

# 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:

Robert Provand WRC No. 157

**Original Dedication Date** May 30, 1904 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 Carson Cemetery Hwy 59 + Carson Ave.  
 GPS Coordinates 41.23990 - 95.40490

City/Village &/or Township Carson  
 County Pottawattamie State Iowa Zip Code 51525

The front of the Memorial faces: ☐ North ☐ South ☒ East ☐ West

**Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner**

Name City of Carson  
 Dept./Div. City Hall  
 Street Address 316 South Commercial St.  
 City Carson State Iowa Zip Code 51525  
 Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (515) 484-3636 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.) granite

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) 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 ft Height 12" Width 12" Depth or Diameter  
where inscription is

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 \_\_\_\_\_

[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.

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 5/10/18

Your Name Tom GAARD

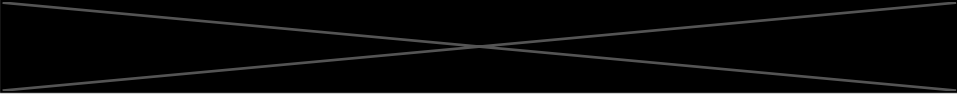
E-Mail gaardt@aol.com

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

SUVCW Gen. 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**  
Pottawattamie County - Carson

**Unknown Soldier Civil War Monument**

This 4 foot monument was erected by the WRC May 30, 1904. There is an unusual wooden flagpole behind the monument. The Carson Cemetery is just east of town. The monument is the first stone to the right after entering the cemetery from the Carson Avenue entrance - not the Highway 59 entrance. Thanks to Mike Carr for information about this monument and other monuments in this region. The first photo was taken 9/1/08 - the second one 5/10/18.





