

CA - VENTURA

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Case Name: CA-Ventura-Ventura-VenturaCem-Soldier Monument-1898	
State: California	Type:
County: Ventura	Monument with sculpture, "twenty-five feet high, surmounted by the figure of a volunteer soldier."
Location:	
Ventura Cemetery (Cemetery Memorial Park), Ventura, CA. Block bounded by Main Street, Aliso Lane, and Poli Street.	Photos: [photos needed]
Latitude: North 34.2810° (Google Earth)	
Longitude: West 119.2807°	
(Exact location in cemetery is not known)	
Reported by:	
David A, Davis, Camp 25, 21 Feb. 2016	
Researched by:	
Status:	
Under Assessment	
X Needs Further Investigation	
Completed	
CWM-61 (assessment form) available	
Form CWM-62 (grant application) available	
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Notes:

A special committee of the GAR, WRC and Sons of Veterans (SUVCW) awarded a contract to the Monumental Bronze Company of Bridgeport, CT, on 8 February 1896 to furnish the soldier statue for display in the cemetery. The statue was probably cast from "white bronze" (zinc), which was a specialty of this company. It was dedicated on Memorial Day (May 30) 1898. Its current whereabouts are unknown.

The monument was located in Ventura City Cemetery (now part of Cemetery Memorial Park). The land was converted to a public park in 1965, and all headstones and monuments were removed. The site is now part of a controversial dog park, with lawn now covering the former cemetery plots. More info on the fate of the cemetery can be found at www.restorestmarys.org/