Cabarrus County Confederate Soldiers Monument III

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Description: This monument is a tall, tapered marble column with a small sphere atop. The shaft, weighing twenty-five thousand pounds, is constructed of eight sections, with an angular capping detail below the orb. The front face is inscribed to the memory of the Cabarrus County Confederate dead.

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Inscription:

1861 - 1865. / In Memoriam. / This Monument Is Erected To / the Memory of the Confederate Dead / of Cabarrus County, N.C. / With granite and marble and branch of the cypress / The emblem of peace shall thy slumbers enshrine. / Then take this memento: 'tis all we can offer. / O graves of our comrades, this tribute is thine!

Dedication date: May 5, 1892

Materials & Techniques: Marble

Sponsor: Ladies' Memorial Association of Concord

Cost: \$900

Unveiling & Dedication: The monument was placed in April 1892. Many attended the May 5 unveiling at the courthouse. According to the *Confederate Veteran*, Major W. M. Robbins was the speaker of the day, having been escorted by a large procession led by the Concord Black Boys' Drum Corps. The thirteen Confederate States were symbolized by thirteen small girls in Confederate uniform. A choir sang, and Dr. C. M. Payne gave a prayer. Four small girls unveiled the monument, and the event concluded with the singing of "The Old North State."

Post dedication use: In her 1941 book, Blanche Smith observed that every year on May 10, Confederate Memorial Day, school children developed the custom of covering the monument with flowers.

Location: The monument sits in front of the old Cabarrus County courthouse on the east side of South Union Street. It faces roughly west.

Landscape: The monument sits in the lawn area in front of the entrance to the courthouse.

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County: Cabarrus

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