

Historic Resources Inventory

Property name, historic Tippah County Confederate Monument

Property name, common:

Street Address:

Descriptive Location (Rural address):

Legal Description:

Former/Historic Use: Monument: Confederate

Present Use: Monument: Confederate

Date of Construction: 1911

Date(s) of historic changes, if any:

Post-historic changes and date(s):

Architect:

Builder:

Brief Description:

Monument has a typical Confederate soldier standing "at rest" holding a rifle, the gun stock is missing, atop a tall sculpted obelisk-like shaft on a pedestal, on a stepped base. The soldier sits atop a stone column with the Confederate Battle Flag in relief. At the base of the column is inscribed "1861-1865". Below that, the base has an inscription on all four sides. On the S side it reads, "On every great battlefield of the war, their valor was illustrated. They won imperishable renown. For they will live in history & in the hearts of their descendants to the latest generation." On the E side it reads, "In memory of the Confederate soldiers of Tippah County, our heroic dead & the chivalrous living who wore the gray, 1861-1865." On the W side it reads, "Sleep soldiers! Still in honored rest your truth & valor wearing; the bravest are the tenderest, the loving are the daring!!" On the N side it reads, "Erected by the Thomas Spight Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy August, 1911, Lest we Forget".

Outbuildings or secondary elements (if significant, use separate form)

Historical Information:

The monumnet orginally stood in the middle of the street in the southwest corner of the courthouse square in the intersection of Main and Jefferson Streets. The statue was knocked down in 1970 by a delivery truck casuing the damage to the solider's rifle. The monumnet was moved to its current location, the east courthouse lawn, in 1984.

MDAH Inventory Code

County: Tippah

City: Ripley

USGS Quad map:

Survey Seq. #: 1b

Ownership: County

Interior surveyed? No

Integrity: Very intact

Style:

Form:

Sources: Sanborn maps, 1925, 1943.
Jane Isbell Haynes, William
Faulkner - His Tippah
County Heritage, plate iv - v.

Contexts:

Owner:

Photographer: David Preziosi, MHT

Photo No/Date: 4416:6-7 / Nov 2003

Form by: Deborah Wise Oakley, MHT

Survey project: Ripley Survey

Form completed:

Registration Status and Dates

NHL:

Listed NR:

Federal DOE:

District Name: Ripley

Contributing

Non-Contributing

Previously Listed

Element no. 1b

