

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- Do not guess at the information. An answer of, "Unknown," is more helpful.
- Include a photograph of each viewable side and label it with name & direction of view.

- Thank You.

Type of Memorial

☒ Monument *with* Sculpture

 ☒ Monument with Cannon
☐ Monument *without* Sculpture

 ☐ Historical Marker

 ☐ Plaque

Affiliation

☐ G.A.R. (Post Name & No. _____)

 ☐ M.O.L.L.U.S.
☐ W.R.C. (Corps Name & No. _____)

 ☐ Other Allied Order
☐ SUVCW (Camp Name & No. _____)

 (Please describe below)
☐ DUVCW (Tent Name & No. _____)
☒ Other: Unknown

Original Dedication Date 1875

 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 Courthouse Square
 City/Village Muscatine Township _____ County Muscatine

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

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)...

Name Leslie A. Soule

 Dept./Div. County Auditor
 Street Address 414 E. Third St. Suite 201
 City Muscatine

 State IA

 Zip Code 50325
 Contact Person Leslie A. Soule

 Telephone (563) 263-5821

If the Memorial has been moved, please list former location(s)...

Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon =
 ☐ Stone
 ☐ Concrete
 ☐ Metal
 ☐ Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) white marble

Material of the Sculpture = ☒ Stone ☐ Concrete ☐ Metal ☐ Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) White Marble
 If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" _____

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Bronze plaques with names of fallen Muscatine County soldiers

Material of Cannon = ☐ Bronze ☒ Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm

Markings on muzzle = _____

Markings on Left Trunion _____ Right Trunion _____

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? ? If so, describe There is a cannon ball stuck in the monument. There are 2 24 pounder flank howitzers M1844 in front of the monument. ball stuck unsure if real.

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points

Monument or Base: Height 14' Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter _____

Sculpture: Height 6'2" Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter _____

Column 22' total height 40'

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue 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 Bronze plaques with over 400 fallen Muscatine County soldiers.

The "Dedication Text" is formed: _____ cut into material _____ raised up from material face
on bronze plaque

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...) Please use additional sheet if necessary.

See attached photo

Environmental Setting

(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.)

Type of Location

☐ Cemetery

☒ "Town Square"

☐ Municipal Building

☒ Courthouse

☐ Traffic Circle

☐ Park

☐ Post Office

☐ State Capitol

☐ College Campus

☐ Library

☐ Plaza/Courtyard

☐ School

Other: _____

General Vicinity

☐ Rural (low population, open land)
☒ Town

☐ Suburban (residential, near city)
☐ 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 _____

This is a wonderful location on the courthouse square
in downtown Muscatine. The old courthouse is kept in
great condition - it has a rotunda on interior

Condition Information**Structural Condition** (check as many as may apply)

The following section applies to Monuments *with* Sculpture, and Monuments without Sculpture -

including the base for Monuments with *Cannon*. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	Sculpture	Column	Base
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed? (look for signs of exterior rust)	_____	_____	_____
Any evidence of structural instability? (look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	yes	yes	yes
Any broken or missing parts? (look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	yes	_____	_____
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	yes	yes	yes

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

	Sculpture	Column	Base
Black crusting	_____	_____	_____
White crusting	_____	_____	_____
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	_____	_____	_____
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	_____	_____	_____
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	_____	_____	_____
Chalky or powdery stone	yes	yes	yes
Granular eroding of stone	yes	yes	yes
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	yes	yes	yes
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	_____	_____	_____
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...	_____	_____	_____

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unable to tell

Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unable to determine
 If known, identify type of coating.

☐ Gilded ☐ Painted ☐ Varnished ☐ Waxed ☐ Unable to determine

Is the coating in good condition? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unable to determine

Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?

☐ Well maintained ☐ Would benefit from treatment ☒ In urgent need of treatment ☐ Unable to determine

Overall Description

needs to be replaced

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on).

In addition to comments already made, the monument is somewhat unusual with the 22 foot column.

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. Thank you.

Inspector Identification

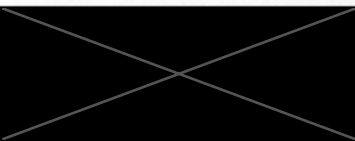
Date of On-site Survey *April 20, 2010*

Your Name *Tom Gaard*

[Redacted] telephone (515) *226-1961*

I have visited the site several times - last one on
 Please send this completed form to: *April 20, 2010*

Kevin P. Tucker, PDC, Chair



civilwarmemorials@verizon.net

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
 National Civil War Memorials Committee

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL FUND REQUEST(FORM CWM #62)
Requester InformationCAMP AND DEPARTMENT NAME: Gen. Grenville Dodge Camp #75, Dept. of Iowa
(Please print or type)ADDRESS: David Lamb, CC

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP CODE:

NAME OF CONTACT PERSON: Tom Gaard

ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

PHONE(S): 515 226-1961

Memorial or Monument Information

NAME OF MEMORIAL: Muscatine Civil War Monument

LOCATION: (Name and address of cemetery or other location description, such as, corner of 3rd and Lincoln Street)

Courthouse Square, Muscatine, IowaWHEN WAS IT BUILT: 1875WHO OWNS IT: Muscatine County

WHO IS FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR IT: Muscatine County

ARE MATCHING FUNDS AVAILABLE: No FROM WHERE: _____

ARE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE: Yes FROM WHERE: A very active community fund raising campaign is under way.

AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED: \$500

DESCRIBE WORK THAT THESE FUNDS ARE NEEDED FOR: (Be specific, use back if necessary)

The existing marble monument has deteriorated to the point where it is beyond repair. It was decided that only approach would be to replace existing monument. The new monument will have same appearance except that more durable granite will be used rather than marble. See attached specifications sheet.

WHO EVALUATED THE NEED FOR THE WORK AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS: _____

David Arbogast, Architectural Conservator, Davenport, Iowa - BA, Architecture MS in Restoration Columbia Univ. Numerous restoration projects. Iowa state

WHO WILL DO THE WORK DESCRIBED AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS: _____

Memorials by Michel, Solon, Iowa. Recommended by Mr. Arbogast

WHO WILL RECEIVE THE FUNDS IF GRANTED: Muscatine Civil War Memorial,

Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine,

208 W. 2nd St. , Muscatine, IA 52761

Attn. Judi Holdorf, Executive Director

SUVCW MEMORIAL GRANTS REQUEST
2009 - 2010

GRANT REQUEST # 2009-10-10

Project Name: Muscatine Civil War Monument

Camp: Wooster Gen. Greenville Dodge Camp 75, Dept. Iowa

Monument Location: Court House square, Muscatine, Iowa

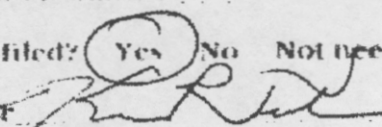
Contact Person: Tom Gaard

Check Payable to: Muscatine Civil War Memorial, Community Foundation of
Greater Muscatine

Amount Requested: \$500.00

Existing Monument ☒ **New Monument** ☐ **Last Soldier Project** ☐

Memorials assessment report filed? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not needed

Signature of Memorials Officer:  Kevin Tucker, PDC

Paid:

Please initial your vote next to your name, then sign and date below, once completed, fax or email to Bob Petrovic, Fax# 636-274-4568, Email: rpetru2726@aol.com, who will send it to Richard Orr, National Treasurer for payment.

Approved ☐ **Denied** ☐ **Tabled** ☐

Robert M. Petrovic, PDC

RMP

Perley E. Mellor, PDC

P E M

Tad D. Campbell, PDC

Signature

Robert M. Petrovic

Date

5/23/10

Signature

Perley E. Mellor

Date

5/29/10

Signature

Date

Comments:

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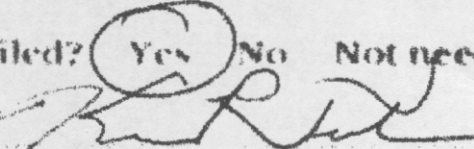
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Approved Denied Tabled

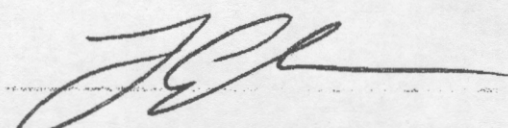
Robert M. Petrovic, PDC *RMP*

Perley E. Mellor, PDC

Tad D. Campbell, PDC *TDC*

Signature *Robert M. Petrovic* **Date** *5/23/10*

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Signature  **Date** *5-31-2010*

Comments:

Robert M. Petrovic, PDC, Chair
SUVCW Memorials Grant Committee

May 12, 2010

Brother Bob,

Please consider a grant of \$500 for the Muscatine, Iowa Civil War monument. Muscatine had a proud history in the Civil War. The first Iowan killed in the war was Shelby Norman of Muscatine County, who lost his life at Wilson's Creek on August 10, 1861. Several regiments were mustered and trained at Camp Strong, located near Muscatine. Over 500 men from the county were killed in battle, died of wounds or died of disease.

A wonderful 40 foot Civil War monument was dedicated on the courthouse square in Muscatine on July 4, 1875. Unfortunately, the marble has severely deteriorated and is beginning to crumble. The soldier atop the monument was considered a hazard and it was removed on March 1. It was not practical to attempt to restore the existing monument and it was decided to replace it with a new monument in the same image. A light colored granite will be used instead of the white marble.

The existing monument has inscriptions of men from the county who gave their lives for their country. Unfortunately, about 60 were inadvertently left off and there was no room to add them. The new monument will correct this unfortunate situation and have space for all fallen Muscatine County soldiers.

The cost of the replacement monument will be \$255,000. There is an active and enthusiastic committee of Muscatine citizens who are confident that they can raise the money and dedicate the new monument on July 4, 2011. They have an anonymous donor who has given \$25,000. While they will need other large donors like this, they are pushing hard for everyone in the community to participate. They will formally kick off their fund raising campaign on June 12 with a community auction.

They have appreciated the interest and input of the SUVCW, Iowa Department. Company A, 49th Regiment Iowa Volunteer Infantry, an Iowa SVR unit, will attend the June 12 auction. We will be looking toward additional ways to help in future fund raising. A \$500 grant from the National SUVCW would be very timely and much appreciated.

Attached are the Memorial Fund Request Form, Assessment form (CMW #61), photos and a specification sheet. Included are additional copies for the Committee. Please let me know if you have questions or need additional information.

In F, C & L



Tom Gaard, Memorials Officer, Department of Iowa

cc: James Braden, DC, Department of Iowa
David Lamb, CC, Gen. Grenville M. Dodge Camp #75

Enclosed is a rendering for the proposed Muscatine Iowa Civil War Memorial for which we are pleased to quote as follows:

Select Heirloom Blue Gray Granite:

Overall size: 8-0x8-0x40-0; a total weight of 104,000 lbs.

Statue: 2-0x2-0x6-2 Sculpted in full round with rifle - similar to original. Sculpture to be performed by Giuliano Cecchinelli who was formally trained in Carrara, Italy and who's work has been placed in some of the most prestigious halls in America.

Cap: 4-0x4-0x1-6 All Steeled with drop wash and members per rendering.

Column: 3-0x3-0x22-0 All Steeled. Flat Top. Cut Square - no tapers. Sandblast flutes and starts 4 sides per rendering.

Pedestal: 6-0x6-0x5-10 All Steeled. Contoured per rendering. Sandblast carved 4 sides with tooled edges and background to achieve a fully finished appearance.

Sub-base: 6-0x6-0x1-6 All steeled with drop wash.

Bottom Base: 8-0x8-0x1-10 All Steeled with drop wash.

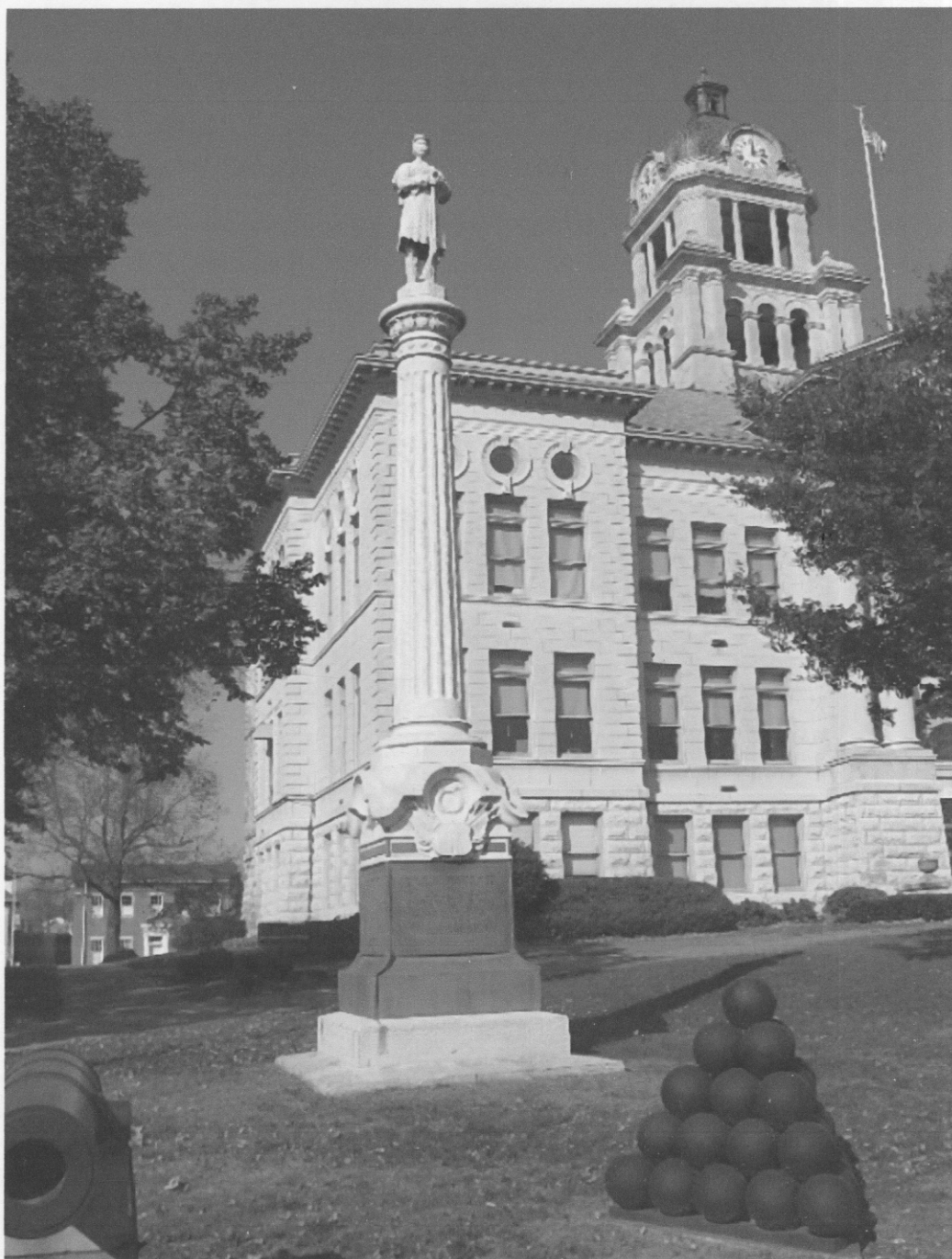
Price includes 600 names sandblasted.

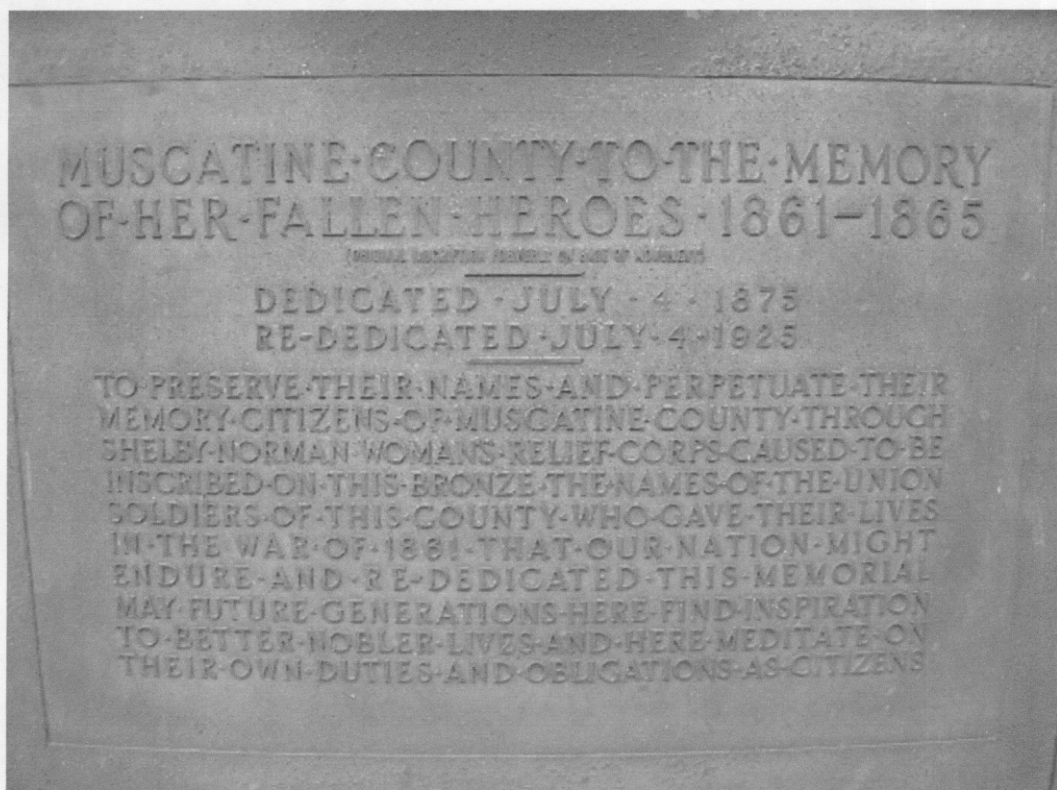
Price to haul and erect memorial on site by our fully insured setter. This price does not include the cost of a crane with qualified operator, and two man-lifts for one to two days which will be necessary, and at your expense.

Price to dismantle existing memorial on same trip is \$5000. This does not include removal of memorial from site.

Total price is \$255,000

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At ease, soldier: Civil War Memorial statue at Muscatine County Courthouse laid to rest

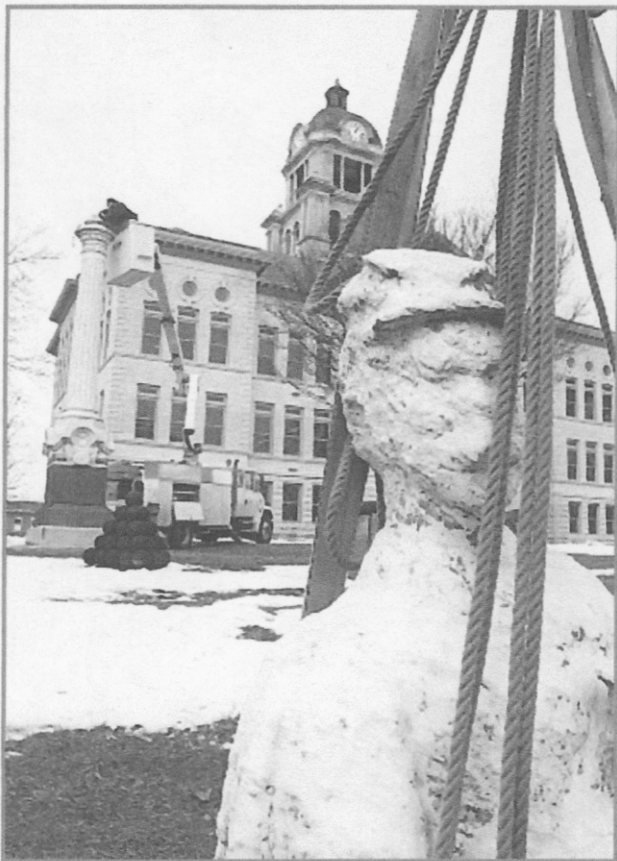
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Beth Van Zandt The Civil War soldier that stood atop of the Civil War Memorial in front of the Muscatine County Courthouse for 135 years was taken down Monday afternoon in hopes of preserving it.

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