NPS Form 10-900 (Rev. 8-86)

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM



1. Name of Property		:	:===
historic name: <u>Little Rock Confederate Memorial</u>			
other name/site number: PU5271			
2. Location			
street & number: <u>Confederate Road</u>			
	not for	publication:	<u>N/A</u>
city/town: <u>Little Rock</u>		vicinity:	N/A
state: AR county: Pulaski code:	AR 119	zip code: 72	2206
3. Classification			
Ownership of Property: <u>Public-federal</u>	=======	========	
Category of Property: Object			
Number of Resources within Property:			
Contributing Noncontributing			
buildings sites structures objects 0 Total			
Number of contributing resources previously lis	ted in the 1	National	

Register: <u>N/A</u>

Name of related multiple property listing: "Something So Dim It Must Be Holy: " Civil War Commemorative Sculpture in Arkansas, 1886-1934

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7. Description	1	=========	========	
Architectural	Classification:		========	
Neoclassical		_		
Other Descript	cion: N/A			
Materials:	foundation	CONCRETE STONE/Granite	roof other	N/A
	walls	SIONE/Granite	other	
Describe presesset.	ent and historic	physical appeara	nce	See continuation

### Summary

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### Elaboration

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"U.D.C." is written in raised lettering midway up the shaft on the west side of the monument. Inscribed on the bottom of the shaft on the same side is "1913." The main face of the west side of the base contains the inscription "IN MEMORY OF / THE NINE HUNDRED CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS / BURIED WITHIN THIS ENCLOSE, MOST / OF WHOM DIED IN THE / HOSPITALS IN LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS / IN 1863." At the bottom of the west base "OUR CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS" is written in raised lettering.

Inscribed on the face of the north base is "GATHER THE SACRED DUST / OF THE WARRIORS TRIED AND TRUE / WHO BORE THE FLAG OF A NATION'S TRUST / AND FELL IN A CAUSE, THOUGH LOST STILL JUST / AND DIED FOR ME AND YOU. / AND THE DEAD THUS MEET THE DEAD, / WHILE THE LIVING O'ER THEM WEEP. / AND THE MEN BY LEE AND STONEWALL LED, / AND THE HEARTS THAT ONCE TOGETHER BLED / TOGETHER STILL THEY SLEEP."

The south face of the base contains the inscription "ALL LOST! BUT BY THE GRAVE / WHERE MARTYRED HEROES REST / HE WINS THE MOST WHO SAVES / SUCCESS IS NOT THE TEST. / IT RECKS NOT WHERE THEIR BODIES LIE / BY BLOODY HILLSIDE, PLAIN OR RIVER, / THEIR NAMES ARE BRIGHT ON FAME'S PROUD SKY / THEIR DEEDS OF VALOR LIVE FOREVER."

A 1994 survey indicates that the monument is currently in good condition but is surrounded by trees that will lead to quicker deterioration.

8. Statement of Significance					
Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: Statewide					
Applicable National Register	r Criteria: <u>A</u>				
Criteria Considerations (Exc	ceptions): <u>F</u>				
Areas of Significance: SOO	CIAL HISTORY				
<u>-</u>					
Period(s) of Significance:	1913				
Significant Dates: 1913					
Significant Person(s): N/2	A				
Cultural Affiliation: N/A					
Architect/Builder: <u>Unknown</u>					
	property, and justify criteria, criteria nd periods of significance noted above.				

Summary

Criterion A, statewide significance Criterion Consideration F

The Little Rock Confederate Memorial is associated with the historic context "Something So Dim It Must Be Holy": Civil War Commemorative Sculpture in Arkansas, 1886-1934 as a commemorative monument financed and erected through the efforts of an ancestral organization in Arkansas. As such, it is eligible under Criterion A with statewide significance for its associations with the efforts of the Memorial Chapter No. 48 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy to reflect members' perception of the noble character and valor of their veterans and their cause. Thus, it also meets the eligibility requirements of Criteria Consideration F: Commemorative Properties.

### Elaboration

The Little Rock Confederate Memorial was erected by the Memorial Chapter No. 48 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy at a cost of \$650. Several other U.D.C. chapters contributed funds, but the Memorial Chapter paid for the large majority of the cost. The monument was dedicated on Decoration Day, May 11, 1913, with a ceremony before several hundred spectators in Little Rock's Oakland Fraternal Cemetery. Featured speaker Judge W. C. Ratcliffe praised both Northerners and Southerners for their efforts in

healing the rift between the regions, using the federal government's acquisition of and care for the Oakland Cemetery as an example. He noted that this was the first example of the U.S. government assuming responsibility for a formerly Confederate cemetery and credited the U.D.C. for encouraging the arrangement. "When the women who are supposed to be the leaders in maintaining the old spirit of prejudice take the lead in such a movement, it proves conclusively that all hatred has died, that all barriers between the North and South have been removed," he said of the U.D.C. He closed his oration by stating that "these men whose memory we honor here have not died in vain....It was for the making of a better nation." In addition to the unveiling of the monument, the day's festivities included the decoration of each of the 855 Confederate graves with roses by local schoolchildren.

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9. Major Bibliographical References
Arkansas Gazette, May 12, 1913, p. 2.
Minutes of the 1913 Arkansas Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy state meeting, p. 85, on file at the Arkansas History Commission.
See continuation sheet.
Previous documentation on file (NPS):
preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested previously listed in the National Register _ previously determined eligible by the National Register _ designated a National Historic Landmark _ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #  Primary Location of Additional Data:
X State historic preservation office  Other state agency Federal agency Local government University Other Specify Repository:
10. Geographical Data

Less than one

Acreage of Property:

UTM References:		Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
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The obelisk the boundaries of which form a circle with a radius of 50 feet centered on the obelisk itself.								
Boundary Justification: See continuation sheet.								
This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource.								
11. Form Prepared By								
Name/Title:		John	Slater, S	pecial Pro	jects	Inter	cn/AHPP St	<u>aff</u>
Organization:		Arka	nsas Histo	ric Preser	vatio	n Proc	gram Date	: 02/13/96
Street & Number	r:	323	Center Str	eet, Suite	1500	Telep	phone: <u>(50</u>	1) 324-9880
City or Town.		Litt	le Rock			St:	ate. AD	7in. 72201

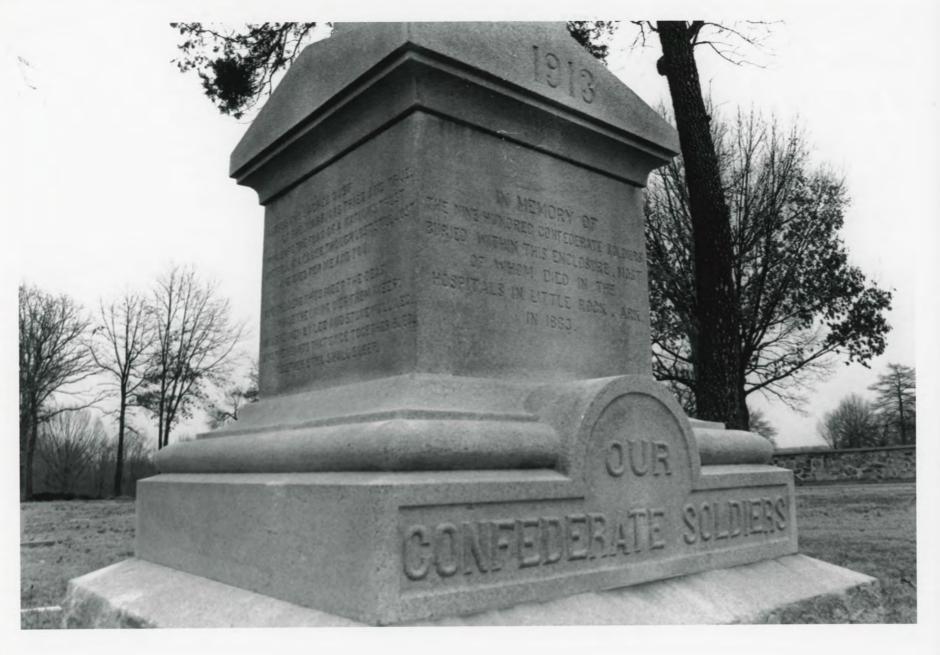
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# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

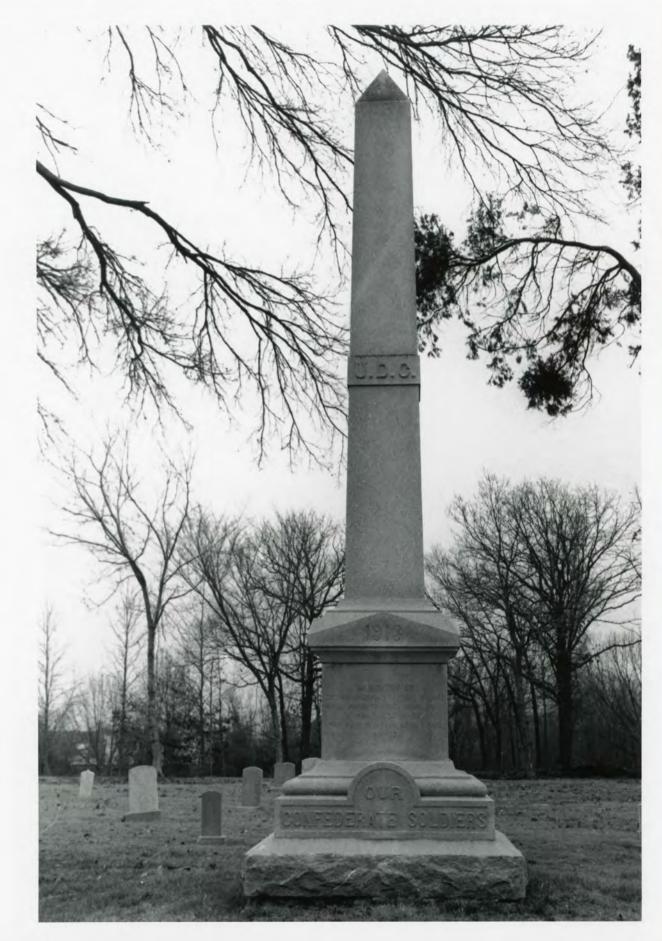
REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION					
PROPERTY Little Rock Confederate Memorial NAME:					
MULTIPLE Civil War Commemorative Sculpture MPS NAME:					
STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Pulaski					
DATE RECEIVED: 4/01/96 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 4/16/96 DATE OF 16TH DAY: 5/02/96 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 5/16/96 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:					
REFERENCE NUMBER: 96000499					
NOMINATOR: STATE					
REASONS FOR REVIEW:					
APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N OTHER: Y PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N					
COMMENT WAIVER: N					
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ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:					

The Little Rock Confederate Memorial is eligible under NR Criterion A as a representation of the significant role of commemorative activities (associated with the important social and political themes of remembrance and recovery) in the post-Civil War South. The statue meets the registration requirements set forth in the MPS cover document.

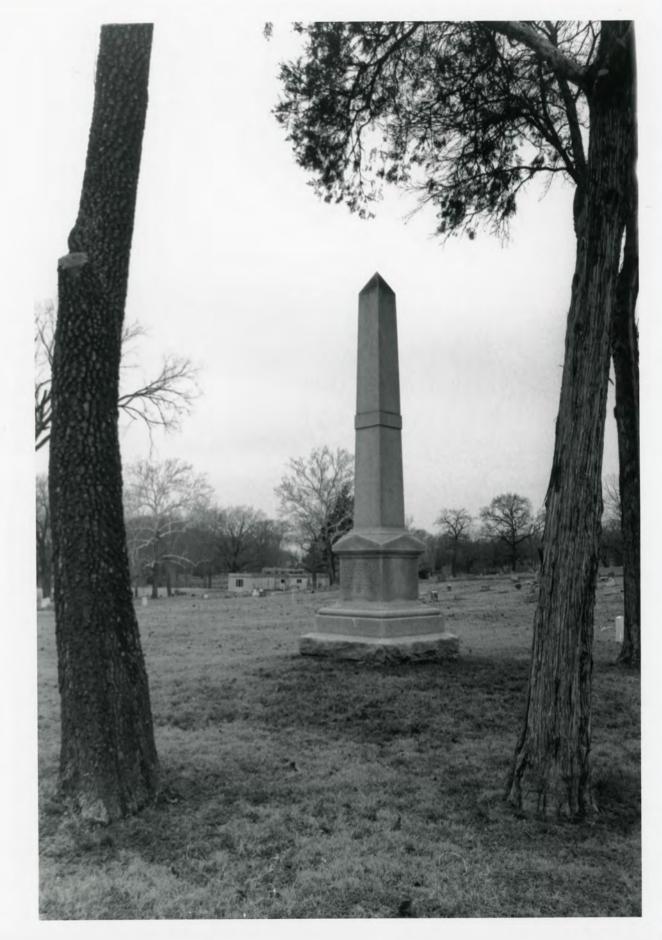
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Little Rock Confederate Memorial Little Rocky Pulaski Co., A-Kansas Photo by Rusty Logan December 1995 Negative on file at AHPP View from northwest



Little Rock Confederate Memorial Little Rock Polaski Co., Arkansas Photo by Rusty Logan December 1995 Negative on file at AHPP View from west



Little Rock Confederate Memorial Little Rock Pulaski Co., Arkansas Photo by Rusty Logan December 1995 Negative on file at AHPP View from Southeast

# Please refer to the map in the Multiple Property Cover Sheet for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500015