

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 unknown

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

Original Dedication Date unknown 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 Montrose Cemetery
1st St. N. of town GPS Coordinates 40.53355 - 91.420233
City/Village &/or Township Montrose
County Lee State Iowa Zip Code 52639

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

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Montrose
Dept./Div. _____
Street Address 102 S. 2nd St.
City Montrose State Iowa Zip Code 52639
Contact Person _____ Telephone (319) 463-5533 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 = _____

For Cannons with/without monument:Material of Cannon = _____ Bronze ☒ Iron Type of Cannon (if known) 24 pdr Flank Howitzer ^{M1844}

Rifled _____ YES _____ NO

Markings: Muzzle 168 JWR Base Ring/Breech USLeft Trunion 1847 Right Trunion CA + Co BostonIs 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

_____ Height _____ Width _____ 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 & 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.

*Very good condition - 3 CW Vet
headstones in addition to Rev War Vet.*

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 10-5-20

Your Name Tom Gaard

Address 16541 Valleyview Lane

State Illinois Zip Code 60375

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.
Eaton, MO 62026

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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Department of Iowa - Civil War Monuments
Lee County - Montrose

Montrose Cannon

This is a 24 pounder flank howitzer, M1844 cast at Cyrus Alger & Co. in 1847. It was restored in 2008 which is a great improvement. Also in the photo is the tombstone of Cato Mead, the only African-American Revolutionary War Veteran known to be buried in Iowa. As a comparison before restoration, the cannon in the old upright position with a carved wooden owl on top is also shown below. It is in the Montrose Cemetery north of town. Take 1st Street north to the cemetery. The cannon is on the left as you enter the cemetery. The photo after restoration was taken 8/3/10. The photo before restoration was taken 12/29/07.



