

FORM C - MONUMENTS
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

STATUE
BUST
MARKER
RELIGIOUS SHRINE
MONUMENT
FOUNTAIN
MILESTONE
BOUNDARY MARKER
GROUP COMPOSITION

Town Barnstable (Marstons Mills Center)

Street Rte 28 and 149

Name Sherman Crocker Square

Original Owner Town of Barnstable

Present Owner same

Monument has historical connection with the following themes: (See also reverse side)

Date Constructed fall 1949

Date Dedicated 11/27/49

Agriculture
Architecture
Art/Sculpture
Education
Literature
Music
Government
Commerce/Industry
Science/Invention
Travel/Communication
Military Affairs
Indians
Development of Town/City
Religion/Philosophy

Source of Date Town of Barnstable Records

Designer or Sculptor none

Individual or group responsible for monument if other than owner n/a

CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Moved* Altered

IMPORTANCE of monument to area: Great Moderate None

MONUMENT endangered by:

LOCATION OF INSCRIPTION: Plaque on wall, house, post; base of monument; other plaque on boulder

ENTIRE INSCRIPTION on monument:
SHERMAN N. CROCKER SQUARE

DESCRIPTION**

Foundation: Pedestal Base None Material NATURAL GRANITE BOULDER

Material: Bronze Stone Marble Granite Wood Other bronze plaque

Setting (surroundings) grass plot at intersection 60' x 30' at widest side

Size (approximate) 2'8"high x 3'9" wide and 2' thick

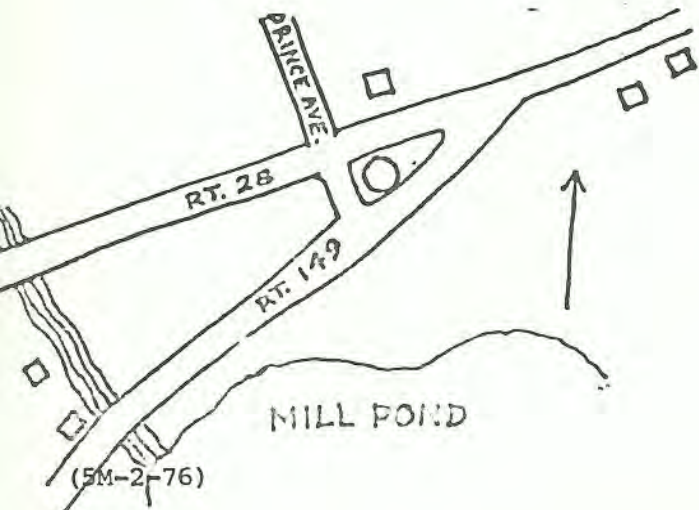
Indicate location of monument on map below

Recorder Barbara C. Arnold

For Barnstable Historical comm.

85-2-A901 (Name of Organization)

Photo _____ Date Received july 1985



* If the monument has been moved, indicate the original location on the reverse side.

** Describe the monument on the reverse side.

GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT MATTER AND/OR DESIGN OF MONUMENT

The monument is a simple granite boulder, undressed stone, set with a bronze plate giving the name "Sherman N. Crocker Square". It stands on a triangular green space of neatly mowed grass planted with several evergreens at the junction of Routes 28 and 149 at the entrance to Marstons Mills village.

GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HISTORIC IMPORTANCE OF MONUMENT. (Refer to the theme circled on front of form. What happened? Who was important? Comment)

The boulder and tablet naming the square are in memory of Capt. Sherman Neil Crocker, USAAC, of Marstons Mills, who was killed in action in Germany on Feb. 13, 1945. He was born August 2, 1920. Capt. Crocker was Squadron Leader, 50th Fighter Squadron, 9th AF. He was buried in Marstons Mills Cemetery on Jan. 28, 1948.

REFERENCE: (Where was this information obtained? What book, records, etc.)

See Barnstable Town Report, 1946, p.80
The Seven Villages of Barnstable. 1976
Files of Vivian Cushing, Marstons Mills.