

# 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:

G A R Stanfield Post #359

**Original Dedication Date** Memorial Day, 1916 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** There was also a re-dedication on June 4, 2016 after monument was restored.

The Memorial is currently located at:

Street/Road address or site location Oakwood Cemetery - south of town  
take 105th st. to cemetery GPS Coordinates 41-497516 -94-508833  
 City/Village &/or Township Casey  
 County Guthrie State Iowa Zip Code 50048

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

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Person Barry Telephone (515) 249-6560 ext \_\_\_\_\_  
(sexton)

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.) interior concrete blocks  
with concrete "plaster" on exterior  
 Material of the Sculpture ☐ Stone ☐ Concrete ☐ Metal ☐ Other Is it hollow or solid?  
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) wooden soldier sculpture

>This form may be photocopied.<

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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

\_\_\_\_\_ 12' Height \_\_\_\_\_ 70" Width \_\_\_\_\_ 48" Depth or \_\_\_\_\_ Diameter

*The wooden carving soldier in life size.*  
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.

*This monument was falling apart so the restoration and the new wooden sculpture was a wonderful change.*

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 6-29-18

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 Greenville 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.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR – CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS COMMITTEE.

**Department of Iowa - Civil War Monuments**  
Guthrie County - Casey

**GAR Memorial Oakwood Cemetery**

This monument had been in poor condition but was repaired in 2016. It is about 12 feet high. The only inscriptions are "G.A.R." and "Memorial." The monument was dedicated on Memorial Day, 1916 by the GAR Stanfield Post #359. In 2016 a wonderful chain saw carving of a Civil War Soldier by artist Dave Bussard was placed by the monument. See photos of the restored monument, the carving and the old photo at the dedication with many Civil War Veterans. Also, photos from the re-dedication of the monument on June 4, 2016. The cemetery is south of Casey – turn east on E Hayes Drive (also called 105th Street) and follow it to Oakwood cemetery. Take the second entrance into the cemetery and the monument is visible from the entrance. The town of Casey is in Guthrie County but this cemetery is actually over the line in Adair County. Thank you to Dan Rittel for information and photos.









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