



United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Confederate Monument

other names/site number SC-G-485

2. Location

street & number Georgetown Cemetery not for publication NA  
city or town Georgetown vicinity NA  
state Kentucky code KY county Scott code 105 2009  
zip code 40324

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination      request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets      does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant      nationally      statewide X locally. (      See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David L. Morgan  
Signature of certifying official

4-23-97  
Date

David L. Morgan, SHPO

Kentucky Heritage Council, State Historic Preservation Office

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property      meets      does not meet the National Register criteria. (      See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

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Signature of commenting or other official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register \_\_\_ other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Edson H. Beall      7/17/97  
 Signature of Keeper      Date  
Bar  
 of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
___	___	buildings
___	___	sites
___	___	structures
<u>1</u>	___	objects
<u>1</u>	___	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) Civil War Monuments in Kentucky, 1861-1935 \_\_\_\_\_

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat:   Other: Civil War Monument Sub:

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat:   Other: Civil War Monument Sub:

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

NA

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation   granite

roof   NA

walls   NA

NA

other   Granite

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)  
(See attached)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

X  A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

B removed from its original location.

C a birthplace or a grave.

D a cemetery.

E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

X  F a commemorative property.

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G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Social History \_\_\_\_\_

Period of Significance \_\_\_\_\_ 1888 - 1935 \_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates \_ 1888 \_

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

\_\_\_\_\_ NA \_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ NA \_\_\_\_\_

Architect/Builder \_\_\_ unknown \_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)  
(SEE ATTACHED)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)  
(See attached)

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

State Historic Preservation Office

Other State agency

Federal agency

Local government

University

Other

Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property \_Less than one acre\_

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting Northing    Zone Easting Northing

1 16 713620 4230400    3 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_    4 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Quad. - Georgetown

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

(See attached)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

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11. Form Prepared By

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name/title Joseph E. Brent, Historic Sites Data Coordinator

organization Kentucky Heritage Council date \_\_\_\_\_

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city or town Frankfort state KY zip code 40601

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Additional Documentation

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Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

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Property Owner

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(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Scott County Judge Executive (George Lusby)

ATTN: Cemetery Board

street & number P. O. Box 973 telephone (502) 863-7850

city or town Georgetown state KY zip code 40324

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**Description** The Confederate Monument in the Georgetown Cemetery is a granite obelisk approximately 20 feet tall with a base four feet wide. The monument is set within a circle of the graves of 18 Confederate soldiers. The monument is primarily an obelisk of unpolished granite. It is topped with a stylized drape at the top. This motif is created with polished granite that offers the illusion of a drape, which is a very common cemetery ornamentation. On the face of the monument, about halfway down the shaft of the obelisk, is a pair of cross cannons in raised relief, also in unpolished granite. Below the cannon, on the base of the obelisk shaft, again in polished granite, is a geometric design. Just below the geometric design where the base flares to meet a rectangular cube are the raised initials C.S.A., and below that, KY, all in polished granite. The cube has a bronze relief on the face of the monument that depicts Confederate flags, crossed muskets and a drum. On the rear (opposite side) of the cube are inscribed the words: Erected by the Ladies of Scott County 1888. The names of the soldiers buried around the monument are inscribed on the other faces of the cube. Below the cube on a flared piece of granite that meets the first part of the two tiered base are the words "Confederate Dead 1861-1865." From here the monument is resting on a two tiered base of flat granite slabs that step down to a width of four feet across.

**Statement of Significance** The Confederate Monument in the Georgetown Cemetery meets National Register Criterion A and is significant within context of "Civil War Monuments in Kentucky, 1861-1935." The monument is a good example of the property type "obelisk." The monument was erected in 1888 by women in Scott County as a memorial to the Confederate soldiers from that county and as a centerpiece for those soldiers buried in the cemetery. This monumentation is very typical of the initial period of monument building from just after the Civil War until the first part of the 20th Century. In that period, monuments often were built by women's organizations that came into existence for that specific purpose. They were often placed in cemeteries to mourn the dead and the "Lost Cause," the Confederacy.

**Verbal Boundary Description** - The monument whose boundaries form a circle with a radius of 25 feet centered on the monument and extending to include the headstones of the Confederate soldiers located in the Georgetown City Cemetery.

**Verbal Boundary Justification** - The area associated with the monument is restricted to the ground on which the monument sits and a small buffer around it. The setting outside such a restricted area is not seen as critically important to maintaining an integrity of association. Because the focus of the multiple property submissions is the significance of the monuments, their proposed area of listing will reflect that they have been considered by-and-large, in isolation from their surrounds.

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