

Last Soldier of  
Monroe County

# 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:

Grenville Dodge Camp #75

**Original Dedication Date** June 4, 2017 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 Forest Cemetery  
634 N 9th St. GPS Coordinates 41.30473 -92.63641  
 City/Village &/or Township Oskaloosa  
 County Mahaska State Iowa Zip Code 52577

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

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

Name Forest Cemetery  
 Dept./Div. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address 634 N 9th St.  
 City Oskaloosa State Iowa Zip Code 52577  
 Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (641) 672-2243 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 = aluminum face + back PVC core**For Cannons with/without monument:**Material of Cannon =      Bronze      Iron Type of Cannon (if known)      Rifled      YES      NOMarkings: 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 points8' Height 10' 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 &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 attached. Harvey Bloomfield is the last soldier  
of Monroe County is buried in Mahaska County.



**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

Your Name Tom GaardJune 4, 2017E-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  
Mahaska County - Oskaloosa

**Last Soldier Harvey A. Bloomfield**

Corporal Bloomfield was the last living soldier of Monroe County. While he lived in Albia in Monroe County, he was buried at Forest Cemetery in Oskaloosa in Mahaska County. He was 98 when he died January 10, 1940. He served in Company G, 21st Missouri Infantry. The SUVCW honored him with a ceremony and a plaque on June 4, 2017. Members of the SUVCW and Auxiliary are shown below. The location of the Bloomfield stone is lodged between the Jones and Cosby stones and is difficult to find. It is in section 4 along the west edge of Forest Cemetery. To locate the Cemetery, take Avenue A/Highway 92 to N 9th Street - then north to the Cemetery. Photos taken 6/4/17.

