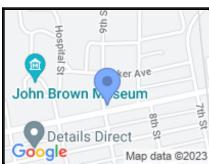
# Kansas Historic Resources Inventory

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121-342 Soldiers' Monument 00 MAIN ST Osawatomie





#### LOCATION:

County: Miami

Address: 00 MAIN ST

Address Remarks: NE corner MAIN ST & 9TH ST

City: Osawatomie

Zip: 66064

Parcel ID: 172-10-0-10-06-010.00-0

Legal Description: Section 10 Township 18S Range 22E

Legal Description Remarks: LOYDS ADDN & LOYDS SUBD CRES, Lot 14 - 15, LTS 14-15 LLOYDS SUB-DIV TO M G

CRANES ADDN MONUMENT STATE ORDER# 1397-84-TX

Latitude, Longitude 1: 38.49813 -94.95661

Latitude, Longitude 2: Latitude, Longitude 3: Latitude, Longitude 4:

Datum: WGS84

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Historic Name: Soldiers' Monument

Alternate Name: John Brown Monument

Historic Function: Funerary

Subcategory: Graves/Burials

Historic Function Remarks: Often erroneously called the John Brown Monument. Burial ground of and

memorial to those men who were killed defending the city in the second Battle of Osawatomie, 08/30/1856. Specifically, there are four men interred here: Frederick Brown, David Garrison, George Partridge and Theron Powers. John Brown's name also appears in recognition of his role in that

battle and the fight against slavery. He is not buried here.

The bodies of the defenders were re-interred at the site in 1860. Monument

stands directly over burial ground.

Property was originally owned by Charles A Foster, who donated it for the re-internment. He ceded the property to the Osawatomie Monument Assoc., which first organized in 1859, re-organized 08/06/1872 and chartered

11/04/1872. Trustees of that organization deeded the land to the city in 1884. Builders were the Hanway Brothers of Lane, KS, who were sons of Assoc.

member, Judge James Hanway.

Present Function: Funerary

Subcategory: Graves/Burials

Present Function Remarks: The site also is a commemorative site / tourist destination for those interested

in the history of Territorial Kansas and the Border Wars era.

Residential/Commercial/Religious Style: Not Applicable/No Style

Secondary Style:

Barn Type: Not Applicable

Bridge Type: Not Applicable

Landscape Type: Not Applicable

Physical Description/Remarks: Property sits on a 50x50 foot lot. Actual cemetery plot is 12.6' sq.,

surrounded by fence, ranging from 3.4'-3.10' high, then a 2.6' concrete

sidewalk around the centrally placed marker.

Marker itself is four-sectioned shaft of Vermont marble, 11' high, tapering at

the top. It sits on a granite base, 10"h x 33"w x 33" d.

Inscriptions read:

<u>West:</u> Theron Parker Powers, born October 1, 1832. Charley Keiser [often spelled elsewhere as "Kaiser"]. In commemoration of those who on the 30th day of August, 1856, gave up their lives at the Battle of Osawatomie in

defense of freedom.

North: David R. Garrison, born December 4, 1826, George W. Partridge, born

December 22, 1827.

East: Frederick Brown, son of Capt. John Brown, born December 30, 1830. South: This inscription is also in consideration of the heroism of Capt. John Brown, who commanded at the Battle of Osawatomie August 30, 1856, who died and conquered American slavery on the scaffold at Charleston[sic], Va.,

December 2, 1859. Keiser's body was never found.

Plan Form: Square

Commercial Building Type: Not Applicable

Roof Form: Not Applicable

Stories:

Condition: Excellent

Principal Material: Stone

Condition Remarks: Vermont marble & granite; vinyl fence; concrete sidewalk.

Architect/Designer/Builder: Hanway Brothers

Year of Construction: 1877

Certainty: Documented

Date Notes: Dedicated 08/30/1877

General Remarks: The Osawatomie Monumental Association originally formed in 1859, the four

bodies were interred at this site in 1860, the construction and dedication of the monument took place in 1877, and subsequent commemorations of the

battle took place on anniversaries.

Ancillary Structures: None

Ancillary Structure Remarks:

## **REGISTER STATUS:**

Listed in State Register: Yes

Date of State Listing: 05/12/2012

Listed in National Register: Yes

Date of National Listing: 09/17/2012

Historic District:

Demolished:

Date Demolished (if applicable):

Potentially Eligible for National Register:

Register Status Remarks:

Thematic Nomination (MPDF):

National Historic Landmark:

## SURVEY INFORMATION:

Survey 1

Survey Project Name: PSIQ Submittal

Sequence Number:

Surveyed By: Hays, Margaret
Survey Date: 07/21/2011

#### **IMAGES & DOCUMENTS**



Soldiers' Monument - NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie - Aerial Image. Bing.com. 3/14/2012.



Soldiers' Monument - NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie - Overview of monument within fenced plot, facing NE. Martin, Sarah. 3/14/2012.



Soldiers' Monument - NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie - South face of monument. Martin, Sarah. 3/14/2012.



Soldiers' Monument - NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie - West face of monument. Martin, Sarah.



Soldiers' Monument - NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie - Overview of monument within fenced plot, facing SW. Martin, Sarah. 3/14/2012.



Soldiers' Monument - NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie - East face of monument. Martin, Sarah.

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Soldiers' Monument - NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie - Overview of monument within fenced plot, facing NW. Martin, Sarah. 3/14/2012.



Soldiers' Monument, NE Corner 9th Soldiers' Monument, NE Corner 9th and Main, Osawatomie. South Face Detail. Photo by William E. Fischer, Jr., 8/31/2013



and Main, Osawatomie. East Face Detail. Photo by William E. Fischer, Jr., 8/31/2013

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and Main, Osawatomie. West Face Detail. Photo by William E. Fischer, Jr., 8/31/2013