

## Historical Marker - L282 - Railroad Union Birthplace (Marker ID#:L282)



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#### ***Railroad Union Birthplace***

In April 1863 a meeting held here at the home of Jared C. Thompson led directly to the organization of the Brotherhood of the Footboard. Under the leadership of Marshall's William D. Robinson, founder and first Grand Chief Engineer, fifty-four locals were established in the next sixteen months. Renamed the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers in 1864, the union grew to over eighty thousand members by the mid-twentieth century.

#### ***Significant Date:***

Civil War and After (1860-1875)

***Registry Year:*** 1974    ***Erected Date:*** 1974

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#### **Marker Location**

***Address:*** 633 West Hanover St

***City:*** Marshall

***State:*** MI    ***ZipCode:***

***County:*** Calhoun

***Township:*** Marshall

***Lat:*** 42.26991400 / ***Long:*** -84.96832300

***Web URL:***