## How to obtain a replica Civil War Marker on the grave of Joseph SCHMID, Sr Department of Minnesota, Post 158 G.A.R. Grand Army of the Republic

The Civil War touched nearly every family in the United Sates in so many ways. It is the costliest war in terms of death toll in United States history. While precise numbers are debated or even nonexistent, it is generally accepted that **over 600,000 casualties resulted from the Civil War**. The sacrifices were not easily forgotten by either side, and tributes to fallen soldiers and veterans prevail, even to today. One of the honors afforded the veterans, whether killed in the war **or veterans who died much later was the placement of a veteran medallion on their grave**. This was a practice for both GAR (Grand Army of the Republic) and CSA (Confederate States of America). Each area had a Post number. For example: Post No. 134 was St. Cloud, MN. Post No. 163 was Minneapolis, MN. Post No. 158 was Chaska, MN. Joseph was a part of the Chaska Post. He died in 1923 Read about GAR Markers <a href="http://www.phototree.com/article\_medallions.html">http://www.phototree.com/article\_medallions.html</a>

We took Joseph's original bronze marker to a foundry in central Texas, and had a cast made for \$200, then a mold made for \$150. Then had a replica made.

## Replica copies can be ordered from the artist for approx. \$200 plus shipping & tax

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