite obelisk, centerpiece and then a larger base. Engraved on the obelisk is the following: To The Memory Of The Men Who Fought For Our Country And Are Buried In The Ireton Cemetery. On the centerpiece is engraved: 1861-1865. Facing the monument, the right side is engraved with the names of Civil War soldiers who were buried in the cemetery as of 1919. The left side is engraved with the names of World War Heros - these are men from the Ireton Community who died in service in World War I. The back of the monument is engraved with the names of the committee who spearheaded the monument - the 3 remaining members of the GAR post who had not died prior to the dedication of the monument. In recent years, the American Legion updated a bronze plaque to the rear side of the monument with the names of Ireton servicemen and women who died in World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

Planning for the monument began prior to World War I. In 1917, after "lobbying" by the Ireton and Hawarden GAR posts, the Sioux County Board of Supervisors instituted a 1/2 mill levy for a "Soldiers Monument Fund" as permitted by Section 430 of the 1915 Supplement to the Code of Iowa. Later the Board distributed the funds by allocating \$100 per Civil War or Spanish-American War soldier buried in each cemetery seeking to build a monument or memorial chapel. Funds were provided to Ireton, Hawarden, Rock Valley, Boyden and Hull. Ireton received \$2400 for the soldiers buried there and raised the remaining cost of the monument by subscription. The Ireton GAR committee visited the cemetery in LeMars, Plymouth County while planning the monument and there is a great deal of similarity between the two monuments.

The monument serves as the centerpiece of the cemetery and is the focus of the community's Memorial Day services. The cemetery is located on the southeast corner of Ireton at Eagle Avenue and 470th Street. From the north, take County Road K30 to the cemetery.

This interesting information was provided by the Ireton Area Historical Society. The first photo was taken on May 28, 2009 - the others August 30, 2016.









Those Who Died In Service

WORLD WAR II

Robert C. Cooper  
Howard W. Dirks  
Arthur E. Larson  
Harold L. Marienau  
Leo C. Rohlfs  
Reuben C. Schipper  
Theodore G. Sneider

KOREA

Glen E. Van Engen  
Marlin N. Walraven

VIETNAM

Rosalie V. Bertram  
Bruce D. Liston  
Terry M. Westergard

L. M. BLACK  
JOHN G. EMERY  
FRED FRANKE  
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