

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.)

Note: try to record items separately. Cannons near monuments should be recorded & photographed separately, etc. Thank you.

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:

State of Indiana (Monument is the entire building)

Original Dedication Date 1943

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

Lincoln Boyhood Home and National Museum,

The Memorial is *currently* located at: 3027 E S St,

Street/Road address or site location

GPS Coordinates 38°7'6"N 86°59'49"W / 38.11833°N 86.99694°W

City/Village &/or Township Lincoln City

County Spencer

State IN

Zip Code 47552

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

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name National Park Service

Dept./Div. Lincoln Boyhood Home and National Museum

Street Address 3027 E S St

City Lincoln City

State IN

Zip Code 47552

Contact Person

Telephone (812) 937-4541

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) _____

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 [Large Building, Stone, entire park actually monument](#)

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.

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*]

Submission of this form requires at least one type of identification so that you may be contacted regarding the information on this form. This information will most likely be in the public domain. Your name is required; please include one (or more) pieces of contact information.

1. If a member of an Allied Order, the name of your camp, auxiliary, tent, circle or corps; along with your department;
2. Physical Address;
3. Phone Number
4. E-Mail address.

By submitting this, you are allowing the posting of this information on the internet.

Inspector Identification _____ Date of On-site Survey _____
 Your Name Walt Busch, PDC
 Address 1240 Konert Valley Dr
 City Fenton State MO Zip Code 63026
 Telephone () _____ E-Mail cwmemorials@suvchw.org or wbusch@suvchwmo.org

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

General Ulysses S Grant Camp 68, MO-SUVCW. Past Commander - Central Region Allied Orders of the GAR

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. Photographs & GPS Co-ordinates are very much desired.

Pages 4 & 5 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*.

Please mail (or e-mail pdf, and picture files) to:

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair, 1240 Konert Valley Dr., Fenton, MO 63026, cwmemorials@suvchw.org

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War - Civil War Memorials Committee.

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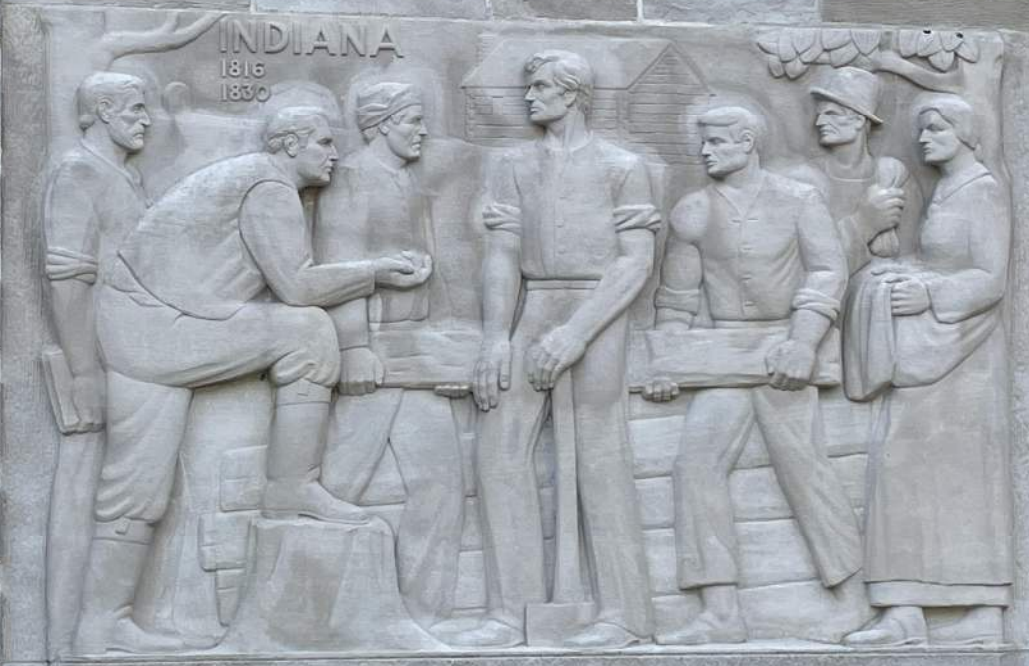
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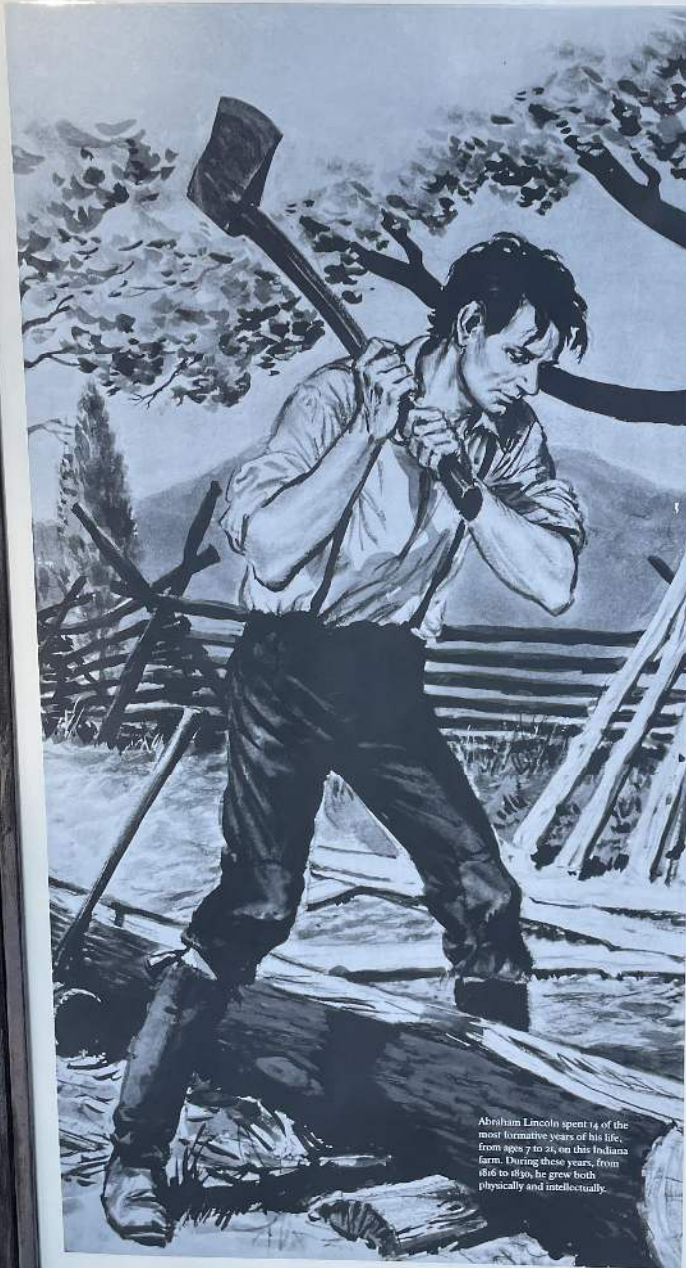
**NATIONAL
HISTORIC LANDMARK**

**THIS SITE POSSESSES NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE AS THE
LOCATION OF THE THOMAS LINCOLN FARM AND THE
GRAVESITE OF NANCY HANKS LINCOLN. PRESIDENT
ABRAHAM LINCOLN LIVED AT THE FARM BETWEEN
THE AGES OF SEVEN AND TWENTY-ONE (1816-1830)**

1960

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial



Abraham Lincoln spent 14 of the most formative years of his life, from ages 7 to 21, on this Indiana farm. During these years, from 1816 to 1830, he grew both physically and intellectually.

Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial represents an important expression of the nation's respect and reverence for Abraham Lincoln. The park includes the farm of Thomas Lincoln, Abraham's father; the marked gravesite of Lincoln's mother, Nancy Hanks Lincoln; and the preserved site of one of the Lincoln cabins.

A more recent addition is this Memorial Building, completed in 1943, which pays tribute to Lincoln's Indiana roots. The building features two memorial halls and five sculptured limestone panels that mark significant stages in the life of Abraham Lincoln. The building also serves as the park's Memorial Visitor Center and is a good place to begin your visit.



One of the five sculptured limestone bas-reliefs on the Memorial Building.



The preserved site of one of the Lincoln cabins.



Nancy Hanks Lincoln's gravesite.



Lincoln Living Historical Farm



YOU ARE FACING THE WOODED KNOLL
ON WHICH SLEEPS NANCY HANKS LINCOLN
MOTHER OF THE PRESIDENT WHO LIVED IN
THIS HOOSIER ENVIRONMENT DURING THE
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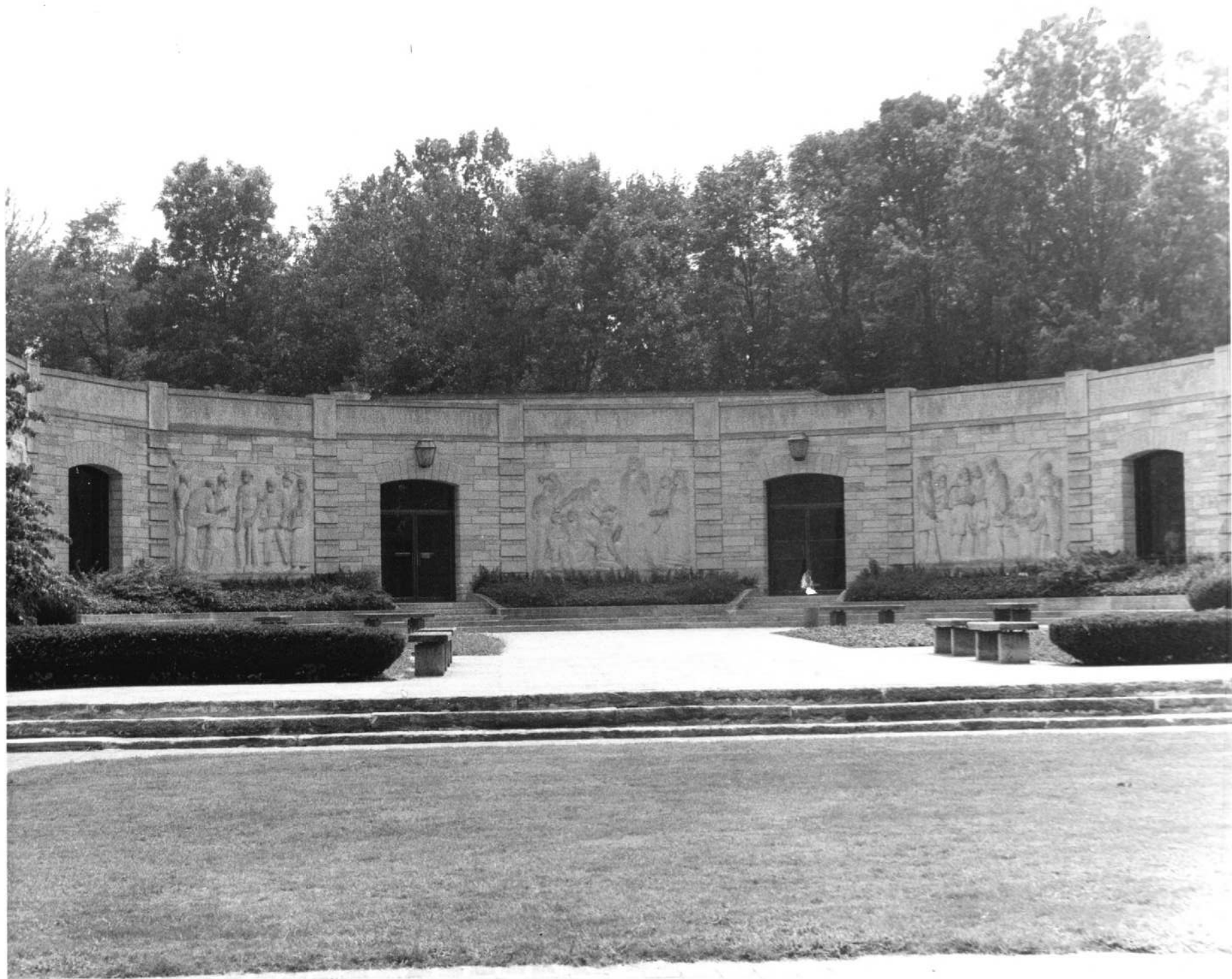
INDIANA LINCOLN UNION

A brown wooden sign with white text, mounted on two wooden posts. The sign is positioned in front of a low, rustic stone wall. In the background, a large stone building with a dark arched doorway and a relief sculpture is visible, surrounded by greenery and a paved walkway.

MEMORIAL VISITOR CENTER

Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial

**This memorial building is Indiana's
tribute to Abraham Lincoln and his family**



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AND/OR COMMON

Lincoln Boyhood Home

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☒ VICINITY OF

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Visitors Center - Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial
North front of building

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Grave marker of Nancy Hanks Lincoln
West face of marker

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Lincoln Living Historical Farm
Southeast front of log house

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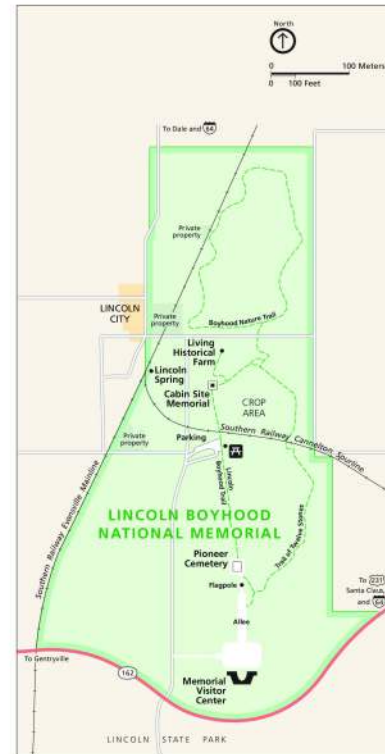
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NATIONAL SURVEY OF HISTORIC SITES AND BUILDINGS

1. STATE Indiana		2. THEME(S). IF ARCHEOLOGICAL SITE, WRITE "ARCH" BEFORE THEME NO. XIV, The Civil War, 1861-1865	
3. NAME(S) OF SITE Nancy Hanks Lincoln State Memorial		4. APPROX. ACREAGE 60	
5. EXACT LOCATION (County, township, roads, etc. If difficult to find, sketch on Supplementary Sheet) Spencer County, at Lincoln City, on State Highways 162 and 345			
6. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PRESENT OWNER (Also administrator if different from owner) State of Indiana, Division of Parks and Memorials, Indianapolis			
7. IMPORTANCE AND DESCRIPTION (Describe briefly what makes site important and what remains are extant) Included in Nancy Hanks Lincoln State Memorial are approximately 22.6 acres of land in the original farm owned by Thomas Lincoln, father of Abraham. Here, near Little Pigeon Creek, the Lincolns lived from 1818 to 1830, during which time Abraham grew from boyhood to manhood. The Memorial also includes the traditional gravesite of Nancy Hanks Lincoln, mother of Abraham, and the traditional site of the Lincoln cabin home. As the site where Lincoln spent one quarter of his life, specifically the early formative years, the Memorial is worthy of recognition as having exceptional value. While the authenticity of the cabin and grave sites is based on tradition only, the identification of the Lincoln farm land is positive.			
<p>The Lincolns moved from Kentucky to Indiana in the late fall of 1816, the family consisting of Tom and Nancy Hanks Lincoln and their children, Sarah, nine, and Abe, seven. They spent the first hard winter in Indiana in a rude "half-face" camp; not until the next year would Tom erect a more substantial log dwelling. In October of 1818, Nancy Hanks Lincoln was stricken with the milk-sickness, a deadly swamp fever, and within a few days was dead. She was buried on a gentle knoll between a quarter and a half-mile from the home. A year later Tom Lincoln married the widow Sarah Bush Johnson and brought his new wife and her three children back to the home on Little Pigeon Creek.</p> <p>Abraham attended school for short periods during the stay in Indiana, but his formal education in Kentucky and Indiana probably amounted to less than a year in all. Nevertheless, it was during the years in Indiana that the character of Lincoln was shaped and on the boy was placed the stamp of the frontier that was forever to be associated with the man. In these years Lincoln became an avid reader and a master of cross-roads debate. His ready wit, inquiring mind, and gift for oratory became a tradition in the neighborhood, and it is evident that his affinity for the law and for politics dated from the years on the Indiana frontier. When the Lincolns left Indiana for Illinois, the twenty-one-year-old Abe was ready to take a man's part in the world. The years</p>			
8. BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES (Give best sources; give location of manuscripts and rare works) William E. Barton, <u>The Life of Abraham Lincoln</u>, Two vols. (Indianapolis, 1925), I; Beveridge, Albert J., <u>Abraham Lincoln: 1809-1858</u>, Two vols. (Boston, 1926), I; Bess V. Ehrmann, <u>The Missing Chapter in the Life of Abraham Lincoln</u> (Chicago, 1938); Emanuel Hertz, <u>The Hidden Lincoln: From the Letters and Papers of William H. Herndon</u> (New York, 1938).			
9. REPORTS AND STUDIES (Mention best reports and studies, as, NPS study, IABS, etc.) Richard E. Bishop, <u>The Nancy Hanks Lincoln Memorial: An Account of the Planning and Development of the Memorial Buildings, Sculpture and Grounds by the Indiana Lincoln Union and the Indiana Department of Conservation</u>, 1940-1944 (n.p., 1944); Paul V. Brown,			
10. PHOTOGRAPHS* ATTACHED: YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		11. CONDITION Very good	
		12. PRESENT USE (Museum, farm, etc.) State Memorial	
13. DATE OF VISIT April 29- May 2, 1959			
14. NAME OF RECORDER (Signature) <i>Charles E. Shedd, Jr.</i> Charles E. Shedd, Jr.		15. TITLE Historic Sites Historian	
		16. DATE June 16, 1959	

* DRY MOUNT ON AN 8 X 10 1/2 SHEET OF FAIRLY HEAVY PAPER. IDENTIFY BY VIEW AND NAME OF THE SITE, DATE OF PHOTOGRAPH, AND NAME OF PHOTOGRAPHER. GIVE LOCATION OF NEGATIVE. IF ATTACHED, ENCLOSE IN PROPER NEGATIVE ENVELOPES.

(IF ADDITIONAL SPACE IS NEEDED USE SUPPLEMENTARY SHEET, 10-317a, AND REFER TO ITEM NUMBER)

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SUPPLEMENTARY SHEET

This sheet is to be used for giving additional information or comments, for more space for any item on the regular form, and for recording pertinent data from future studies, visitations, etc. Be brief, but use as many Supplement Sheets as necessary. When items are continued they should be listed, if possible, in numerical order of the items. All information given should be headed by the item number, its name, and the word (cont'd), as, 6. Description and Importance (cont'd) . . .

STATE	NAME(S) OF SITE
Indiana	Nancy Hanks Lincoln State Memorial

in Southern Indiana, a region more akin to Kentucky and the South than to the North, had provided a gentle transition from one section of the Nation to another. This background, throughout his life, gave the man an understanding of and sympathy for the South which enabled him to meet with compassion and insight the supreme crisis which destiny thrust upon him in 1861. The Indiana years were crucial in the emotional and intellectual growth of Lincoln. The land which was the Lincoln farm deserves classification of exceptional value as a tangible reminder of the years when Lincoln the boy became Lincoln the man.

The Nancy Hanks Lincoln State Memorial is an integral part of Lincoln State Park, most of which is a recreational area providing facilities for fishing, picnicking, boating and camping. Principal features of the site are the Memorial buildings - two low halls connected by a cloister; the traditional gravesite of Nancy Hanks Lincoln, and the traditional cabinsite, enclosed by a low wall and marked by a replica in bronze of a cabin fireplace. All of these features are within walking distance of one another. The area has been reforested and conveys to the visitor some feeling of the wilderness solitude as the Lincolns knew it. Aside from a few directional and informational markers and formal monumentation little has been done to inform the visitor of the significance of the site. Visitor interest at present centers around the Nancy Hanks Lincoln gravesite, although the State plans future interpretive development to explain the broader significance of the site.

9. Reports and Studies (cont'd.)

The Indiana Lincoln Memorial in Spencer County, Indiana; Report of the Indiana Lincoln Union (n.p., 1938); Charles E. Shedd, Jr., Historic Site Survey: Lincoln State Park and Nancy Hanks Lincoln State Memorial: Spencer County, Indiana (Ms. Report, National Park Service, Region Five Office, June, 1958).