

## Fame Confederate Monument <sup>[1]</sup>

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Description: A bronze statue of the muse Fame supports a defeated and dying soldier who clutches his gun; Fame, a winged figure dressed in robes and wearing a laurel wreath atop her head, holds a second wreath high into the air as if to place it on the soldier. The statue stands on a pink granite pedestal. From the bottom of the pedestal to the top of the bronze grouping, the monument measures almost 23 feet.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) chapter decided on the statue in 1901. The completed statue arrived in Salisbury in 1905, but the land that the monument sits on wasn't deeded to the UDC until 1908 by the Salisbury Board of Aldermen and Mayor.

Images: [Contemporary view](#) <sup>[4]</sup> | [View from the intersection of West Innes and Church Streets](#) <sup>[5]</sup> | [Rear view](#) <sup>[6]</sup> | [Front inscription](#) <sup>[7]</sup> | [Left inscription](#) <sup>[8]</sup> | [Right inscription](#) <sup>[9]</sup> | [The muse and the soldier](#) <sup>[10]</sup> | [With St. John's Lutheran Church in the background](#) <sup>[11]</sup>

### Inscription:

Southeast (front) base:

IN MEMORY OF / ROWAN'S / CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS / THAT THEIR HEROIC DEEDS / SUBLIME SELF-SACRIFICE / AND UNDYING DEVOTION / TO DUTY AND COUNTRY / MAY NEVER BE FORGOTTEN / 1861-1865

Northeast (right) base: THEY GAVE THEIR / LIVES AND THEIR FORTUNES FOR / CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTY / AND STATE SOVEREIGNTY / IN OBEDIENCE TO THE TEACHINGS OF THE / FATHERS WHO FRAMED / THE CONSTITUTION / AND ESTABLISHED THE / UNION OF THESE STATES

Southwest (left) base: SOLDIERS OF THE / CONFEDERACY / FAME HAS GIVEN YOU / AN IMPERISHABLE CROWN / HISTORY WILL RECORD / YOUR DARING VALOR / NOBLE SUFFERINGS AND / MATCHLESS ACHIEVEMENTS / TO THE HONOR AND / GLORY OF OUR LAND

Northwest (back) base: DEO VINDICE / R.I.P.

Dedication date: 5/10/1909

Creator: Johnpaul Harris, Sculptor Mike Roig, Sculptor

Materials & Techniques: Bronze statue, pink granite base.

Sponsor: Robert F. Hoke Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy

Cost: \$11,500 total (\$10,000 for the bronze grouping, \$1,500 for the granite base)

Unveiling & Dedication: Frances C. Fisher Tiernan, a Salisbury native, writer and novelist, and daughter of Col. Charles Fisher, composed a poem for the unveiling.

Post dedication use: It has been suggested that the monument be moved, as more than one car has run into the granite base. It was restored in 1991 by the Hoke Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC). The repairs cost \$14,000 and were completed by Karkadoulis Bronze Art Co. in Cincinnati. The UDC also celebrated the monument's centennial on May 9, 2009. The monument is occasionally used by the Hoke chapter of the UDC to commemorate specific Confederate soldiers by placing wreaths at the monument.

Subject notes: The dying soldier in the bronze grouping was modeled from an 1861 photograph of Confederate Lt. Henry Howe Cook of Franklin, Tennessee.

Location: Located at the intersection of West Innes and Church Streets, facing southeast. Access is limited due to traffic.

City: Salisbury

County: Rowan

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**Latitude:** 35.66841

**Longitude:** -80.47109

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