Horse Prairie Cemetery
Sesser, Illinois

Tombstone Inscriptions and Family Records

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Note: This version of the book was specifically prepared in 2015 for the University of Michigan cloud storage place called Deep Blue. It has minor editing and formatting differences from the original version of 2004. A few extra photos have been added, including those of Ralph and Ella Stockton, my parents, to whom the book is dedicated.
Introduction

In the year 2001 with my parents in their upper eighties, I decided to make an inventory of those people buried in Horse Prairie Cemetery and to publish the inventory in their honor. Decades earlier, my parents had prepared a stone for their burial in that cemetery, a few feet from where my grandparents (Hayes Stockton and Rachel Bates Stockton) and my great-grandparents (Kilibrew Bates and Malinda Lewis Bates) were interred. My father’s Uncle Dempsey Bates was there, the only Sesser fatality in World War I, as were my father’s siblings (Floyd, Martha, and Alice Bradley) and a host of other relatives. When I was a boy in the 1950s, we made regular treks to this place to put flowers on these graves. Today it is far more beautiful than it was back then. The old frames around the grave sites are missing (to facilitate maintenance) and the run-down fence has been removed. Today the graveyard is splendid in its elegance and pastoral simplicity. The church that generated the cemetery is still there. (As of 2002 it had 59 members and was ably led by Reverend Robert Boyette). The Trustees of the cemetery association put in many hours looking after the grounds. So many people have put so much effort into the cemetery’s preservation that I wanted to be a part of that process.

In the spring of that year I spent three days in the cemetery making a list of names and other information. Back in Michigan (where I teach Political Science at the University of Michigan-Dearborn) I entered the list into a word processing file and created an Excel data base to compile an index and to analyze mortality patterns. In July of 2001 my wife Jane and I returned to Horse Prairie to fill in some missing information. At that point I learned that Clara Crocker Brown had put her incredible research skills to work on the same project. Clara had published an impressive inventory of Maple Hill Cemetery in 1996. As with that earlier work, she had used her passion and knowledge of family linkages to locate genealogical information on many of the persons in Horse Prairie. These details give a richness of inestimable value to contemporary genealogists and to future generations. Clara had made her Horse Prairie inventory available to interested persons but had not made an effort to edit it or publish it (except in a newsletter). We agreed that I would produce a book based on her information, with some supplementary material I had gathered. Clara had done
her research nearly twenty years earlier so there were newer burials to be added. The revised inventory has been updated through August, 2002. I also added to the inventory those tombstone poems and other memorial inscriptions that were still legible. In the book itself, I inserted some commentary and poems, and did an analysis of mortality patterns using the data base created earlier. Much to my pleasant surprise, my article on mortality patterns was published in the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* in the summer of 2003. A version of that article is in the appendix.¹

This book is presented with great appreciation for Clara Crocker Brown and other selfless persons who spend years gathering information so that we today and those who come after us can know that which might otherwise be lost. Clara Brown has also compiled information on other local cemeteries including Hammond Cemetery and Mitchell Cemetery, as well as smaller ones. These are scheduled for future publication. The book is also presented with appreciation for those who maintain this cemetery in such a fine condition. This required hours of selfless labor, not to mention the contribution of resources for maintenance expenses.

Special thanks go to Jane W. Stockton, my wife, for spending days in the graveyard with me, for being able to read faded inscriptions that were beyond my own skills, for proof reading the text and double checking it for accuracy, for scanning and editing the photographs, and for being as supportive as I could ever have hoped.

Ronald R. Stockton
June, 2004

¹ Note: In addition to this article I wrote a book chapter on my personal experience in doing this project. The chapter is called “The Biography of a Graveyard.” It appeared in Beyond the Archives, edited by Liz Rohan and Gesa Kirsh, published by SIU Press in 2007.
This book is presented in honor of Ralph Stockton and Ella Barton Stockton. Ralph Stockton was a sixth generation son of Southern Illinois through his mother Rachel Bates Stockton and his Lewis and Hammond ancestors. Ella Barton was born in Kansas, the daughter of Clarence Edward Barton and Susanna Vandekerkhove Barton. She arrived in Southern Illinois as a small girl.
Using the Inventory

Finding a Grave: The Index has an alphabetical list of names and locations. We have broken the cemetery into five sections, designated here by roman numerals according to the age of the section, oldest sections first. The rows are numbered within each section. The graves (as of 2002) are also numbered, with the grave on the farthest north being number 1. To a large extent, the entries follow what is on the tombstones. Usually there is a family name with the names of one or more persons, often with their relationships (wife of, son of, daughter of), and dates. In some cases, there is a large stone with a family name, then smaller stones for individuals. For purposes of orientation, we have attached a schematic map of the cemetery. In the early years of the cemetery there were two rows that were not straight and are therefore hard to define. The rows numbered 7a and 8a indicate these irregularities. They start about half way down the length of a normal row. There is speculation that there might have been a path or walkway in that area. We hope you can find your family grave even if the row order is not perfectly clear.

Same Stone: When two names are linked with a plus sign, they are on the same stone.

Calculated Dates: Birth and death dates in parentheses are not on grave stones but are from other sources. In earlier times, a stone would have the death date and the age of the deceased (years, months, days). The birth date can be extracted from this and reported. In other cases, there were independent source of information on the deceased.

Stars: Four stars indicate supplementary information or notation, most by Clara Brown.

Incomplete Information: Clara Brown had scores of notes to herself to get additional information: Who did he marry? Who were her parents? What were the names of the children? Did she marry a second time? Alas, in spite of Herculean efforts, many of these questions were never answered, and probably never will be answered. In many cases, family members or friends knew that someone married a person but could not recall all the
names of that person (or just forgot to mention it). In such cases the entry will say Unknown for the missing name. In a few cases we have left in a question mark, indicating a possible but not confirmed name or relationship.

**Unknown Graves, Incomplete Names, Graves With Initials Only.** Graves with a family name but no personal name are listed under the family surname. Seventeen graves have only initials. These are not included in the inventory. Clara Brown also identified forty-eight graves with no indication of who the person is. Most likely these are children or perhaps adults whose stones were destroyed. These are likewise not in the inventory. Perhaps the best way to identify graves with incomplete information is to look at the graves around them since they are quite possibly relatives of known persons.

**Military ground markers:** These have a standard format, listing name, unit, war, and dates. There are no periods after abbreviations. They are typically made of metal and are placed in the ground with a cement base. All have a cross as the symbol of faith. Many veterans also have stones nearby.

**Closing dates:** Often when one partner in a marriage dies, there will be a stone prepared with both names. In some cases there is no closing date for the spouse even though that person’s lifespan has clearly passed. Most likely the person moved away or remarried and was buried elsewhere. The reader will note some stones without a closing date. In recent years, some provident persons have put their stones in place while they are still in good health. Some put their names on a stone when their spouse dies, in anticipation of ultimate burial. There is often no way to tell if those persons are still living or have been buried elsewhere, although after a person has reached a probable age of 100 we can assume their earlier plans were not completed. Without knowing each of those families we cannot give more information than that on the stone.
**People Elsewhere:** In two cases, there are stones of people who are not buried in the cemetery. One is of a sailor who was buried at sea, the other is of two persons buried in Arizona. Both have a stone in their hometown.

**Emblems, symbols, drawings.** Many people put emblems or other representations on their stones. In earlier times these were mostly religious. Bibles and crosses were popular. There are also symbols of organizations to which the person was affiliated. Most common are Masons, Eastern Star, United Mine Workers. More recent representations often involve some interest the person had. There are drawings of farm scenes, hunting scenes, fishing scenes, pastoral scenes. Modern technology has made these elaborate scenes easier than if they were being chiseled by artisans.

**Children Graves:** In some cases there is no stone or a small stone without inscription. These may suggest an infant is buried there but there is no way to know. Clara Brown was able to find out information on many of these and that information is included in the inventory. Some names are probably lost to history. Some observations on unmarked graves are in the supplementary article at the end of the book. Some stones mention “babes” or otherwise suggest that more than one deceased infant is buried there (for example, I, 28, 2). The lamb is the traditional symbol of a deceased child. There are many in the cemetery. Sometimes they are separate stones, sometimes they are carved onto the stone. There are also what we might call Infant Markers from earlier times. These are plain markers that may have only initials.

**Inscriptions:** Many stones have poems or inspirational comments. Some were religious, affirming faith and a belief in the resurrection. More were simple statements of love and loss. This later type were more to reassure the living that to affirm the afterlife. Some are traditional graveyard poems common in the early 1900s. One of the most popular was the one we might call “Miss me but let me go.” Another favorite was “A face is absent from our home.” These are found in various forms in the cemetery. They are in italics in the
inventory. In some cases the inscriptions were not fully legible and were recorded with spaces or even whole lines missing.

**Marriage Dates:** For many people, the most important events in their lives are the facts that they married and had children. Many stones include a marriage date, often with the symbol of wedding rings. Others stones list the names of children.

**New Stones:** Many people have replaced old stones with new ones. Much of this was done in the 1960s when the cemetery was modernized and updated, although it continues on as respectful family members create new stones for their relatives.

**Most Common Names.** According to *The Atlas of the State of Illinois* (Lakeside Building Corporation, Chicago, 1876) some early settlers are found in this cemetery. Some names registered in that early publication are W. T. Kirkpatrick, W. Martin, A. Martin, J. M. Moore, S. McFatridge, S. M. Kirkpatrick, E. Eubanks, W. Jones, S. T. Jones, C. M. Upchurch, T. M. Mooneyham, M. A. Wyatt. Several family names are found with great frequency in the cemetery. Because 67 graves have no stone or just initials, and because so many families are interconnected, these numbers probably understate the prominence of other families. Still, the most common names in this graveyard (with five or more stones) are as follows, with their frequency of mention: Kirkpatrick 71, Cockrum 47, Lewis 31, Moore 26, Sulcer 22, Phillips 20, Pierce 20, Martin 19, Isom 18, Jones 16, Boswell 15, Fitzgerrell 15, Hamilton 14, Stubblefield 13, Walker 13, Johnston 13, Cook 12, Rogers 12, Sample 12, Atchison 10, Huie 10, Bates 8, Hill 8, Vaughn 8, Bradley 7, Murphey 7, Taylor 7, Tucker 7, Bauman 6, Brown 6, Campbell 6, Stockton 6, Allen 5, McFatridge 5, Minor 5.

**Age at Death.** In times past, people would list a death date and age but no birth date. I have estimated birth years from these figures for statistical purposes. Family genealogists may have better information. There is an analysis of age and gender patterns among the deceased in the article at the end of the book. Perhaps two statistics will emphasize an important
point. In the 1800s, half of the graves in the cemetery are of children under ten years of age. By contrast, of the 176 burials after 1970 only one was a child under ten. Clearly the tragedy of child death is far less common than it was for our ancestors.

**Family Stones:** This cemetery lacks the family plots that are common elsewhere. While family members often are clustered in the same area this is more often because someone bought several lots rather than out of any effort to create a family section. Infants are often buried around their parents. Some families have large family markers with the family name and graves clustered around. I list those markers but have no way of knowing if there are bodies there unless there is a name listed. Many stones have a family name at the top, then the personal names of those buried. In recording the names, I have eliminated that first step and have recorded the full names of those buried. Thus my parents have the name Stockton at the top of their stone, then their personal names and dates below. I have recorded them as Ralph Stockton and Ella Stockton rather than Stockton, Ralph and Ella. Put differently, the recording follows the information rather than the formatting of the stone.

**Disclaimer:** There are surely mistakes in this compilation. If Clara or I got something wrong regarding your family, we do apologize. Official copies of this inventory will be deposited with the **Goode-Barren Historical Society** and the **Horse Prairie Cemetery Trustees**. If you find a serious error, you might want to register the correct information with one of those organizations for the sake of the historical record.

**Finding the Cemetery:** Horse Prairie Cemetery and Horse Prairie Baptist Church are located northeast of Sesser on Horse Prairie Road. From Illinois Route 154 turn north onto Banister Road. If you are going from the Sesser intersection (where I-148 meets I-154), Banister Road is 1.7 miles east. If you are approaching Sesser from Interstate 57, Banister Road is 4.4 miles from the interstate, just before you reach the town itself. At Banister Road, go north for 0.6 miles, then turn left onto Horse Prairie Road. The Cemetery is in 0.4 miles.
### Schematic Map of the Cemetery

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The map includes sections labeled A, I, O, H, R, S, E, P, and R, with corresponding letter markers and section numbers. The map also includes Drive directions, with letters D, R, and I, and numbers 1 through 30. The Church and Parking Lot are also indicated on the map.
HORSE PRAIRIE INVENTORY

A LIST OF GRAVES

WITH GENEALOGICAL AND OTHER INFORMATION

INFORMATION COLLECTED BY

CLARA CROCKER BROWN

with supplementary information by

RONALD R. STOCKTON
SECTION I

SECTION I, ROW 1

Row starts half way down

SIMPSON, William A. B. May 25, 1880 D. June 15, 1881
Son of T. S. and Ind Simpson.

*We loved him, picture of the mother, was our sweet bud and darling brother*

Unmarked stone under ground.

Unmarked stone.

Unmarked stone. Initial C.F.

Unmarked stone. Initials C.M.G.

MONDAY, Martha E. B. (ca. 1868) D. July 29, 1870
Daughter of J. C. & M. E. Monday. Age 2 yrs. 5 mo. 10 days.

ROBINSON, Martha E. B. (No dates) D. (No dates)

KIRKPATRICK, Luella C. B. (ca. 1870) D. Nov. 20, 1871
Age 11 mo. 8 days. Daughter of C. W. and S. E. Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Laura A. B. (ca. 1853) D. 1859
Age 6 yrs. 5 mo. 16 days. Daughter of C.W. and S. E. Kirkpatrick.

KING, Sarah E. B. (ca. 1849) D. July 17, 1881
Aged 32 yrs. 7 mo. 11 days. Wife of W. J. King.
**** Nee Sarah E. Sperrer. Wife of William J. King.

KING, Hosea P. B. (ca. 1879) D. Sept. 20, 1882
Son of W. J. & S. E. King. Aged 3 years, 6 months, 27 days.

WILLIAMS, Jesse C. B. Dec. 6, 1881 D. June 10, 1889

ROGERS, Wayne Allen B. 1921 D. 1921
Son of W. A. & Grace Rogers

ROGERS, William Day B. 1921 D. 1921
Son of W. A. & Grace Rogers
**** Twin sons of William A. and Grace Short Rogers. Lived a few months. On one stone.

ROGERS, William A. B. 1891 D. 1952
**** Siblings: Grover Rogers, Dessa Rogers (Clark), Mattie Rogers (Ray), Emma Rogers (Whited), Hattie Rogers (Tholgatt), Stella Rogers (Foster). Son of William H. and Kanzadia Flatt Rogers.

+ ROGERS, Grace Short B. 1890 D. 1971

SECTION I, ROW 2

Three graves on one stone

LEWIS, Verna E. B. May 31, 1893 D. Dec. 17, 1982
**** Daughter of William and Mary Martin Graham. Sister to Raymond Graham (Verdie Kirkpatrick), Mable Graham (James Isom), Herbert Graham, Ruby Graham (Craig Huie), Lillian Graham (Ledbetter).

+ LEWIS, Thurman C. B. May 27, 1889 D. Sept. 9, 1976
**** Son of Edward L. and Ada Jane Kirkpatrick Lewis. Children: Everett Lewis (Hazel Klinker), Aline Lewis (Luther Veach), Leslie Lewis, Darrell Lewis, Harl Ray Lewis (Ruth Ann Harrison), Kenneth Lewis, Ferrel Lewis (died as child). Brothers and sisters: Archie Lewis (Dena Clayton, daughter of Elmer and Clara McGinnis Clayton), John Lewis (Edith Clayton), Hosea Lewis (Maude Cockrum), Rella Lewis (Louie Cockrum), Delsie Lewis (John Henry Kirkpatrick)

LEWIS, Farrel B. March 18, 1922 D. Oct. 8, 1925
**** Son of Thurman and Verna E. Graham Lewis.

GULLEY, Elzia G. B. (ca. 1885) D. Sept. 6, 1899
Age 14 yrs. 9 mo. 6 days. Son of J. & S. P. Gulley
**** Son of James and Sarah P. King Gulley.
GULLEY, Sarah P.  
B. (ca. 1864)  
D. July 25, 1899  
**** Aged 35 years, 8 months. Wife of James Gulley. Daughter of William King and granddaughter of Baker King. Sisters; Alma A. King who married Thomas Brayfield, Ellen/Louella V. King (Charles Lee Hill), Mollie B. King? Children, William Cal/Calvin Gulley (Emma Stevinson), Julia Gulley (Isaah Hill), Eliza G. Gulley (died age 14)

KING, Julian C.  
Wife of Baker King  
B. June 4, 1820  
D. Jan. 6, 1896  
Aged 75 ys. 7 mo. 2 days. Born in Alabama, moved to Illinois 1831.  
**** Nee Dale. Children: William King, Pricilla King, Mary M. King.

KING, Baker  
B. June 27, 1810  
D. (No date)  

Unmarked stone.

Unmarked sand stone.

PIERCE, Alza  
B. (ca. 1870)  
D. Sept. 18, 1880  
Aged 10 yrs. 5 mo 15 days.  
**** Son of Stephen Alfred and Mary A. Turner Pierce. Siblings: Phillip J. Pierce (Clara Goessman); Sarah Alice Pierce (George Hicks);, Stephen J. Pierce (Emma Wayman). Born Oct. 26, 1868; Margaret/Maggie Pierce (born July 1881, age 18, married 2 years, had 2 children. Child Willis Pierce born May 1900, 1 month. A child must have died. Married Hosa Hill born March 1877 23 yrs. old. Born in Ill. His father born in Western Tenn. and mother born in Ill. (Census, 1900); Martha Lottie Pierce (McDaniels); Nancy Altia Pierce (Roetzl) divorced (Carlton)., Fannie Pierce (born April 1883, 17 yrs. in Ill., father in Tenn., mother in Ky. She died after 17 yrs of age, never married, Daniel Pierce (Salethia Cockrum), Beulah Pierce(Dennis), Mattie Pierce (Summers). Five small markers, no information.

MOORE, Margaret T. G.  
B. Dec. 12, 1851  
D. Aug. 13, 1882  

MOORE, Infant  
B. Aug. 9, 1882  
D. Aug. 9, 1882

MOORE, William Arthur  
B. Nov. 27, 1878  
D. Aug. 26, 1880  
**** Son of George Washington and Margaret T. G. Kirkpatrick Moore.

MOORE, Martha C.  
B. Oct. 13, 1867  
D. Nov. 5, 1867  
**** Daughter of George Washington Moore and Margaret T. G. Kirkpatrick Moore.

MOORE, George W.  
B. Sept. 6, 1842  
D. April 18, 1901  
**** Husband of Margaret T. G. Kirkpatrick. Married 2nd Margaret Elizabeth "Bettie" Lewis. See Section I, Row 26 for their children.
HUIE, Merideth B. (ca. 1839) D. March 8, 1863
Age 23 y. 9 m. 2 d.

HUIE, Martha E. His Wife B. (ca. 1841) D. Oct. 24, 1872
Aged 31 y. 7 m. 11 d.

JEFFERS, Charlie G. B. (ca. 1866) D. Oct. 5, 1868
Age 2 y 4 m 4 d Son of B.A. & M. Jeffers.
**** Son of Berry Austin and Martha Jones Jeffreys. Sisters: Sarah L. (John Wesley Cockrum)(Hearld), Ora Olive (Louis Dyer Provert), Eva (Edgar Provert, son of Phillip C. and Catherine Roberson), Mary J.

KIRKPATRICK, Sarah E. B. June 18, 1844 D. (No date)
Wife of G. W. Kirkpatrick
**** Sarah Elizabeth Huie. Daughter of James Meredith and Martha Pierce Huie. Brother of James Meredith Huie.

KIRKPATRICK, G. W. B. July 23, 1842 D. Feb. 4, 1908

BROWN, Ruth A. His Wife B. Nov. 29, 1868 D. Nov. 19, 1936
**** Daughter of George Washington and Sarah Elizabeth Huie Kirkpatrick.

BROWN, Sanford At Rest B. Aug. 6, 1866 D. Sept. 19, 1943

Unmarked stone.

KIRKPATRICK, Altha H. B. July 26, 1879 D. July 23, 1912
A mother's hands are folded across
Her lifeless breast. A sweet young life
Is ended, our loved one is at rest.
KIRKPATRICK, William F.  
B. June 27, 1878  
D. June 21, 1956

KIRKPATRICK, Elizabeth  
B. April 27, 1905  
D. May 28, 1971
Married March 2, 1928.  
**** Children: Helen (Donald Galloway), Virginia (Bracher), Amba E. (died as infant), William C. (died as infant). Eastern Star emblem.

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KIRKPATRICK, Wm. Virgal  
B. Nov. 1, 1900  
D. Dec. 14, 1972

KIRKPATRICK, Amba E.  
B. 1930  
D. 1930
**** Child of Virgil and Elizabeth Wallace Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, William C.  
B. 1934  
D. 1934
**** Child of Virgil and Elizabeth Wallace Kirkpatrick.

SECTION I, ROW 3

First eight spaces empty

MURPHY, Infant son  
B. Dec. 19, 1895  
D. Dec. 19, 1895
Infant son of J. A. & N. Murphy.  
**** Infant son of J. Auzzie and Nancy Moore Murphy.

MURPHY, James L.  
B. (ca. 1882)  
D. Sept. 23, 1886
Aged 3 yrs. 11 mo.  Son of J. Auzzie and Nancy Murphy.  
**** Son of James Auzzie and Nancy Moore Murphy.

MURPHEY, Tina  
B. (ca. 1874)  
D. Jan. 14, 1881
Aged 6 yrs. 4 mo. 12 days.  Daughter of J. Auzzie & Nancy Murphey.  
**** Daughter of James Auzzie and Nancy Moore Murphey. Sister Mary A. listed in 1880 census.  
Taken from 1000 recorded Deaths in Franklin County Ill. No. 612 Book 1 page 48 Recorded 25 Jan. 1884. (Stone date has 1881) and 5 years 4 mo. 12 days). Tina Murphey female, farmer's daughter, born in Franklin Co., Ill. age 5 yrs 4 mo 12 days at 3.00 a.m., in Goode Township. Died of burns from clothing taking fire. 3 days duration. Buried Horse Prairie Graveyard, 15 Jan 1884. By D. Johnson and friends. Physician A. J. Layman, Tamaroa, Ill.

MURPHEY, John  
B. Nov. 24, 1813  
D. July 19, 1878  
Our Father and Mother are Gone. They Lay Beneath the Sod. Our Parents,Though We Miss Thee Much We Know You Rest With God.

**** No stone for mother.
MURPHEY, Leona
B. (ca. 1890) D. Dec. 30, 1900
Aged 9 y. 5 m. 19 d. Daughter of J. A. & Nancy Murphey.
**** Daughter of James Auzzie and Nancy Moore Murphey.

MURPHEY, Auzzie
B. Sept. 21, 1884 D. Feb. 6, 1961
**** John Auzzie Murphey.

PIERCe, J. M.
B. (ca. 1856) D. Aug. 28, 1876
Aged 19 yrs. 6 mo. 9 days.
**** Presumed to be son of Stephen and Elizabeth Price Pierce.

ROBINSON, Nancy M.
B. (ca. 1851) D. Sept. 19, 1871
Aged 19 yrs. 5 mo. 23 days. Wife of J. F. Robinson.
**** Daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Price Pierce. Sister to Stephen Alfred (Mary Turner)

PIERCE, Stephen
B. (ca. 1807) D. Jan. 16, 1881
Aged 74 yrs. 5 mo. 23 days. Husband of Elizabeth Pierce.
Four line inscription illegible.
**** Son of James and Mary Masters Pierce. Brother of James T? Stephen Alfred (Mary Turner).

Taken from First 1000 recorded deaths in Franklin County, Ill. No. 611 Stephen Pierce Male, farmer, married, born in Virginia, Res 19 years. Age 74 yrs 6 Mo. 10 days (stone different). Died January 15 (stone says 16) at 10 P.M. in Goode Twp. Died of Pneumonia, left lung, 3 days duration. Buried Horse Prairie 16, Jan 1884 by D. Johnson, and friends. Physician A. J. Layman, DuQuoin
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PIERCE, Elizabeth
B. (ca. 1808) D. July 19, 1898
Aged 79 y 4 m 7 d Wife of Stephen Pierce.

In sorrow we have laid thee
In the peaceful grave's embrace
but Thy memories will be cherished
till we see thy heavenly face

**** Mother of Stephen Alfred Pierce and Grandmother of Phillip Pierce.

FITZGERRELL, Sarah D.
B. (ca. 1861) D. Aug.15, 1865
Aged 4 y. 11 d. Dau of W.L. and M.A. Fitzgerrell.
**** Daughter of William Lawrence and M. A. Fitzgerrell.

HUIE, Martha
B. (Dates faded) D. (Dates faded)
Wife of James F. Huie.
**** Nee Pierce. Stone broke off. Reset and dates gone.
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HUIE, James F.
B. (ca. 1812) D. Feb. 20, 1873
Aged 61 yrs. 3 mo. 20 days.
**** Born Nov. 11, 1811.

HUIE, Nancy J.
B. (ca. 1857) D. Feb. 24, 1863
**** Daughter of James F. and Martha Pierce Huie.
LAMASTUS, Elizabeth B. J.  *His Wife*  
B. (No dates)  D. (No dates)  
Wife of Thos G. G. Lamastus. Erected by Mattie  
**** Nee Elizabeth Jane Cockrum.  
+  
LAMASTUS, Thos. G. G.  
B. (No dates)  D. (No dates)  
**** Children; Thomas M. Lamastus (Sarah J. Johnston, daughter of James W. and Mary A. Conner Johnston), Emily J. Lamastus (Alonzo F. Fisher, son of William D. and Mary Hadden Fisher, married Feb. 19, 1885).  

Marker without inscription  

LEWIS, Edward L.  
B. 1861  D. 1943  
**** Father to Thurman Lewis, Hosea Lewis, John Lewis, Archie Lewis, Effie Lewis (died as baby), infant son, Dessie Lewis, Rella Lewis.  
+  
LEWIS, Ada J.  
B. 1867  D. 1931  
Sister to Ruth A. Kirkpatrick (Sanford Brown), William Francis (Alta Harrison)(Cora Davis Moore)(Bessie West), Mary A. Kirkpatrick (Aaron Jones), Louisa Kirkpatrick (Thomas Stubblefield), Cora B. Kirkpatrick (Ramson Crain/King) Ida Kirkpatrick (Theodore Jones).  

Two children on one stone  

LEWIS, *Inf. Son*  
B. June 1, 1890  D. June 12, 1890  
Aged 12 days. Son of E L. and A. Lewis.  
**** Infant son of Edward L. and Ada J. Kirkpatrick Lewis.  

LEWIS, Effie  
B. Nov 30, 1891  D. Feb. 24, 1892  
Dau of E.L. & A.J. Lewis.  
**** Daughter of Edward L. and Ada J. Kirkpatrick Lewis.  

Unmarked stone. Initials J. P. M.  

JOHNSON, Sadie Mendenall  
B. May 14, 1901  D. Nov. 20, 1930  
**** Daughter of John T. and Sarah Ann Whitlow Johnson.  

JOHNSON, John T.  
B. March 16, 1855  D. Jan. 4, 1948  
**** Son of Thomas Johnston (son of Philip and Lucinda Smith Johnston) and Mary Ann Thornsbury (dau. of William Thornsbury and Jane Chapman Thornsbury). Children: Lela (Otto Jones), James (Zelma Vaughn), Charley, Maggie Ethel (Harvey Valetine Atchison), Lulu (Rascoe Kirkpatrick), Bertie (Vallie Taylor), John (Jennie Brown), Sadie Johnston, 1901-1930 (Herman Mendenhall). Sister, Mary Jane Johnston (Monroe "Mum" Story).  
+  
JOHNSON, Sarah Ann  
B. Nov. 15, 1859  D. Jan. 14, 1947  
**** Daughter of Golsten and Margaret McClelland Whitlow. Sister to Walter Whitlow and Sherman (father of Ruth Alma Curry).
SECTION I, ROW 4

RAMSEY, Fred M.  B. 1913  D. (No date)

RAMSEY, Alline  B. 1917  D. 1952
****  First wife of Fred Ramsey.

RAMSEY, Ollie  B. 1882  D. 1967

RAMSEY, Henry  B. 1879  D. 1951
**** Ruben Henry Ramsey, son of William H. and Martha Ann Ramsey was born March 24, 1879. Died Jan. 18, 1951 in Sesser. Married Ollie Kirkpatrick 16 Aug, 1904. Three sons; Claude Ramsey, Russell Ramsey, and Fred M. Ramsey (Ollie Kirkpatrick) and William Paul Ramsey who passed away when 3 months and 8 days. Siblings: Mrs. Julia Roberts of Tamaroa, Mrs. Mollie Norris of DuQuoin, III., Guy C. Ramsey of Camirillo, Mrs. Pearl Ramsey (Slade of Valier), and Stella Ramsey (Brock of DuQuoin).

RAMSEY, William Paul  B. 1904  D. 1904
**** Presumed to be child of Ruben Henry Ramsey and Ollie Kirkpatrick


HAMILTON, Malinda  B. (ca. 1873)  D. Apr. 21, 1898
****  Aged about 25 years. Presumed to be child of Jesse R. and Margaret D. Hamilton.

PENIGER, Sarah J.  B. Feb. 10, 1852  D. Jan. 20, 1881
****  Sarah Jane Moore, daughter of James P. and Mary Day Moore. Sarah Jane Moore and John Penigar had son John Penigar, born Sept. 12, 1874, died July 12, 1938, buried Walker Cemetery, near Bloomfield, Missouri. 1880 census shows daughter Mary E.

Unmarked stone with initials J.M.

HAMILTON, Sarah A.  B. Sept. 15, 1880  D. Sept. 9. 1881
Dau of J. R. & M. D. Hamilton.
****  Daughter of Jesse R. and Margaret D. Hamilton.

HAMILTON, Martha A.  B. July 19, 1868  D. Aug. 5, 1881
Dau of J. R. & M. D. Hamilton.
****  Daughter of Jesse R. and Margaret D. Hamilton.

BOYD, David M.  B. (ca. 1861)  D. July 27, 1881
Aged 20 y 4 m 17 d
Two line illegible inscription, ends with “path of righteousness”
HAMILTON, Robert T.                                      B. Sept. 30, 1872  D. Oct. 5, 1873
Son of J. R. & M. D. Hamilton.
**** Son of Jesse R. and Margaret D. Hamilton.

KIRKPATRICK, Children of J. F. and M. T.
**** This stone is surrounded by four stones without inscription, two on each side.

Four children stones to accompany above stone

Dau. of J. F. and M. T. Kirkpatrick.
**** Daughter of John Foster and Margaret T. Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, John Nelson                                     B. Nov. 8, 1884  D. Dec. 31, 1888
Son of J. F. & M. T. Kirkpatrick.
**** Son of John F. and Margaret T. Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Infant                                          B. (No date)  D. Sept. 21, 1871
**** Son of John F. and Margaret T. Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Arvesta                                          B. Jan. 9, 1870  D. June 7, 1871
Child of J. F. and M. T. Kirkpatrick.
**** Son of John F. and Margaret Kirkpatrick.

LOYD, Dora Kirkpatrick  Rest in Peace                      B. 1878  D. 1913

KIRKPATRICK, Prudence A.  At Rest                          B. (ca. 1841)  D. Mar 25, 1910
Aged 68 yrs. 3 mo. 13 days. Wife of W T Kirkpatrick.
**** Prudence Ann, daughter of James F. and Martha Pierce Huie. Brothers and Sisters: Mary B. Huie (born 1836 in North Carolina), John K. (born in 1839), James Meredith (born June 6, 1839), Sarah E. Huie (born June 18, 1844), Nancy J. Huie (born 1847, died Feb. 16, 1863), George Huie, William Huie, Margaret Huie (born Dec. 12, 1851, died Aug. 9, 1882

KIRKPATRICK, William T.  At Rest                           B. (ca. 1838)  D. Aug. 21, 1891
Aged 52 yrs. 9 mo. 2 days.

COOK, Mary E.                                              B. (ca. 1865)  D. 1865
Age 9 mo. 12 days. Daughter of W. G. and P.A. Cook.

Unmarked stone. Initials J. F. H.
Unmarked stone. Initials N. J. H.

Row continues out of line

KIRKPATRICK, Emma M.  
B. March 26, 1905  
D. Feb. 23, 1907

Dau of Thomas & Cora
**** Daughter of Thomas and Cora Lance Kirkpatrick. Brother and Sisters: Hiram Kirkpatrick (Effie Dycus), Bertha Kirkpatrick (Coy Rogers), Ozzie S, (Pauline Lucas), Bertha (Coy Rogers), Grace Kirkpatrick, Geraldine Kirkpatrick (Martin), Edith Kirkpatrick (Norris)(A. White).

KIRKPATRICK, Zella A.  
B. May 11, 1894  
D. Aug.20, 1895

Dau of Thomas and Cora
**** Daughter of Thomas and Cora Lance Kirkpatrick.

Unmarked sand rock.

KIRKPATRICK, Mary L.  
B. 1870  
D. 1889

Mother of Flossie M. Mabus.  

KIRKPATRICK, Eva  
B. 1906  
D. 1927

+

KIRKPATRICK, Ivan  
B. 1902  
D. 1957

**** Son of William Francis and Adah H. Harrison Kirkpatrick.
+

KIRKPATRICK, Geneva  
B. 1909  
D. 1952


SECTION I, ROW 5

BRADLEY, Elsie  
B. June 25, 1912  
D. Aug 16, 1997
BRADLEY, Robert H.  B. Oct. 16, 1898  D. July 2, 1960
***** Died in Missouri Baptist Hospital, St. Louis, Mo. Son of Marshal and Parsetta Arterberry Bradley. Brother Louis Bradley (Elsie Gulley, daughter of Walter and Claudia Dennis Gulley), a sister Frances E. (Stephen Earl Thompson, son of Stephen A. and Francis Melshunk Thompson). Three half brothers, Earl Garner Bradley (Ethel Brayfield), Earl Garner Bradley mother was Francis Brown. Stanley Lambert (Hattie Louisa Payne), Mose Lambert. Two half sisters, Etta Bradley (Hill)(Marlow), Viola/Ola Uhles. Gilbert Bradley (Ethel Parks, married to James G. Elkins first), a half brother, died 1946, burial in DuQuoin. Survived by widow and step son James Elkins of DuQuoin, brother E. G. Bradley, sister Etta Bradley (Hill) of Benton, two half brothers, Bob Bradley and Louis Bradley and half sister Francis Bradley (Earl Thompson). Later married Elsie

BRADLEY, Alice M.  His Wife  B. Sept. 23, 1903  D. May 21, 1930

HAMILTON, Jesse R.  Father At Rest  B. March 20, 1840  D. March 7, 1912
***** Children: Elizabeth C. Hamilton, James Henry Hamilton (Amanda Frances Veach), Martha A. (died age 13), Stephen T. Hamilton (Laura Eaton, dau. of William and Harriett Boswell), William A. Hamilton (died young), Nancy E. Hamilton (E. Herman), Sarah A. Hamilton (died 1 yr.), Robert T. Hamilton (died young), John A. Hamilton (died young).

HAMILTON, Margret D.  His Wife  B. Jan. 26, 1843  D. Dec. 6, 1921
Mother
At Rest
***** Wife of Jesse R. Hamilton.

Herman, Nancy C.  Wife of E. Herman  B. Oct. 15, 1876  D. Aug. 16, 1904
Dau of J. R. & M. D. Hamilton and Wife of E. Herman.
***** Daughter of Jesse R. and Margret D. Hamilton. Phillips has G. for initial

HAMILTON, John A.  B. July 11, 1885  D. Oct. 5, 1892
Son of J R & M D Hamilton.
***** Son of Jesse R. and Margret D. Hamilton.

Son of J. R. & M. D. Hamilton.
***** Son of Jesse R. and Margaret D. Hamilton.

PIERCE, Daniel W.  B. (ca. 1874)  D. Dec. 5, 1878
Son of D. W. and S. A. Pierce. 1 y 8 m 18 d
***** Son of Daniel William and Salesta Cockrum Pierce and grandson of Stephen Alfred Pierce and Mary Ann Turner. Siblings: Marion Pierce, William Pierce (Ethel Hempleman)(Shroeder), Renna Pierce (Tackett), Thomas Lindsey Pierce (Daisy Lillie Provart), Louie Pierce, Mary Jane Pierce (Chester Billows), Scott Pierce (went to Texas).
MCFATRIDGE, George E.  B. Sept. 18, 1866  D. Feb. 13, 1890  
Aged 23 y 4 m 25 d  Son of Samuel & S. J. McFatridge.  
Five line inscription illegible.  
**** Son of Samuel and Sidney Jane King McFatridge.  

Broken stone  

MACFATRIDGE, Samuel  B. Feb. 16, 1829  D. March 28, 1883  
Two line inscription.  First line illegible.  Second line says “He doeth all things well.”  
**** Husband of Sidney King.  Married Nov. 25, 1852.  

MCFATRIDGE, John W.  B. Sept. 26, 1853  D. Dec. 16, 1889  
Aged 36 y 2 m 20 d  
Seven line inscription illegible.  Last two lines:  *Sustained and soothed an unflagging trust*  
*Approach the grave…*  
**** Son of Samuel and Sidney J. King McFatridge  
+  
MCFATRIDGE, Virginia Alice  B. March 1, 1850  D. Jan. 6, 1932  
Wife of John W. McFatridge.  
**** Virginia Alice Kelley Reid, daughter of C. J. and Pauline Haynes Kelley.  

MCFATRIDGE, S. J.  B. March 13, 1834  D. April 14, 1920  
**** Sidney King McFatridge, wife of Samuel McFatridge.  Married Nov. 25, 1852.  Children:  
Rachel McFatridge (Oasis Denton Crouch)(Browning), Sarah McFatridge (Eubanks), George E. McFatridge, John W. McFatridge (Virginia Alice Kelly), Nancy McFatridge (William Day Moore).  

PIERCE, William F.  B. June 11, 1856  D. Oct. 25, 1858  
Son of J. H. & M. E. Pierce.  
**** Son of James H. and Mary E. Masters Pierce.  

Custer of four stones  

PIERCE, Allie S.  B. March 20, 1853  D. Jan. 16, 1890  
**** Allie S. McCollum, wife of Moses D. Pierce.  Children:  Nancy Pierce (George Washington Short), Wm. T. Pierce, Alva Pierce,  
+  
PIERCE, Moses D.  Father  B. March 20, 1839  D. June 17, 1912  

PIERCE, Wm. T.  Son  B. Aug. 30, 1873  D. Jan. 30, 1890  

SHORT, Nancy Pierce  Mother  B. Dec. 29, 1871  D. Nov. 19, 1956
****Married George Washington Short, buried in Maple Hill. Children: Grace Short (William Rogers), Joy Short (Albert Hatcher), Lillian Short (Joe Pioletti). Daughter of Moses and Allie S. McCollum Pierce

SECTION I, ROW 6

STOCKTON, Rachel  At Rest  B. March 7, 1883  D. July 3, 1972
**** Daughter of Malinda Lewis Bates and Killibrew Bates. Children of Rachel and Hayes Stockton: Noble (Grace Galloway)(Goldie Inabnit Grob), Freda (Royal Montgomery)(Grant Eubanks), Nora (Marion Taylor), Mae (William Isenhart), Sadie (Wathan Robinson), Martha (died 1925), Floyd (died 1918), Alice (Robert H. Bradley). For siblings of Rachel see Killibrew Bates, Section I, Row 7. Obituary, Sesser Review, July 5, 1972: “Rachel Stockton, 89, of Sesser, died Monday at the Skilled Care Unit of Franklin Hospital, Benton, after an extended illness. A lifelong resident of Franklin County, she was the widow of Hayes Stockton. She is survived by six children, Noble Stockton, Nora Taylor, Mae Isenhart and Sadie Robinson, all of Sesser, and Ralph Stockton and Mrs. Freda Eubanks of Benton; 14 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren, and ten great-great grandchildren. Funeral services were at 2 p.m., today at the Brayfield Funeral Home in Sesser with the Rev. James Hicks officiating. Internment was in Horse Prairie Cemetery.”

STOCKTON, Hayes  B. July 2, 1878  D. March 24, 1932
*** Francis Hayes Stockton. From 1900 census. “Haze” Stockton born July 1877, 22 years old single, born in Ill., father born in Ky., mother in Middle Tenn.. He was in home of brother George Stockton, born Jan. 1859, 41 years old, married 9 years. Born in Arkansas. Hayes Stockton was the son of Wiley Short Stockton and Millie Caroline (Carr) Stockton. In 1883 George first married Jessie F. Galloway from Perry Co., daughter of John Galloway and Bina Veach. No known children. Married 2nd Mary Mooneyham, born Feb. 1872, age 28. She had 4 children. Her son by first marriage, Arvel Mooneyham, born Aug. 1888, age 11; children by her second marriage; Stella Stockton, born Oct. 1891, age 8; Wiley Stockton born June 6, 1897; Bertie Stockton born Dec. 1899. Obituary: “Frances Hays Stockton was born on a farm near Buckner, Illinois, July 2, 1887. He was a son of Wiley and Carolina Stockton. He was one of a family of ten children, six boys and four girls. Of these, four died in infancy, one brother, George and one sister, Saraham, Christine preceded him in death. He leaves three brothers, Louis, John, and Sam, all living near Valier, Illinois, and one sister, Mrs. Mary Mundell of Paragould, Ark. He married Rachel Bates on the 11th day of August, 1900. To this union nine children were born. Three of these, Mrs. Alice Bradley, Martha and Floyd, preceded him to the Great Beyond. The remaining children, one son, Noble and one daughter, Mrs. Nora Taylor, live near Sesser on a farm, and the rest, Mae, Ralph, Freda, and Sadie were at home with their parents. Mrs. And Mrs. Stockton were progressive farmers who spent most of their lives on farms in Franklin county. They were well and favorably known throughout this community. Mr. Stockton was very industrious. He was devoted to his family and spent all his efforts to make his family comfortable and happy. He was a careful and conscientious student of the Bible and was well versed in its teachings. He was honest and dependable. He numbered his friends by his acquaintances and while very unassuming, and plain spoken, yet he was sincerely admired for his sterling qualities, wherever he was known. He was active and appeared to be strong until a few days preceding his death. He became ill with a bad cold, which quickly developed into pneumonia from which he died at his home on the 24th day of March, 1932 at 3:00 a.m. He leaves his widow, the children, the brothers and the sisters already named, seven grandchildren, many other relatives and a host of friends to mourn his untimely departure.” In 1934 the family published the following notice: “IN MEMORIAM. In loving memory of FRANCIS HAYSE STOCKTON Who passed
away eleven years ago March 24, 1923. We will miss your smile and your Friendly hand, But we know you are now in slumber land. Some day when all of our toils Are o’er We long to meet you on that Bright shore. Sadly missed by wife, Mrs. Rachel Stockton, and Children”

STOCKTON, Martha C. B. Feb. 8, 1908 D. July 11, 1925
Aged 17 y 5 m 3 d Daughter of F. H. & N. R. Stockton.
Inscription illegible.

STOCKTON, C. Floyd At rest B. June 21, 1914 D. Dec. 8, 1918
Aged 4 yrs. 6 mo. 13 days. Son of F. H. & N. R. Stockton.
**** Son of Francis Hayes and N. Rachel Stockton. Died of pneumonia.

LAMBERT, John W. B. 1865 D. 1953
**** Brothers; Walter Lambert, Robert Lambert, sister Lucy Lambert (Jones) Children: Patti L. Lambert (Browning), Leah Lambert (Soucie).

LAMBERT, Zoe E. B. 1875 D. 1963
**** Daughter of Robert and Julina King Phillips.

BROWNING, Patti L. Mother At Rest B. Dec. 1, 1897 D. March 24, 1929
**** Daughter of John W. and Zoe E. Lambert.

TEAGUE, Malinda Mother At Rest B. Sept. 25, 1827 D. Oct. 24, 1916
Wife of Joshua Teague.

PHILLIPS, Robert B. (ca. 1801) D. July 9, 1884
Aged 83 y 2 m 19 d

PHILLIPS, Julina King His Wife B. May 5, 1855 D. Dec. 3, 1926

TEAGUE, Van M. B. July 15, 1849 D. Sept. 30, 1913

TEAGUE, Walter C. B. (No date) D. Nov. 16, 1872
Son of Van M. & N. A. Teague.
**** Son of Van M. and Nan King Teague.
TEAGUE, Annie V.  B. (ca. 1871)  D. Sept. 10, 1872  
Age 1 y 7 m 22 d  Dau of V. M. and N. A. Teague.  
**** Daughter of Van M. and Nan/Nancy T. King Teague.

MCCOLLUM, Sarah  Mother  B. (ca. 1824)  D. (ca. 1883)  
Two line inscription illegible   Age 59 yrs.  

PHILLIPS, Sarah J.  B. (ca. 1858)  D. Feb. 6, 1859  
Aged 4 m 19 d  Dau of J. H. & M. Phillips.  

PHILLIPS, Martha  B. (ca. 1856)  D. Dec. 5, 1858  
Aged 1 yr. 11 m 11 d  Dau of J. H. and M. Phillips.  

PIERCE, Mary  B. (ca. 1793)  D. Feb. 11, 1859  
Aged 66 y 9 m 9 d  Dau of J. and E. Masters and consort of J. Pierce.  
**** Daughter of James and Mary E. Masters, wife of James Pierce.  Children: Mary M. Pierce, James T. Pierce, George Pierce, John N. Pierce, Sarah E. Pierce  Note from First 1000 recorded deaths in Franklin County, Ill. No. 639 Book 1 page 50 recorded 15 Aug. 1885. Mary J. Masters female single, Born in Washington Co., Ill. Age 11 yrs 9 mo 13 days. Died 21 Jul 1885 at 6, in Goode Twp. of Cerebral Spinal Meningitis, 5 days duration. Buried Horse Prairie Cem. 22 July 1885 by D. Johnson. Physician S. J. Layman, Tamaroa, Ill. No stone found for this burial.

PIERCE, James  B. (ca. 1783)  D. July 14, 1863  
Aged 80 y 3 m 9 d

PIERCE, Nancy A.  B. June 26, 1815  D. June 23, 1869  

PIERCE, M. H.  B. (Sept. 13, 1811)  D. March 27, 1898  
Aged 86 y 6 m 11 d  
**** Children:  Catherine (O. Denton Coates).

COATS, O. Denton  B. Oct. 4, 1834  D. May 8, 1899  

COATES, Catherine  In Memory  B. 1844  D. 1914  
**** Daughter of W. H. Pierce and Nancy A.  Stone base says Coates, as does Catherine’s stone

The following stones are clustered
HUDSON, Jackie Lee  B. Oct. 28, 1931  D. Dec. 5, 1931
**** Child of George and Beulah Atchison Hudson.

**** Child of George and Beulah Atchison Hudson.

HUDSON, Margaret Jane  B. 1937  D. 1937
**** Daughter of George and Beulah A. Atchison Hudson.

HUDSON, Beulah M.  B. July 16, 1910  D. (June 15, 1998)
**** Beulah Magnolia Atchison, daughter of Harvey Valetine and Maggie Ethel Atchison
+
HUDSON, George  B. Oct. 22, 1906  D. April 8, 1986
**** Husband of Beulah Atchison.

SECTION I, ROW 7

BATES, K. B.  B. Dec. 3, 1846  D. Mar. 27, 1927
+
BATES, Malinda  B. Nov. 14, 1853  D. Dec. 23, 1938
**** Daughter of John Bunyan Lewis and Rachel Hammond Lewis, granddaughter of James Lewis and Angeline Beasley Lewis, and Samuel Vincent Hammond and Catherine Stevens Hammond. Siblings: Albert Lewis (half brother), Sophronia, Louisa, Vienna Lewis, Edward Lewis (Ada Kirkpatrick), Bettie Lewis (George Washington Moore), John Sherman Lewis, George Lewis, Amanda Lewis (L. S. Brayfield), Cassabianca”Cassida” (Martha Cook), Sanford, Edward Lfandsie, Margaret E.

BATES, Dimpsey T. Killed in Action  B. Feb. 27, 1882  D. Oct. 9, 1918
We shall find our missing soldiers in our father's mansion fair
****Dimpsey Tucker Bates. Killed on the Western Front barely a month before the war ended. He was the only resident of Sesser to die during World War I. The local American Legion is named Bates Post in his honor. Difference in date of month on regular stone and military marker. Dempsey is another spelling of name. Son of Killibrew and Malinda Lewis Bates.

BATES, Ezra  B. (ca. 1889)  D. Aug. 4, 1906
Aged 17 yrs. 1 mo. 18 days. Son of K. B. and Malinda Lewis Bates. Inscription illegible.
HAMILTON, James Hervey          B. July 19, 1868          D. Jan. 15, 1943
 ****  Husband of Amanda Frances Veach.  Son of Jesse R. & Margaret D. Hamilton.
 Children: Arthur Frances Hamilton (Cora Allen), Laura E. (Irvin Hammonds), Isaac R.,
 John Harvey Hamilton (Alta Velva Bennett)(Modest Dunbar), Jesse R. (Ebbie Burton),
 Margaret Hamilton (Cole), Frances "Fannie" Hamilton (Johnson).  Brothers: Stephen
 Thomas Hamilton (Laura Eaton), Jesse Hamilton (Mae Page) others that died young.
+
HAMILTON, Amanda Frances          B. Feb. 2, 1866          D. Feb. 11, 1955
 ****  Married Nov.19, 1891. Daughter of Franklin Brooks Veach (born Oct. 30, 1829) and Lucy
 Ann Williamson, only daughter of Marmaduke and Rebecca Pascall Williamson.  Franklin and Lucy
 Ann married Dec.30, 1858 near Cottage Grove, Tenn.  Came to Johnson County, Illinois 1864.
 Grand daughter of Silas & Rachel McConnell Veach.  Great grand parents: Manuel (1757-1842) and
 Martha Armstrong McConnell.  Great-great grandparents McConnell and Tabitha Ward.  (1757
 lived Port Tobacco, St. Charles Co. Maryland).
 Marker broken off, no readable information.
+
HAMILTON, Alta Velva Bennett          B. 1899          D. 1921
 ****  Daughter of Thomas Charles and Rosa Jones Bennett.  Facing photograph of young woman.
+
HAMILTON, John Hervey          B. 1899          D. (No date)
 ****  Son of James Hervey and Amanda Frances Veach Hamilton. Buried elsewhere.

Row continues out of line

MOORE, Infant B. June 4, 1883          D. June 4, 1883
 Infant of William Day and Nancy A. McFatridge Moore.

MOORE, W. D.          Father          B. March 24, 1850          D. Dec. 14, 1926
 ****  William Day Moore, son of James P. and Mary Day Moore.  Children: Stephen
 J.Moore (died as child), Drue Nelson Moore (Matilda Elizabeth Kelly), James M. Moore
 (Cora Davis), Samuel Moore (Elizabeth "Lizzie" Thompson), Alfred Moore (Addie
 Thompson), John (2nd wife Allie Loucks), Minnie Moore (James Davis), Mary Moore
 (Frank Gruchala).  Sister, Nancy Moore (John Foster Kirkpatrick). Brother, George
 Washington Moore (Margaret Elizabeth "Bettie" Lewis).
+
MOORE, Nancy A.          His Wife          B. Jan. 24, 1855          D. July 4, 1934
 ****  Daughter of Samuel (b. 1830 Ill.) and Sidney King McFatridge.  Brothers and sisters:
 Rachel McFatridge (Oasis Denton Crouch), Sarah Jane McFatridge (Eubanks), George
 McFatridge.  Wife of John Foster Kirkpatrick after death of William Day Moore.

 Gone but not Forgotten          Aged 78 yrs. 7 mo. 15 days
Three graves on one stone

MOORE, Mary  
Wife of J. P. Moore  
B. 1826  
D. April 2, 1895  
Aged 68 yrs. 3 mo. 13 days.

+  

MOORE, James P.  
1868  
A precious one from us is gone
A voice we loved is stilled
A place is absent in our hearts
That never can be filled

D. Sept. 30,

MOORE, Stephen  
Son of J. P. & M. Moore  
B. 1858  
D. 1859  
Aged 11 m 18 d  
**** Son of James P. and Mary Day Moore. Name on back of big stone.

MOORE, Stephen J.  
B. (ca. 1858)  
D. Aug. 16, 1859  
Aged 11 m 18 d  
Son of J. P. & M. Moore  
**** Son of James P. and Mary Day Moore. This name also on big Moore stone.

PIERCÉ, Margaret T.  
B. (ca. 1847)  
D. Sept. 23, 1869  
Aged 12 y 1 m 26 d  
Daughter of W. H. and Nancy A. Pierce.

Small stone Initials N. A. P.  
B. (No date)  
D. (No date)  
**** Probably Nancy A. Pierce  

Small stone initials W. H. P.  His Wife  
B. (No date)  
D. (No date)  
**** Probably William H. Pierce  

PIERCÉ, William B.  
B. July 18, 1854  
D. Nov. 19, 1878  
**** Son of W. H. and Nancy A. Pierce.

HILL, Clarence Orval  
B. June 10, 1893  
D. Jan. 10, 1894  

SECTION I, ROW 7a

(These two stones are between two full rows)

RAY, Louisa M.  B. (ca. 1838)  D. Jan. 9, 1873
Aged 35 yrs. 9 mo. 11 days. Wife of J. L. Ray.
**** Stone laying flat on ground.

BROGDON, William W.  B. (ca. 1830)  D. March 17, 1869
Aged 39 yrs. 4 mo 2 days.
**** This family lived in White Oak area, back of Ellen Yung home.

SECTION I, ROW 8

TUCKER, Monroe  B. 1873  D. 1945
+

TUCKER, Woodroe  B. 1913  D. 1920
**** Woodroe Wilson, son of Monroe and Lula Bates Tucker.

TUCKER, Infant  B. 1917  D. 1917
**** Child of Monroe and Lula Bates Tucker.

TUCKER, Emzie  B. 1908  D. 1916
**** Son of Monroe and Lula Bates Tucker.

TUCKER, Killabrew  B. 1905  D. 1911
**** Son of Monroe & Lula Bates Tucker.

TUCKER, Infant  B. 1915  D. 1915
**** Son of Monroe & Lulu Bates Tucker.

WRIGHT, Ora O.  B. 1881  D. 1910
**** Daughter of Oscar and Eve Mabus Sulcer
+
WRIGHT, Stephen Z.  B. 1877  D. 1956
**** Stephen Zacharia son of Eliza/ Elizabeth Robinson (daughter of Alexander and Lucinda Lewis Robinson) and Zachariah Wright deceased in 1880 census. Children: Floette (Parrish). Half sisters and brother; Jesse Taylor (Isham Farris), Ethel Taylor (Cook), Josie

**JONES, W. A.**  
B. Jan. 1859  
D. Jan. 1905  
**** William Aaron, son of Jonathan and Margaret R. Allen Jones. Brothers and sisters: James M. (Feby Elizabeth Jones, daughter of James Calvin and Sarah E. McGlasson Jones), Martha E. Jones, Margaret L. Jones. Son, Otto Jones (Letha Johnston), daughter Tina Jones (P. Ambrose Hill).  
+

**JONES, Mary**  
B. July 1862  
D. Jan. 1933  
**** Mary A. Kirkpatrick, daughter of George Washington and Sarah Elizabeth Huie Kirkpatrick.

Unmarked stone. White Granite.

Unmarked stone. White granite.

**PHILLIPS, Robert L.**  
B. (ca. 1890)  
D. April 28, 1890  
Aged 3 days. Son of Robert and Julina King Phillips.

**MUSSELMAN, Benjamin F.**  
B. Jan. 17, 1880  
D. (No date)  
**** Buried in Maple Hill with 2nd wife Jennie Farris.  
+

**MUSSELMAN, Maggie E.**  
B. May 24, 1881  
D. Dec. 14, 1915  
**** Daughter of Robert and Julina King Phillips. 1st wife of Benjamin F. Musselman.

**PHILLIPS, Edna May**  
B. 1884  
D. 1916  
Wife of Nova L Phillips  
**** Nova was the son of Robert and Julina King Phillips. May have had 2 children. Daughter of Oscar Shiloh Martel and Mary Elnora Hargett Martel. Siblings: Elsie Martel (Axum Revelle), Mary A. Martel (Roy A. Gulley, Elmer Martel, Bertha Martel (Delapp), Jennie Martel (never married), Zetta Pauline Martel (Julius Ralph Oglesby), Arthur Martel (died in infancy), Nellie F. Martel (died at age 9), John Frank (died in infancy). Nova married 2nd, Gladys Unknown.

**PHILLIPS, William Paul**  
B. June 28, 1915  
D. Jan. 1 1917  
Son of J. G. & B. L. Phillips

**Partial Row, 8a, off center ¼ way down**

Unknown name, broken stone  
B. (ca. 1867)  
D. Jan. 15, 1879  
Aged 12 y 2 m 21 d  
**** Five line inscription illegible.

**COCKRUM, Ezra L.**  
B. Nov. 12, 1886  
D. Dec. 8, 1886
COCKRUM, Laura B. B. (ca. 1864) D. June 8, 1868
4 y 2 m 21 d
**** Possibly grandchild of J. & Sarah M. Cockrum.

COCKRUM, Sarah M. B (ca. 1803) D. Sept. 28, 1889
Two line inscription illegible.
Aged 86 y 11 m 20 d
+
COCKRUM, Matthew B. July 11, 1797 D. July 18, 1878

_Tis true he is to some hearts dear
And they for him in secret mourn._
**** Matthew Wesley, son of John and Susannah Calloway Cockrum. Children: Ann Eliza Cockrum (Josiah Willis), John Calloway Raburn Cockrum (Nancy Marshall), Mary B. Cockrum (never married), Henry Ayer Crocker (Nancy J. Greenwood) (Hester Hill Greenwood), William David Cockrum (Pernicia Sulcer), James Jackson Cockrum (Elizabeth Margaret Wilson). Brothers and sisters: William Cockrum, Betsy Cockrum (Nathaniel Wyatt), Dolly Cockrum (Garland Moore), Melinda Cockrum, Mahlday Cockrum, Thomas Cockrum (Mary A. Unknown), John Cockrum (Mary Roberson), Henry Cockrum (Irena Unknown), Susannah Cockrum (John Woodall),

BOSWELL, Etta E. B. Sept. 4, 1892 D. Dec. 15, 1892
Dau of R. S. & R. E. Boswell
**** Daughter of Ransom S. and Rosetta E. Cockrum Boswell.

COCKRUM, Nancy B. (ca. 1832) D. May 6, 1900
Aged 68 yrs. 1 day. Wife of John C. R. Cockrum.
+
COCKRUM, John C. R. B. Jan. 1, 1829 D. Nov. 6, 1910
**** Son of Matthew Wesley and Sarah Gibson Cockrum. Children (Mary Jane Cockrum (Branston Bilbrey), Sarah Cockrum (Greene Stewart), William Matthew "Lying" Cockrum (Melissa Kirkpatrick), Eliza A. Cockrum (Wiley Vaughn), Martha E. Cockrum (died young), James Henry Cockrum (Laura Provart), Laura Cockrum (b&d 5/8/1868), Florence M. Cockrum (died young), Minnie Cockrum (George Tackitt). Separate stones for Nancy and John Cockrum.

**Multiple names on one stone**

HILL, Tina Mae B. 1883 D. 1948
**** Nee Jones. Sister to Otto Jones. Children: Morse Hill, Paul Hill, Margaret Hill (Bolderjack), Mary Hill (Pankey).
+
HILL, Eld. P. A. B. 1879 D. 1957
**** P. Ambrose. Married Tina Jones. Brother to Lee Hill. Son of Preston and Emily Lewis Hill.
HILL, Leah Z. B. 1917 D. 1929
**** Presumed child of Tina and P. A.
HILL, W. Leslie B. 1905 D. 1920
**** Presumed child of Tina and P. A.
HILL, Audra Jane  B. 1906   D. 1907
Daughter of Earl and Mima Hill.

SECTION I, ROW 9

ISOM, Noah S.  and son  B. 1889   D. 1954
**** Noah Singleton Isom. Children: Marie Isom (Shoemaker), Opal Isom (Becker). Half brother and sisters, Bill Isom, Lizzie, Mandy (by first wife of Noah), Jim by second wife (divorced).

Small piece of white marker.

ISOM, James Clyde  Father  B. April 9, 1910   D. April 15, 1984
At Rest  Drawing of two deer in forest.
**** Son of Charles Greer and Iva Pearl Motsinger Isom. Children: Howard Isom, Joan Isom (Dees), Geneva Isom (Williams), Doris Isom (Dotson). Siblings: Nina Isom (Floyd Foster), Bertie Isom (Leonel Cockrum), Leo D. Isom (Hilda Shurtz), John Wayne Isom (Wanda Carter).

ISOM, Noah  B. 1849   D. 1933
**** Son of Bolen Isom and Elizabeth Roberts Isom. Children: Annie Isom (Burleigh Murry), Myrtle Mary Isom (Chancy Morgan), Georgia Isom (Frank Page), Rella Isom (never married), Charles Greer Isom (Iva Pearl Motsinger), Singleton Isom, Hazel Isom (died young), Bertie Isom (died young), Amanda Isom (daughter by first wife (Frank Davis), William Isom born 1869 (son by first wife, infant, Elmira Isom (Albert Thompson) Brothers and sisters: Henry Isom (Susannah Junkins, daughter of Jim Junkins), William "Bill" Isom, Jasper "Dick" Isom, Benjamin Frank Isom (Caroline), Judy Isom, Levina or Lorena Isom, Tennessee "Tennie" Isom, McMinn (Mack) Isom, Elizabeth Isom. Married Sophonia Unknown in later years. Married 1st (Unknown) Children, Amanda born 1873, Bill born 1869, Sarah born in 1871, these listed in 1880 census of Bald Hill Township, Jefferson Co., Illinois.
+
ISOM, Amanda  B. 1862   D. 1909

These five stones are clustered

ISOM, Bertie J.  B. Feb. 9, 1893   D. Feb. 2, 1903
Daughter of Noah and Amanda Davis Isom.

ISOM, Infant  B. Dec. 28, 1901   D. Dec. 28, 1901
Infant son of Noah and Amanda Davis Isom.

Daughter of Frank and Amanda J. Isom Davis.
Daughter of Noah and Amanda J. Isom.

ISOM, Hazel B. June 30, 1891 D. July 30, 1894
Daughter of Noah and Amanda Davis Isom.

Row continues out of line

Small marker. Charlie only. No other information.
**** Close to Charles B. Wilkerson stone. Possibly an infant son.

WILKERSON, Emily E. B. (ca. 1848) D. July 24, 1874
Aged 26 y 7 m 6 d Wife of H. K. Wilkerson.
+
WILKERSON, Charles B. B. (ca. 1874) D. Sept. 2, 1874
Aged 5 m 8 d Son of H. K. & E. E. Wilkerson.

WALKER, Narcissus B. (ca. 1851) D. Dec. 19, 1874
Aged 23 y 7 m 17 d Wife of J. W. Walker.
**** Wife of James Wesley/West Walker. Daughter of John C. and Mary A. Goode Estes. Brothers and Sisters: Manerva C. Estes (Horace/Phillips/Harris), Lucy Jane Estes (Francis McDonald Kirkpatrick), Benjamin F. Estes, Monroe L. Estes (Sarah M. Walker), Jincy Ann Estes (Francis Marion Kirkpatrick), Joseph C. Estes (Emily M. Mulkey), Artemisa Estes (Wm. Reid), Lutecia Estes (Philip A. Tinsley). Children: Alexander Walker (Eleanor Kirkpatrick), Mary E. Walker.

WALKER, Mary E. B (ca. 1874) D. Aug. 7, 1874
Aged 1 y 2 d Daughter of J. W. & N. Walker.
**** Daughter of James Wesley and Narcissus Estes Walker

WALKER, the twin brothers Unmarked stone with lamb. No information.

At Rest B. (No dates) D. (No dates)

WALKER, Charles C. B. July 14, 1884 D. July 25, 1940
**** Believed to be son of John Wesley and Cynthia Snodgrass Walker.

WALKER, Lurena Mae At Rest B. Oct. 1, 1891 D. Dec. 28, 1985
**** Daughter of John Wesley and Cynthia Snodgrass Walker.

WALKER, J. W. B. May 17, 1846 D. July 13, 1918
+
WALKER, Cynthia A.  His Wife  B. June 1, 1851       D. Oct. 7, 1930

JONES, Stella May
Dau of W. R. & N. I. Jones.
B. Jan. 4, 1894       D. July 17, 1894

SECTION I, ROW 10

Small white marble stone. Initials R.B.

Unusual marker with #9355 on back.

PIERCE, Dora Jane  B. May 25, 1899       D. Oct. 17, 1900
Dau of S. J. and Emma Pierce.
Illegible inscription ends with phrase “on earth to bloom in heaven.”
**** Daughter of Stephen J. and Emma G. Harvey Pierce.

PIERCE, Charles Alfred
Son of S. J. & Emma Pierce.  Gone to be an angel  B. March 30, 1891       D. March 19, 1900
**** Son of S. J. and Emma G. Harvey Pierce

Piece of concrete. No information.

Small white marble block. No information.

Lamb made of concrete. No information.

Small piece of stone broken off. Lamb. No information.

Small white piece of marble level with ground. E. E. W.

Small marble block. No information.

FITZGERRELL, Sarah Malissa  B. 1839       D. 1903
Wife of J. J. Fitzgerrell.
**** James J. Fitzgerrell. She was daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Whitlow of Kentucky.
Married July 1862 Children: Robert C. Mary C. (Goodner) Daniel G., Enterpe Chance, Elnora A. (Williams), Catherine M. (Jessup) lived in Richmond, Indiana

Born in Gifford Co., Indiana and died in Jefferson Co., Illinois.
Aged 43 y 8 m 4 d  Wife of James J. Fitzgerrell. Nee Martin.
She is gone from our sight
But our loss is her gain
And quiet she sleeps
Where the Savior has lain
**** Nee Martin. Separate stone from James.

+
FITZGERRELL, James J. B. Jan. 25, 1815 D. June 30, 1889
Born in Gibson Co., Indiana Died in Jefferson Co., Illinois Aged 74 ys. 5 ms. 5 d
Two line inscription illegible.

FITZGERRELL, John Stanton B. March 1, 1841 D. Aug. 11, 1863
Sacred to the Memory of
Father, I will that ___ also
Side: He was an affectionate son, a kind brother,
When ___ hast given me ___
With me when ___ they
May Behold My Glory
Nor pain, nor grief, nor anxious fear
Invade thy bounds.
No mortal wounds can reach
The peaceful sleeper here
While Angels watch his soft repose
**** Son of Patsey Ann and James J. Fitzgerrell.

FITZGERRELL, James J. B. (ca. 1857) D. Aug. 11, 1866
Aged 9 y 4 m 3 d Son of James J. and Patsey A. Fitzgerrell.
**** Four line inscription illegible.

FITZGERRELL, Esther M B. (ca. 1861) D. April 1, 1864
Dau of James J. & Patsey A. Fitzgerrell. 3 y 5 m 5 d
***** Six line inscription illegible.

FITZGERRELL, Andrew B. (ca. 1844) D. Sept. 10, 1847
Son of James J. & Patsey A. Fitzgerrell. Age 4 y 10 m
**** Four line inscription illegible.

FITZGERRELL, Bailey B. (ca. 1838) D. Oct. 13, 1840
Aged 2 yrs. 9 mo. Son of James J. & Patsey A. Fitzgerrell.
Four line inscription illegible.

FITZGERRELL, Patsey Ann B (ca. 1862) D. July 4, 1862
Aged 3 m 26 d Dau of James J. and Patsey A. Fitzgerrell.

ROLLIN, Mance B. June 19, 1886 D. March 30, 1937
**** Son: Samuel C.
+
ROLLIN, Sally B. Oct. 17, 1874 D. Feb. 26, 1962
ROLLIN, Samuel C. At Rest B. Sept 1, 1897 D. Jan 11, 1983
From this marriage eleven children were born.
Military marker says Samuel C. Roland. Sea 2 US Navy World War I
Sam married Rada Vaugh Jan. 18, 1923.
ROLLIN, Hazel M. Roland Thomas  B. Nov 29, 1925  D. Dec. 6, 1994  
**** Hands praying, two roses.

SECTION I, ROW 11

ROBERSON, Willis E  B. Sept. 19, 1931  D. (No date)  
**** Son of Everett and Eva May Taylor Roberson.

+ ROBERSON, Virginia B.  B. Oct. 21, 1936  D. (No date)

NEWBURY, Eva May  B. May 31, 1899  D. Feb. 16, 1961  
Mother of D. L. R.  

ROBERSON, Dwyght Lee  B. Dec. 11, 1920  D. July 22, 1922  
Son of Everett and Eva Roberson.  
**** Son of Everett and Eva Taylor Robertson

SNODGRASS, D. A.  B. (ca. 1840)  D. March 28, 1875  
Unreadable stone. No information.

Unmarked stone block. Letter H.

DURHAM, Elizabeth H.  B. 1847  D. 1881  
**** Nee Barrow. Taken from First 1000 Recorded Deaths in Franklin Co., Ill. No. 436  Book 1 page 38 recorded 29 Nov 1881. Elizabeth Durham female, married, farmer's wife, born in Macon Co., Tenn. Age 34 yrs (Thomas Durham to Elizabeth H. Barrow 7 Mar 1867). Died 22 Nov 1881 at Horse Prairie. Died of Typhoid Fever, 8 days duration. Buried Horse Prairie W.B. Church. Physician I. G. Gee, Winfield, Ill.

Aged 15 y 8 m 14 d  Son of James J. & Sarah M. Fitzgerrell.  
Four line inscription illegible.

Small plain marker. No information.

FITZGERRELL, Mary A.  B. 1843  D. 1922  
His Wife

+ FITZGERRELL, W. L.  B. (ca. 1844)  D. July 1, 1895  
Aged 55 y 10 m 13 d  
A precious one from us has gone  
A voice we loved is stilled  
A place is vacant in our home  
Which never can be filled.
God in His wisdom has recalled

The boon His love has given
And thought the body slumbers now
The soul is safe in heaven.


FITZGERRELL, Elzina
Aged 26 y 3 m 2 d Dau of W. L. & M. A. Fitzgerrell.
Zina thou art gone.
We feel thy loss.
Humbly would we bow low at the cross

FITZGERRELL, Infant
Aged 2 months, Infant daughter of J. H. & Della Fitzgerrell.
**** Baby of James H. and Della Winemiller Fitzgerrell. Sister of Wayne (Mildred Young), Josephene (Herbert Junkins), William.

MOORE, Mary E.
B. Dec. 6, 1870 D. Sept. 26, 1918
Marker, no information

SECTION I, ROW 12

COCKRUM, Atah F.
Wife of R. G. Cockrum.
**** Wife of Ralph Guerna Cockrum, son of Matthew Wesley and Sarah Gibson. Nee Buchanan. One daughter, Veda Bertha (Carl Hobson Stephens).

COCKRUM, Alvah E.
Aged 21 y 3 m 9 d Son of M. W. and R Cockrum.
**** Son of Matthew Wesley and Ruthie Greenwood. Never married. Two line inscription illegible

COCKRUM, Matthew W.
B. Jan. 29, 1838 D. Sept. 18, 1931
**** Matthew Wesley son of Matthew Wesley and Sarah Gibson. Brothers and sisters: Ann Eliza Cockrum (Josiah Willis), John Calloway Raburn Cockrum (Nancy Marshall), Mary B. Cockrum (never married), Henry Ayer Cockrum (Nancy J. Greenwood)(Hester Hill Greenwood), William David Cockrum (Pernicia Sulcer 1839-1924), James Jackson Cockrum (Elizabeth Margaret Wilson). Children: James Jackson Cockrum (Mary W. Black), boy, died young, Ella Nora/ Elnora Cockrum (Walter Sulcer), Martha Jane Cockrum (William Jones), Artamisse Cockrum (Charles Jones), Laura
Cockrum (Robert Sheriff), Mary A. Cockrum died young, Francis Marion Cockrum (Myrtle Grace Battts), Alva Cockrum, died age 21, never married, Monia Della Cockrum (Alva Stevenson).

+ COCKRUM, Ruthie  At Rest  His Wife  B. Dec. 25, 1842  D. July 2, 1909
**** Wife of Matthew Wesley Cockrum. Nee Greenwood.

Broken off marble stone. No information.

MITCHELL, Clyde  C.  Our Babe  B. (ca. 1873)  D. Sept. 2, 1873
Aged 2 m 5 d  Son of A. Q & E. A. Mitchell.
Inscription illegible

Dau of A. Q. & E. A. Mitchell.  Two line inscription illegible.

COCKRUM, Lorenzo J.  At Rest  B. Nov. 6, 1870  D. July 14, 1949
Aged 78 yrs. 8 mo. 8 days
**** Lorenzo Jackson son of James Jackson and Elizabeth Margaret Cockrum. Married first Elemy E. Reeves, 2nd Martha Ollie Barrett Hamilton, 3rd Julia Allen Sulcer. Brothers and sisters: William Eugene Cockrum (Nancy Coates), Rosetta Cockrum (Ransom Sherman Boswell), Sarah Harriet Cockrum (William Henry Stubbins), Matthew Frederick (Alice King-divorced), Edgar Erston Cockrum (Katie Luvenia Winthrope), Eleanor Bertha Pearl Cockrum (William Oscar Williams), Nancy Elizabeth Cockrum (Thomas Edgar Williams), James Earl Cockrum (Grace Rea).

+ COCKRUM, Elemy E.  His wife  B. Oct. 24, 1873  D. Feb. 22, 1920
Aged 46 yrs 3 mo 28 days
**** Elemy Ethel, daughter of James J. and Rebecca Reeves. 1880 census list the following in household: Louis B. Reeves, Mary Reeves, Livona Reeves, William M. Reeves, James M. Reeves, Silas Reeves, Sylvester Reeves (Della Scott), Parmelia Reeves, Elma/Elmey E. Reeves, Austin Reeves. First wife of Lorenzo Cockrum. Sister to Maurice Reeves. Children: Claude Jackson Cockrum (Ethel Sulcer), Stanton Cockrum (Augusta Boswell), Madge Cockrum (Hiley Thompson), Ilah Aline Cockrum (Stanton Jolley), Amos Cockrum (Amanda S. Mezo).

COCKRUM. Large family stone with no further information. Several Cockrums on next row.

Dau of C. J. & L. E. Cockrum
SECTION I, ROW 13

HUIE, Craig  Buried in Phoenix Arizona  B. 1888  D. 1928
**** Son of J. William "Bill" and Martha Catherine Moore Huie. Brothers and sisters: John R. (Reed), James Elza (Clara Hutson), Theodore, Mattie (Clifford Barfield), Meredith (Mary Jolley), Daisy (Ike Ramsey), Dewey (Edna Hamlin), Ellen (W. S. Hutson).

HUIE, Ruby  His Wife  B. 1889  D. 1978

Six stones clustered together

Small unmarked stone. Initials S. M. J.

Small unmarked stone.

Small unmarked stone with initials A. M. I.

Small unmarked stone with initials B. L. F.

Small unmarked stone with initials A. F.

Small unmarked stone with initials N. K.

GEE, Earl  B. (ca. 1879)  D. April 10, 1885
Aged 6 y 1 m 17 d  Son of J. C. & E. J.
Two line inscription illegible
**** Stone broken in half, leaning against base.

GEE, John S.  B. (ca. 1872)  D. Jan. 2, 1873
Aged 6 mo. 4 d  Son of J. C. & E. J. Gee

GEE, James W.  B. (ca. 1870)  D. Nov. 2, 1870
Son of I. G. & E. J. Age 10 days.
**** Children of Dr. Isaac Goodnight Gee and Eliza J. Fitzgerrell.

MARTIN, Jesse Kenneth  B. Sept. 26, 1922  D. June 24, 1989
Military marker. Tec 3 U.S. Army World War II.
**** Son of Jesse A. Martin and Jennie V. Quillman.

MARTIN, Jennie V.  B. 1900  D. 1978

+
MARTIN, Jesse A.  
B. 1897  
D. 1929  
**** Son of David Goodnight and Hattie Jane Kirkpatrick Martin. Children: Jesse Kenneth and Donald.

Cluster of four stones appear to go with big Cockrum stone nearby

COCKRUM, Claude J.  
In loving memory  
B. May 20, 1893  
D. Jan. 18, 1972  
**** Large Cockrum stone, with footstones. Claude Jackson, son of Lorenzo J. and Elmey Ethel Reeves Cockrum. Children: Howard M. (Mabel Lewis)(Theda Lewis), Opal M. (Eloise Baldwin. Killed in truck accident hauling peaches), Kenneth (Emma Louise "Jackie" Van Hoorebeck, Enecita (died 1 yr of age).

COCKRUM, Ethel  
In loving memory  
B. July 20, 1892  
D. Aug. 20, 1982  
**** Daughter of Walter and Elnora Cockrum Sulcer.

COCKRUM, Opal C.  
In loving memory  
B. Oct. 3, 1913  
D. Aug. 21, 1939  

COCKRUM, Enecita  
In loving memory  
B. Aug. 30, 1919  
D. Sept. 3, 1920  
**** Daughter of Claude and Ethel Sulcer Cockrum. Information on foot stone with large Cockrum stone nearby. Same information on old stone in Row 12.

McGINNIS, Joseph Harold  
B. April 17, 1890  
D. March 20, 1891  
**** Could be footstone from row up. Found stone lying on ground.

SECTION I, ROW 14

YUNG, Infant  
B. Jan. 24, 1916  
D. Feb. 8, 1916  
**** Son of Ellen McCollom and George Yung. Siblings: Chesta (Howard Clampet)(Dallas Murray), Victor (Vernetta Menzel)(Jerry Whitlow)(Helen Lipsey), Roy (Leota Allen).

YUNG, Myrtle A.  Wife of George Jung  
B. Feb. 2, 1885  
D. May 30, 1902  

A precious one from us has gone  
A voice we loved is stilled  
A place is absent in our home  
Which never can be filled

**** First wife of George Yung. Nee Chapman.

ZWOSKY, Frank Edward  
B. 1923  
D. 1923  

Unmarked marker. Perhaps the grave of Nelson or Mary.

Unmarked marker. Perhaps the grave of Nelson or Mary.
BAKER, Malendia E. B. Feb. 23, 1872 D. Sept. 27, 1933
**** Melinda Elizabeth, dau. of John S. and Martha Doughtery. Probably married Sulcer first.
+
BAKER, Thomas J. B. Aug. 23, 1866 D. Feb. 25, 1953
**** Thomas Jefferson Baker. Children: Walton (Elizabeth Mitchell), Lena (Frank Zwoisky), Nelson Baker (died as infant), Mary Baker (died as infant), Walter Baker (Nancy Mae Cockrum).

DOUGHERTY, Martha B. (ca. 1830) D. Dec. 8, 1889
Aged 59 y 7 m 27 d
Four line inscription illegible.
**** Mother of Malindia Doughtery.
+
DOUGHERTY, John S. B. (ca. 1834) D. April 15, 1903
Aged 69 y 1 m 21 d
A Father Dear From Us Has Gone. A Voice We Loved is Stilled.
A Place is Vacant in our Home That Never Can be Filled
**** Child: Melindia Elizabeth (Thomas Jefferson Baker)

LAW, C. C. B. Feb. 25, 1885 D. April 24, 1887
**** Son of M. C. & M. J. Law. M.C. Law buried below.

DILLON, Leanna Browning B. 1860 D. 1953

MARTIN, S. A. D. B. Feb. 25, 1860 D. March 11, 1883
**** Son of David and Mary Eliza Willis Martin. Stephen A. Douglas, shown as widower in 1880 census. Brother Henry McCann Martin.

MARTIN, James B. Dec. 5, 1847 D. Feb. 10, 1889
Four line inscription illegible.
**** Son of David and Mary (Polly) Eliza Willis Martin. Children: Goodnight Martin, John C, Martin (Della), Laura Martin, Roy Martin.
+
MARTIN, Augustine Gone to God B. June 19, 1849 D. Nov. 23, 1897

MARTIN, D. G. B. March 16, 1870 D. July 6, 1937
(died young), William Ellsworth Martin (died young), Towns Martin, Leslie Martin (Grace Spalding). Emblem Masonic. Richard Lee Sr., son of Jurel and Jerry Whitlow married Donna Gayle Breeding born 1947, also married Glenda Darlene Doudy

+ MARTIN, Hattie J. His Wife B. Jan. 11, 1876 D. June 14, 1912
**** Hattie Jane Kirkpatrick, daughter of John Foster and Margaret T. Moore Kirkpatrick. Married May 16, 1898.

Two brothers on one stone

MARTIN, Wm. Elsworth B. 1905 D. 1907
MARTIN, Jas. Eugene Brothers B. 1903 D. 1915
**** Son of David Goodnight and Hattie Jane Kirkpatrick Moore.

SECTION I, ROW 15

MOORE, Harold B. 1904 D. 1908
+ MOORE, Elmer B. 1906 D. 1907
Children of H. H. and E. L. Moore.
**** Children of Emma Mabus and Herman Moore. Nephews of Eva L. Mabus Sulcer.

SULCER, Eva L. B. 1881 D. 1967
**** Daughter of Michael Mabus and Eva A. Zachary. Sister to Ed Mabus, Lena Mabus (Gilbert), Emma Mabus (Herman Moore), Emma Mabus children are Pauline Moore (Harold Bateman), Grace Moore, Harold Moore, Sonny Moore
+ SULCER, Oscar G. B. 1880 D. 1943

SULCER, Joseph Roy B. 1904 D. 1906
Son of O. G. & E. L. Sulcer.
**** Son of Oscar G. and Eva L. Mabus Sulcer. Small lamb on top.

SULCER, J. A. B. 1852 D. (No date)
**** Joseph Allen Sulcer
+ SULCER, Lucinda J. His Wife B. 1859 D. 1917

Twins on one stone

SULCER, Infants B. Nov. 18, 1922 D. Nov. 18, 1922
Babies of Guy & Orlena Sulcer.
**** Twin babies of Guy and Orlena Boswell Sulcer.
KELLY, Infant  
Infant dau of N. T. and M. J. Kelly.

*He gathers the lambs in his bosom.*

**** Infant daughter of Nathan T. and Martha J. Sulcer Kelly.

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KELLY, Nathan T.  
At Rest  
B. 1868  
D. 1944


+  
KELLY, Martha J.  
At Rest  
B. 1870  
D. 1926

Wife of Nathan T. Kelly

**** Daughter of James N. Sulcer and Almeda E. Reynolds.

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SULCER, Almedia E.  
Mother  
B. Sept.14, 1852  
D. March 6, 1905

*A precious one from us has gone. A voice we loved is still.*  
*A place is vacant in our home, which we never can fill*

**** Nee Reynolds.

+  
SULCER, J. N.  
B. June 28, 1850  
D. June 8, 1916

**** James N. Sulcer. Children: Guy (Orlena Boswell), Stanton Evan, Ina (Harold Stephenson), Joseph (Arletta Norris, daughter of E. J. and Emma Gilbert Norris), James I. (died young), Samey Osey (died young). Amy (Henry Allen), 2 other sisters. May be buried together elsewhere.

SULCER, James L.  
B. (ca. 1882)  
D. Feb. 4, 1887

Aged 4 yrs. 9 mo. 1 day. Son of J. N. and A. E. Sulcer.

**** Son of James N. and Almedia E. Sulcer.

SULCER, Samey Osey  
B. July 3, 1885  
D. July 23, 1887

Son of J. N. & A. E. Sulcer.

**** Son of James N. and Almeda E. Sulcer.

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STEPHENSON, Jimmie  
B. 1914  
D. 1916

**** Son of Harold and Ina Sulcer Stephenson. Name on stone with parents.

STEPHENSON, Ina  
B. 1895  
D. 1978


+  
STEPHENSON, Harold  
B. 1893  
D. 1967


***** Probably son of Ruben A. and Nannie J. Lollar.

LOLLAR, Ella A. B. April 20, 1868 D. Nov. 26, 1893

Aged 25 y 7 m. 6 d  Dau of R. A & N. J. Lollar.

Five line inscription illegible


LOLLAR, Reuben A. B. March 12, 1835 D. Dec. 22, 1895

Aged 60 y 9 m 10 d

Six to eight line inscription illegible


LOLLAR, Nannie J. B. March 11, 1843 D. (No date)

Several line inscription illegible

***** Nee, Nancy J. Jones. Married July 2, 1865

SECTION I, ROW 16

LOWE, Raymond L. B. Oct. 10, 1897 D. Dec. 6, 1971


+ LOWE, Lillian B. June 16, 1897 D. 2000

***** Daughter of James Harvey and Nettie May Allen Cook. See below for brothers.

LOWE, Infant Dau of Raymond and Lillian Lowe.

ABERNATHY, James B. (No date) D. (No date)

Co. H 8th Iowa Cav.

***** Civil War military stone.


***** Wife of James Harvey Cook. Nee Allen. Children: Lyle Cook (Helen Brown), Charley (Olga Koenig, daughter of Andrew and Margaret Eubanks Koenig), Harvey Archibald Cook (Mable Kelley, daughter of Evan B. and Mary Irene Jumper Kelley), Harry E. Cook (Margaret Martin, daughter of Goodnight and Hattie Kirkpatrick Martin), Lillian Cook (Raymond Lowe), F. M. Paul (died as child).

+ COOK, James Harvey B. Nov. 14, 1860 D. Jan. 16, 1943

***** Son of Jasper and Mary J. Jones Cook. Brothers and sisters: Sarah J. Cook, William T. Cook, Nancy E. Cook, Arvesta (Ethel Taylor?)

COOK, F. M. Paul B. (ca. 1906) D. Jan. 8, 1908

Aged 1 y 2 m 28 d

***** Son of James Harvey and Nettie May Allen Cook.
SULCER, Nancy Ellen  B. Jan. 27, 1870  D. July 13, 1901
A precious one from us has gone.
A voice we loved is still.
A place is vacant in our home,
which we never can fill

SULCER, Sarah Jane  At Rest  B. 1869  D. 1921
Row continues in irregular line

EUBANKS, Sarah M.  B. 1864  D. 1911
Wife of C. H. Eubanks
**** Daughter of Samuel and Sidney King McFatridge.
+
EUBANKS, C. H.  B. 1864  D. 1950
**** Charles H. Eubanks, son of Eli and Elizabeth McDaniels Eubanks. Brother John Eubanks (Emma C. Wilderman, dau. of James and Elizabeth Hill Wilderman. John and Emma several children including Byford Eubanks, LaVern Eubanks, Arthur Byrant, whose children were Mildred Eubanks (Pacentine), Arthur Dale Eubanks who married Evelyn Williams born March 12, 1918 in Benton, died April 4, 1995 Route 3 Benton. Son George W. Eubanks (Myrtle Ing Mabry, daughter of James M. and Etta Bailey Ing. Mother of George Susan Stewart.

EUBANKS, Ned B.  B. (No date)  D. (No date)
Son of C. H. and S. M. Eubanks.
**** Son of Charles H. and Sarah M. McFatridge Eubanks.

KIRKPATRICK, Townson B.  B. June 7, 1878  D. April 25, 1899
Seven line inscription illegible.
**** Son of John Foster and Margaret T. Moore Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Mattie E.  B. (ca. 1896)  D. Aug. 12, 1900
Aged 4 y 3 m 4 d  Dau  of J. F. & M. T. Kirkpatrick.
**** Daughter of John Foster and Margaret T. Moore Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, John F.  B. Dec. 20, 1847  D. Oct. 28, 1921
**** John Foster Kirkpatrick, son William Thomas and Martha Greenwood Kirkpatrick (1812-1887). Siblings: Louisa Kirkpatrick (Charles W. Sanders), Francis Marion Kirkpatrick (Jincy Ann Estes), Sarah Elizabeth Kirkpatrick (Lemuel Clayton), Martha E. Kirkpatrick (James Meredith Huie)(Nathan E. Roberson), George Washington Kirkpatrick (Sarah Elizabeth Huie), Nancy Jane Kirkpatrick (Oscar Crank), Ruth Emeline Kirkpatrick (married Cyrus R. Abernathy Dec. 26, 1873 Franklin Co., Il Bk. B p. 151), William Tinsley Kirkpatrick (Prudence A. Huie) Children: Arvesta Kirkpatrick (died as baby), Mary Viola Kirkpatrick (Matthew Frank Cockrum), William Edmond Kirkpatrick (Dora H. Swisher)(Mary Illinois Whitlow), Hattie Jane Kirkpatrick (David G. Martin), Townson Kirkpatrick (died at ca. 21 yrs of age), Rose Ellen Kirkpatrick (John E. Bauman), James A. Kirkpatrick (Lillie Hutson), John Nelson Kirkpatrick (died as child), Mollie E./Mattie Kirkpatrick (died ca. 4 yrs of age), Gertrude Kirkpatrick (died ca. 3 yrs. of age), Rascoe Arthur Kirkpatrick (Lulu Johnston).
KIRKPATRICK, Margaret T.  His Wife  B. Oct. 10, 1846  D. April 11, 1909
Wife of John F. Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Margaret C.  B. March 17, 1921  D. Oct. 23, 1926
Dau of W. E. Kirkpatrick & M. I. Kirkpatrick.

Wife of W. E. Kirkpatrick

SECTION I, ROW 17

EUBANKS, Infant  B. (No date)  D. (No date)

EUBANKS, Ida A.  B. Sept. 20, 1869  D. Dec. 24, 1925
**** Nee Brown. May be a second wife. Mother of children.

EUBANKS, Andy J.  B. Jan. 15, 1849  D. Feb. 15, 1925

WALKER, Vernor W.  Our Boy  B. (ca. 1900)  D. Jan. 6, 1906
Aged 6 yrs. 6 mo. 5 days. Son of G. W. Walker and Sophia Walker.

COCKRUM, James J.  B. Jan. 16, 1840  D. April 18, 1921
COCKRUM, Elizabeth M.  *His Wife*  B. Dec. 6, 1847          D. May 3, 1929.

COCKRUM, William E.  *Father*  B. 1866          D. 1949

+ COCKRUM, Nancy C.  *Mother*  B. 1869          D. 1937

COCKRUM, Stanley  *Son*  B. 1894          D. 1898
**** Name on same stone with parents. Son of William Eugene and Nancy Coats Cockrum.

KIRKPATRICK, William E.  B. Jan. 22, 1874          D. Nov. 5, 1930
**** William Edmond, son of John Foster and Margaret T. Moore (daughter of James P. and Mary Day Moore) Kirkpatrick. See below for brothers and sisters.


KIRKPATRICK, Howard  D. Nov. 9, 1907          D. Aug. 5, 1909
Son of W E. and Dora H. Kirkpatrick.
**** Son of William Edmond and Dora Helen Swisher Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Guy E.  B. Feb. 17, 1901          D. April 26, 1901
Son of W. E. & Dora H. Kirkpatrick.
**** Son of William Edmond and Dora Helen Swisher Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Infant  B. Sept. 2, 1897          D. Sept. 28, 1897
Son of W E and Dora H. Kirkpatrick.
Four line inscription illegible.
**** Son of William Edmond and Dora Helen Swisher Kirkpatrick. Name appears to be Neal.

HUIE, Scott D.  B. (May 24, 1894)          D. Aug. 5, 1895
Äged 1 yr 2 mo 11 da  Son of J. W. Huie and M.C. Huie.
**** Son of James William and Martha Catherine Moore Huie.

HUIE, Martha C.  *His Wife*  B. 1860          D. 1924
**** Martha Catherine, daughter of William Day Moore and Nancy McFatridge, born Sept. 15, 1860 and died Nov. 9, 1924. Wife of James William Huie "Bill". Children: Dewey Huie (Edna Hamlin), James Elzie Huie (Clara Hutson), John Huie (Reed), Theodore Huie (Sarah
Davis)(Gertrude Dagley), Mattie Huie (Clifford P. Barfield), Daisy Huie (Ike Ramsey), Meredith Huie (Mary Jolley), Scott D. Huie (died as child), Craig Huie (Ruby Graham), Ellen Huie (W. Stanton Hutson).

HUIE, James W. At Rest B. 1862 D. 1944
**** James William Huie "Bill" was born May 1, 1862 and died June 27, 1944. Married (Francis Campbell, died 1939, age 80, burial Phillips Cemetery) third, Malinda Cook Webb.

SECTION I, ROW 18

Daughter of E & G A Boswell.

BOSWELL, James Clarence B. April 13, 1894 D. Feb.7, 1974
**** Son of Ransom Sherman and Rosetta Cockrum. A brother Ralph.

 Married September 30, 1915

BOSWELL, Marvin At Rest B. Oct. 1, 1921 D. Aug. 6, 1923
Son of J C & Selma Boswell
**** Son of James Clarence and Selma Theresea Campbell Boswell.

BOSWELL, Marvin At Rest B. April 17, 1907 D. April 28, 1907
Infant son of R. S & R. E. Boswell
**** Son of Ransom S. and Rosa/Rosetta E. Cockrum Boswell. No given name.

BOSWELL, R. S. B. Sept. 20, 1864 D. July 26, 1920

BOSWELL, Rosetta His Wife B. July 30, 1868 D. April 2, 1959
Gone but not Forgotten
**** Daughter of James Jackson and Elizabeth Margaret Wilson Cockrum. Brothers and sisters: William Eugene Cockrum (Nancy Coats, daughter of Denton and Catherine Pierce Coats), Lorenzo Jackson Cockrum (Elemy Ethel Reeves)(Martha Olive Barnett Hamilton), (Julia Allen Sulcer), Sarah Harriett Cockrum (William Henry Stubbins), Matthew Frederick Cockrum (Alice King, Divorced), Edgar Erston Cockrum (Katie Luvenia Winthrop), Eleanor Bertha Pearl Cockrum (William Oscar Williams), Nancy Elizabeth Cockrum (Thomas Edgar Williams), James Earl Cockrum (Grace Rea).
STUBBINS, Marion W. B. 1930 D. 1932
Son of J. J. and B. B. Stubbins.
**** Son of Joseph Jackson and Beulah Kirkpatrick Stubbins.

Age 2 yrs. 1 day. Son of W. H. & Hattie Stubbins.
**** Son of William Henry and Sarah Harriet Cockrum Stubbins.

STUBBINS, Hattie Cockrum  Mother  B. 1873 D. 1945
**** Daughter of James Jackson and Elizabeth Margaret Wilson. Sarah Harriet Cockrum

born Jan. 27, 1873 and died June 12, 1945. Brothers and sisters (see above).

Unmarked stone. Could be lot marker.

Unmarked stone. Broken off. No inscription.

Unmarked stone. Broken off. No inscription.

KIRKPATRICK, Ida May  Our Darling  B. Sept.15, 1910 D. Oct. 17, 1911
Dau of C. H. and N. M. Kirkpatrick.
**** Daughter of Carrol and Nellie Winn Kirkpatrick. Brothers: George Hosea Kirkpatrick (Nora Mae Cutty), Henry Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Fannie Ethel  B. Oct. 27, 1885 D. Feb. 15, 1905
Wife of C. H. Kirkpatrick

**** Fannie Ethel daughter of Fannie Ethel Winn and Carrol H. Kirkpatrick.

Small marker, no inscription

MARTIN, Henry C. B. 1854 D. 1896
son Gary Martin, one grandson Keith Martin, brothers, Cecil Martin, Faral Martin and one sister Lucille Martin.

+ MARTIN, Sarah E. B. 1859 D. 1949
**** Nee Walker.

MARTIN, Earnest O. B. 1892 D. 1912
**** Son of Henry Colombus and Sarah E. Walker Martin.

LAW, M. C. B. Nov. 10, 1856 D. Oct. 4, 1898

CROUCH, O. D. B. Sept. 6, 1859 D. May 5, 1913
**** Oasis Denton Crouch, son of Jesse Crouch, (whose parents were James W and Margaret J. McDonald Crouch) and Ruth Ward. Grandparents John and Lucinda Junkins Crouch and Wm. and Mary Ann Willerson McDonald). Father of Jess Crouch (Nancy A. Forrest), Ed Crouch (Gertrude Cockrum). Oasis Denton born Sept. 6, 1859 age 40 years, married 17 years. He was born in Ill., father born in South Carolina and mother in Virginia. Married Rachel McFatridge born in June 1862, age 37, married 17 years, born in Ill., father in Kentucky and mother in Illinois. Son Jesse born Aug. 1883, age 16; son Edward born Dec. 1885, age 14. (Taken from 1900 census of Goode Township. (FCMR) James W. Crouch age 25 1st marriage born in Jefferson Co., Son of John Crouch and Lucinda Junkins, married Jan. 1, 1878, Margaret J. McDonald age 26, 1st marriage, born in Jefferson Co., Ill. Daughter of Wm. McDonald and Mary Ann Wilkerson.

+ CROUCH, Rachel E. B. 1862 D. 1957
Daughter of Samuel and Synda/Sidney J. King McFatridge. Siblings: George McFatridge, John W. McFatridge (Virginia Kelley Reid, daughter of C. J. and Pauline Haynes Reid), Louisa McFatridge, Sarah McFatridge (Dr. C. H. Eubanks, son of Eli and Elizabeth McDaniels Eubanks) she was born June 2, 1862. Married first Oasis Denton Crouch. 2nd married W. R. Browning.

SECTION I, ROW 19

Three clustered stones. These appear to be siblings:

Home made marker with lamb, no information.

Home made marker with lamb, no information.

Home made marker with lamb, no information

WALKER, Safronia N. Mother B. May 31, 1875 D. Aug. 24, 1928

+ WALKER, Austin W. Father B. May 31, 1875 D. Jan. 1, 1957
**** Austin Winfred Walker, son of Cynthia Snodgrass and John Walker. Children: Earl Walker (died at 3 yrs of age), Infant (no name), Berniece Walker (Emza Smith), Lena Walker (Burtis McBride), Lola Walker (Clarence Kirkpatrick), Elva Walker (Alonzo Bishop), Thelma Walker

**BOSWELL, Theonia F.** Daughter  
B. 1936  
D. 1936  

**BOSWELL, Thelma**  
B. 1912  
D. (No date)  
**** Daughter of Austin Winfred and Safronia Nancy Kelley Walker. (See above for siblings).

**BOSWELL, Warren**  
B. 1914  
D. 1963  

**SECTION I, ROW 20**

**KIRKPATRICK, Alva M.**  
B. 1869  
D. 1910  
*Gone but not forgotten*  

Sand rock with fine broken colored glass glued on it.

**KIRKPATRICK, Arlie Glen**  
B. (ca. 1895)  
D. Dec. 22, 1897  
Age 2 yrs. 1 mo. 2 days. Son of W. C. & M. J. Kirkpatrick.  
**** Son of William Cumpton and Minerva Jane Martin (daughter of Lafayette Martin) Kirkpatrick.

**JONES, Roxie Ann**  
B. Feb. 13, 1871  
D. June 10, 1961  

+ **JONES, James Monroe**  
B. Nov. 19, 1856  
D. March 8, 1907  
Married May 16, 1891.  
**** Son of Jonathan & Margaret R. Jones. Married first, Feby Elizabeth Jones, daughter of James Calvin and Sarah Elizabeth McGlasson Jones. One daughter from this marriage, Bertha Elizabeth, died Nov. 3, 1899, aged 18 yrs. 7 mo. 24 days. Buried in Old Union Cemetery in Elk Prairie in Jefferson County, Ill.

Broken stone. No information.

**JONES, James D.**  
B. (ca. 1833)  
D. Dec.13, 1898  
Age 65 Yrs. 11 mo. 28 days.  
Two line inscription illegible.  
**** Probably the son of James Monroe and Feby Elizabeth Jones.
FORD, Clara  Wife of E. J. Ford  B. March 5, 1880  D. Nov. 11, 1902
Soon shall we meet again. Soon shall peace surround us forever.
Soon shall we greet you
Meet ne’er to sever
Soon shall peace
Surround us forever.

MEADOWS, Tempa  In Memory  B. (ca. 1828)  D. Feb. 6, 1898
Age 70 years. Erected by her sister Julia. Bible on top.

McCOLLOM, Mary E.  B. (ca. 1849)  D. April 14, 1906
Age 57 y 8 m 8 d  Wife of J M  McCollom.
**** Nee Moore. Children: Ellen McCollom(George Yung), Margaret "Maggie" McCollom (Alonzo/Lon Hammonds), James McCollom (Gertie Unknown), John McCollom (Bell Spoon, a daughter Vertice died Dec. 31, 1968 in Indiana. She was born Jan. 14, 1903 in Franklin Co., Ill. She married Lloyd Emmerson who died April 1968. Survived by son Jim Winters and 3 grandchildren. Burial in Griffin, Indiana), Will McCollom (twin to John)(Emma Lindsay), Sisters: Cynthia Ellen Moore (Nathan Warden Eishleman)(John Murphy), Nancy Moore (John Murphy), Martha Catherine Moore (William Huie).

+ MCCOLLOM, Joseph M.  B. (ca. 1847)  D. April 13, 1938
Aged 91 y 5 m 19 d
**** Came to this area when 17 yrs. old with Coates family on horseback. Source: Chesta Yung Clampet Murry

LOMAN, Arthur  B. 1879  D. (No date)
**** 1st marriage Lillie Hodge, 2nd. Berthe Unknown; Brothers: Benjamin Clark Loman (Cassie Sweeten), James Harrison Loman (Iva Bradley), Homer Loman (Lela A. Glasco). Sister; Nettie Loman (Unknown Reynolds).

+ LOMAN, Lilly  His Wife  B. 1886  D. 1922
**** Children, Fern Loman (Wayne Lance), Myrtle Loman (Willard Day), Robert Lee Loman (Geneva Reynolds), Artie Loman (?), Lloyd (Unknown Rea) Leota Loman (Unknown Roberts).

LOMAN, Lilly L.  B. (No date)  D. (No date)
**** Could be same stone or a child. Small marker recessed in earth.

ROBERTS, William E.  B. Nov. 7, 1924  D. June 6, 1928

SECTION I, ROW 21

**** Presumed to be daughter of John F. and Malissa Stevinson Isom.

**** Presumed to be son of John F. and Malissa Stevinson Isom.
ISOM, Pearl L. B. Jan. 25, 1907 D. Mar. 24, 1907
**** Presumed to be daughter of John F. and Malissa Stevison Isom.

ISOM, Malissa B. Feb. 11, 1874 D. Mar. 12, 1922
**** Daughter of Richard Ebinezer and Martha A. Turner Steveison. Brothers and sisters, Alva Stevison (Della Cockrum), Mishey Stevison (George Hutson), Willie Stevison, Mary Jane Stevison (William Forrest), Sarah Stevison (Frank Dame), Emma Stevison (William Calvin Gulley)(Ira Albert Kirkpatrick), Nettie Stevison (never married), John Franklin Stevison (Mary Silkwood).

ISOM, John F. B. Nov. 29, 1869 D. Sept. 24, 1960

ISOM, Benjamin H. B. Nov. 6, 1888 D. Jul. 4, 1962
**** Son of Jasper Paul and Adeline Fore Isom. Killed by auto on main street in Sesser, Illinois

ISOM, M. G. B. Jul. 16, 1877 D. Jun.16, 1909

ISOM, Ida B. Dec. 18, 1873 D. May 31, 1905
**** His Wife
Our Loved Ones

Daughter of J. P. & A. A. Isom

Asleep in Jesus Blessed Thought
**** Daughter of Jasper P. and Adline Fore Isom.

ISOM, Adline B. May 24, 1850 D. Apr. 14, 1932
**** His Wife
Nee Fore.

At Rest
Masonic emblem.
**** Jasper P. Isom. Sons James Daniel Isom (Mable Graham), Mack Isom (Ida Unknown), John F. Isom (Malissa Stevison), Ben Isom. Sisters; Agnes Isom (John R.Dennis), Annie Jane Isom (John W. Sheriff), Allie Isom (Ed Blythe), Arizona Isom, Oaka Lona Isom (William Shingleton).

MOORE, Leon D. B. Apr. 7, 1906 D. Feb. 27, 1925
Son of J. E. & Cora B. Moore.
****Brother of Max Moore. Son of James E. & Cora Bell Davis Moore.

KIRKPATRICK, Cora Bell B. Jan. 22, 1875 D. Jun. 21, 1944

MOORE, J. E. B. (ca. 1875) D. Mar. 17, 1907
Aged 31 y 11 m 23 d

COCRUM, Grace E.  At Rest
B. 1894 D. 1917

COCRUM, Frank  At Rest
B. Oct. 29, 1866 D. Oct. 19, 1932
**** Matthew Franklin Cockrum, son of Henry Ayer & Hester Hill Greenwood Cockrum. Children by 1st Marriage, Maude Hester Cockrum (Hosea Lewis), Louis Edwin Cockrum (Rella Lewis), Clarence Edgar Cockrum (died young), William Henry Cockrum (died young), Grace E. Cockrum (died young), Ernest Elmer Cockrum (Alta May Quillman), Albert "Bert" Morgan Cockrum (Viva Mildred Harrison), Mable Ellen Cockrum (died young). Children by 2nd marriage, Margaret Ethel Cockrum (Arlie Element Galloway)(Neil Newcomb), John Franklin Lester Cockrum 1902-1959 (Leola May Dare, divorced), Ruth Elizabeth Cockrum (Harold Ernest Payne), Wayne Kirkpatrick Cockrum (Martha Roberta Sample), Stanley Ayer Cockrum (Maude Harrison)(Verna Harrison, widow of Archie Roberts), Clara Helen Cockrum (William Samples). Brothers & Sisters: Eliza Ellen Cockrum (George E. Smith), Sylvester Cockrum, Missouri Elizabeth Cockrum (Hosea Proverit), Nancy L.Cockrum (died as a baby), Charles Elmer Cockrum (Amanda Ward).

+ COCHRUM, Mary Viola  His Wife
B. Jan. 31, 1873 D. May 14, 1919
**** Mary Viola Kirkpatrick daughter of John Foster Kirkpatrick & Margaret T. Moore, 2nd wife of Matthew Frank Cockrum. Brothers & Sister: See Section I, Row 16.

++ COCHRUM, Carrie May
B. May 9, 1866 D. Jan. 4, 1902
Wife of M. F. Cockrum., Aged 35 y 7 m 26 d
As a wife devoted, As A Mother Affectionately, As a friend ever kind and true
**** 1st wife of Matthew F. Cockrum, daughter of William J. and Nancy A. Kelley Eshleman.

COCRUM, Mabel E.  At Rest
B. 1901 D. 1916

ESHLEMAN, N W
B. (ca. 1873) D Aug 24, 1902
Aged 29 yrs. 3 mos. 4 days
Lengthy inscription illegible.

+ MURPHY, Cynthia Ellen
B. Nov. 18, 1867 D. Feb. 1, 1940
Several line inscription illegible.
**** Cynthia Ellen Moore, 1st Married Nathan Warden Eshleman, 2nd John Murphy, husband of her sister Nancy. Sisters & Brothers: Mary Elizabeth Moore (Joseph McCollum), Martha Catherine Moore (James William Huie), Nancy Moore (John Murphy) Cynthia had no children.

COCRUM, Lewis Glenn
B. Nov. 25, 1917 D. Sept. 29, 1926
Son of L E & Rella Cockrum
**** Son of Louie & Rella Lewis Cockrum. Small lamb on stone.

** COCKRUM, Rella **
B. 1895 D. 1987

+ ** COCKRUM, Louie **
B. 1892 D. 1961
**** Son of Matthew Franklin and Carrie Mae Eshelman Cockrum. Children: Elen Edwin Cockrum (Margaret L. Sneeden) Lewis Glenn Cockrum (see above), Madge L. Cockrum (Clark H. Leesman), Grace N. Cockrum (George E. Book).

** ROBINSON, Edgar E. **
B. June 17, 1912 D. Nov. 6, 1992
**** A metal marker which is no longer readable. Not visible in 2002.

** BATES, Zella M. Boswell **
B. Oct. 9, 1933 D. (No date)
+ ** BATES, Elmer Lee **
In God I Trust
B. Nov. 20, 1931 D. (No date)
Son of Edmond and Sibyl

SECTION I, ROW 22

** VAUGHN, Pearl **

+ ** VAUGHN, Clyde **
B. Mar. 1, 1885 D. Jan. 31, 1945

** VAUGHN, Clyde **
B. Feb. 9, 1925 D. Sept. 10, 1947
Military Marker: Illinois S1C U.S.N.R. World War II
**** Military Marker as headstone. Son of Clyde Vaughn & Pearl Spann Vaughn. Born near Sesser and died in DuQuoin Hospital after accidentally shooting himself. Went to live on farm near DuQuoin when 11 years old.

** SMITH, Waunetta F. **
B. Dec. 8, 1906 D. Aug. 24, 1907
Dau of G B Smith & W L Smith.

** IRVIN, Infant **
B. Sept. 21, 1907 D. Sept. 21, 1907
Son of Dr. C. H. & M. Gertrude Irvin.
**** Son of Dr. C. H. and Mary Gertrude Lionberger Irvin, who he married Dec. 19, 1906 in Mt Vernon. Moved to Sesser 1907 and left in 1927. Brother-in-law to Dr. H. P. Morgan. Daughter of C.

DERINGTON, Cordelia A. B. Oct. 20, 1859 D. Jan. 27, 1909
Wife of E. L. Derington.

Gone but not forgotten
**** Wife of Edgar Derrington. Children; Cora Derrington, Nellie Derrington, Edna Derrington.

FOSTER, Mattie B. July 31, 1897 D. Dec. 1, 1908
**** Daughter of Charley and Tina Mae Kirkpatrick Foster. Tina (she is buried in Maple Hill, Sesser, Ill.), daughter of Francis Marion and Jincy Ann Estes Kirkpatrick.

CAMPBELL, Eliza M. B. 1868 D. 1956

+ CAMPBELL, Stephen E. B. 1869 D. 1929
****Stephen Emmett Campbell, son of David F. and Mary L. Campbell was born February 14, 1869 and died January 14, 1929 at home of daughter, Mrs. Ila Lance in Sesser, Illinois. Born on farm near Ashley and moved to Blissville Twp., Jefferson County, Illinois. Sept 24 1893 married Eliza M. Rosenberger. Eight children were born. Survived by brother, Charlie Campbell of DuQuoin, sisters; Mrs. Julian Eater of Tamaroa, Mrs. Hattie Howard of Detroit, Michigan.

ROGERS, Alva N. B. 1863 D. 1939
****Born Feb. 20, 1863, died April 19, 1939.

ROGERS, Adline I. His Wife At Rest B. 1867 D. 1934
****Adline Irene Cockrum dau. of Stephen Perry Cockrum & Sara Jane Lance. Born Jan. 5, 1867 Died. May 20, 1934. Siblings: Mary Jane Cockrum (Henry Leibner), John Quincy Cockrum (Sophia Unknown), Louise Abagail Cockrum (James Barnett Clinton), Henry E. Cockrum (Anna Allen), Stephen Franklin Cockrum (Mary Stephenson), Sara Alma Cockrum (Williamson), Carrie B. Cockrum (S. M. Settle), Ester E. Cockrum (George Smith) (Unknown Lucas), Arthur B. Cockrum (Louise Unknown), Edna Cockrum (John Monday). Children: Bertha Rogers (Harle Martin), Omer Rogers (Parzetta Arterberry), Coy E. Rogers (Bertha Kirkpatrick), Kirby Rogers (Golda Asberry), Mabel Uturpe Rogers (Eric Eriscon), Essa E. Rogers (died young), Gracie E. Rogers (died young).

ROGERS, Essa E. B. Mar. 6, 1894 D. Feb. 19, 1911
Dau of A. N. & A. I. Rogers
****daughter of Alva N. & Adline Irene Cockrum Rogers.

ROGERS, Gracie E. B. Mar. 13, 1890 D. Oct. 14, 1908
AGED 18 yrs. 7 mos. 1 day Dau of A N & A I Rogers
**Mother of Russell Rogers. Daughter of Alva N. & Adline Irene Cockrum Rogers.**

**MARTIN**, Infant  
B. Jul. 27, 1909  
D. Jul. 28, 1909  
Son of F. D. & Nola Martin.  
**** Son of Fred Dolton and Nola Stripling Martin. Cockrum book says there were four infants, Dale, Charles, Madeline, still born child. Victims of Huntington Chorea disease. No markers found for 3 of them. This disease does not show up until later in life. Believe Fred had second marriage.

**JOHNSTON**, Mary E.  
B. Mar. 21, 1913  
D. 28 Oct. 1996  

+ **JOHNSTON**, John W.  
B. May 15, 1915  
D. May 15, 1995  
Military footstone: Sgt. U.S. Army Air Corps. World War II  

**SECTION I, ROW 23**

**JOHNSTON**, Zelma A.  
B. June 23, 1888  
D. July 25, 1976  
**** Daughter of Thomas Wiley and Eliza A. Cockrum Vaughn.

+ **JOHNSTON**, James T.  
B. Aug. 24, 1882  
D. July 14, 1943  

**VAUGHN**, T. W.  
B. Feb. 3, 1857  
D. Nov. 15, 1916  
**** Thomas Wiley Vaughn, son of Thomas M. and Elizabeth Jones Vaughn, married Feb. 8, 1855.

+ **VAUGHN**, Eliza A.  
B. March 29, 1859  
D. Oct. 19, 1938  
**** Daughter of John Calloway Raburn and Nancy Marshall Cockrum. Children: Raburn Vaughn (Ruby Carpenter), Clyde Vaughn (Pearl Spann), Zelma Vaughn (James T. Johnston). Sisters; Mary Jane Cockrum (William Branston Bilbrey), Sarah Cockrum (Greene Stewart), Minnie Cockrum (George Tackett), Martha Cockrum (died Young), Brothers; William Matthew Cockrum (Melissa Kirkpatrick), James Henry Cockrum (Laura Provert).

**Two children on one stone**

**JOHNSTON**, Ruby  
B. April 7, 1910  
D. July 3, 1914  
Children of J. T. & Z. A. Johnston.

Row continues off line

COCKRUM, John W. B. Feb.13, 1864 D. June 27, 1909
**** John Wesley Cockrum, son of Henry Ayers and Nancy J. Greenwood Cockrum. Children: Harl Austin Cockrum (Clara Stanfield), Dyer Edward Cockrum (Dessie Hutson)(Clara Esther Patrick), Mary Olive "May" Cockrum (Garland McBride), Ralph Jeffers Cockrum (Mable Inez Horner). Brothers and sisters: Sarah Ann Cockrum (Dr. Benjamin Franklin Wayman), Mary E. Cockrum (Dr. Harvey Al Patterson), William J. Cockrum (died young).
+
COCKRUM, Sarah L. His Wife B. Sept. 23, 1868 D. June 24, 1942

**** Wife of William Taylor.

CAMPBELL, David S. B. 1929 D. 1959

CAMPBELL, J. E. B. 1927 D. 1929
Son of E. S. & L. M.
**** Son of Emil S. & Leota M. Whittington Campbell

CAMPBELL, Leota M. B. 1909 D. 1978
Eastern Star emblem.
+
CAMPBELL, Emil S. B. 1905 D. 1992
Masonic emblem.
**** Son of Stephen Emmett and Eliza Melinda Rosenberger (daughter of Victor J. and Mary J. Robinson Rosenerger) Campbell. See below for siblings.
Broken stone, no information

**ROGERS**, Effie Ola

B. July 30, 1905 D. June 4, 1964

**** A daughter of Everett Orlando Lewis and Ida Ann Denfip.

+ **ROGERS**, Russell E.

B. Oct. 13, 1908 D. June 29, 1986

Married June 15, 1929.


**ROGERS**, Buddy E.


+ **ROGERS**, Carolyn S.

B. Oct 30, 1935 D. (No date)

Married July 1, 1955

**SECTION I, ROW 24**

**BERST**, Phillip Samuel

B. Nov. 24, 1945 D. Jan. 6, 1958

**** Son of Earl Phillip and Ruth Ella Rowland Berst.

**BERST**, Jerry Allen Baby

B. Dec. 17, 1956 D. Dec. 17, 1956

Son of Earl Phillip & Ruth Ella.

**** Son of Earl Phillip & Ruth Ella Rowland Berst

**BERST**, Donald Dean


**** Son of Earl Phillip and Ruth Ella Rowland Berst.

**BERST**, Delores June

B. Oct. 3, 1944 D. Oct. 4, 1944

**** Daughter of Earl Phillips and Ruth Ella Rowland Berst.

**VAUGHN**, Rebecca J.

B. 1871 D. 1955

Age 84 yrs.


**VAUGHN**, Thomas M.

B. 1833 D. 1914

Age 81 yrs.

SECTION I, ROW 25

TAYLOR, Eliza
B. Sept. 7, 1854          D. April 10, 1937

TAYLOR, J. M.
B. Feb. 16, 1845          D. March 16, 1928
**** Two stones. Joseph M., son of Benjamin and Eliza Bruner Taylor. Children: Jesse Taylor (Isham Farris), Ethel Taylor (Vesta Cook?), Josie Taylor (Greenberry Hill), Guy Taylor. Son of Josie Taylor and Greenberry Hill is Clifford Hill (Edna Banister). Daughters, Florence (Phillip Greenwood), Mary Ethel (Ovid Massey) divorced.

Broken stone, no information

CRAIN, Ruby
B. (ca. 1904)          D. Jan.11, 1910
Age 6 y  1 m  15 d

CRAIN, Johnnie
B. (ca. 1909)          D. Aug. 15, 1909
Age 3 m  17 d
**** Two children of Ransom Crain and Cora Kirkpatrick Crain. Ransom Crain son of Francis Marion Crain and Unknown Reece, only child. Half brother to Clyde Crain (Demonia Dycus), John Crain (died young) Wilford Crain (died World War 1), and Orville (mother Mary Louisa Hartley. South side of stone not readable, believed to be another child.

DAVIS, Isabell
B. Jun. 13, 1854          D. Jan. 13, 1933

+
DAVIS, Andrew J. B. Jan. 31, 1844 D. Dec. 18, 1919  


SHINGLETON, Etta Mae B. May 12, 1915 D. Oct. 25, 1918  
Dau. Of Wm. & O. L. Shingleton  
Sweet little flowers that budded on earth to bloom in heaven.  

SHINGLETON, Oaka Lona B. May 21, 1875 D. Nov. 1, 1918  
Wife of Wm. Shingleton  
Our dear mother has gone from us to heaven  

THOMPSON, Fay B. 1918 D. 1918  
Infant dau. of J. D. and L. F. Thompson.  
***** Daughter of John David and Leva Fay Martin Thompson.

SECTION I, ROW 26

Small marker, no inscription

MARTIN, Frank Willis B. Oct. 22, 1887 D. March 12, 1970  
***** Military marker only. Son of John David and Mary Elizabeth Willis Martin. Never married.

THOMPSON, Frances M. B. Mar. 7, 1907 D. Jan. 28, 1910  
***** Daughter of C. D. and Florence Martin Thompson (Florence was daughter of John David and Mary Elizabeth Willis Martin). Married second George C. Ligon, no issue.

MARTIN, John D. B. Dec. 8, 1855 D. Aug. 5, 1910  
***** John David Martin, son of David and Mary "Polly" unknown Martin.

+ MARTIN, Mary E His Wife B. Jan. 1, 1858 D. July 30, 1928  
***** Married Feb. 20, 1877 John David Martin. Daughter of Josiah and Ann Eliza Cockrum Willis. Children: Florence Martin (C.B. Thompson)(George C. Ligon), Fred Dolton Martin (Nola Stripling)(Unknown), Gertrude Martin (Jarvis Pearce), Frank Willis Martin (never married), Charles Martin (Flora Jane Bussey), Mary Malissa Martin (Ernest Crowe Pate), John Stanley Martin (Lillian Bateman). Siblings: James Henry Willis (Martha Hicks), Matthew E. Willis (died as infant), John H. Willis (Mahala J. Smith), Francis "Frank" Marion Willis (Mary "Molly" Graham), William A. Willis (Rachel Hawkins)(Mary E. Hartley Kirkpatrick), Sarah Willis (James Shield Wyatt), Martha Emilia Willis (Dr. Andrew Jackson Fitzgerrell), Malissa Willis (John Shanks), Sherman Willis (Vianner Wingo)(Laurie Bradley. Laura married 1st Harvey McBride, 2nd Buchanan Hammond).
LIGON, Florence                B. 1878              D. 1963
****  Daughter of John David and Mary Elizabeth Willis Martin. Child by first marriage, C. B.
+
LIGON, G. C.                  B. 1868              D. 1954

WALKER, Verl Byron            B. 1913              D. 1920
****  No information. Carved lamb on stone.

SECTION I, ROW 27

MOORE, Bettie E.              B. May 2, 1862       D. Aug.2, 1918
****  Margaret Elizabeth, daughter of John Bunyan and Rachel Hammond Lewis, married George
Washington Moore, son of Green B. and Denton Moore, March 18, 1883. His second marriage.
Bettie's siblings: Sophronia Lewis (Sanford Teffertiller), Louisa Lewis (married Ben Turner Feb.
10, 1867), Amanda Lewis (married Littalton S. Brayfield Oct. 7, 1869), Malinda Lewis (married
Killbrew B. Bates April 14, 1872), Cassabianca "Cassie" Lewis (married Martha Cook Sept. 19,
1878)(Ellen Maddox Browning), Sanford Lewis (died in infancy), Edward Lfandsie Lewis (Ada Jane
Kirkpatrick), John Sherman (Margaret "Tennie" Kirkpatrick)(Lurena Boswell Hartley), George A.
Lewis (never married). Albert Jackson Lewis was half brother and married Margaret A. Hodge,
dughter of Patterson  Hodge and Unknown Thompson May 9, 1891. was also married to Julia A.
Williams. His mother was Melvina Sandusky. Children of Bettie E. are Maude Velma Moore (Henry
R. Jones), George Earl Moore (Delsie Edwards)(Dessie Leffler), Edna R. Moore (Thurlow Girard
Lewis), Euridsy Ethel Moore (Mora Laxton), Lewis Stanley Moore (died young), Ollie Lillian
Moore (Russell Miller), Margaret Moore (Herman Eubanks). Nancy Moore (Riley Jones, whose son
Arthur Jones married Ruby Jones. He died from swimming accident and she married Elmer Fulton.
A daughter Lela Jones married Troy Lager)  George Washington buried with first wife Margaret
Kirkpatrick.
+
MOORE, Lewis Stanley           B. May 1, 1898       D. Sept. 4, 1916
Son of G. W. & M. E. Moore.
****  Son of George Washington and Margaret Elizabeth Lewis Moore. Died in Anna Hospital age
18 years, 4 months and 3 days. Mourned by 6 sisters, 1 brother. Funeral preached by John Maulding.
Obituary on file.

MOORE Babies of Earl and Delsie  B. 1909              D. 1910
****  Apparently twins. Children of George Earl Moore and Delsie Edwards. Earl son of George
and Margaret Elizabeth Lewis Moore.

MOORE, Billie G.              B. 1925              D. 1994
****  Billie G. Moore born Jan.19, 1925 in Benton to Earl and Dessie Leffler. Died Sept. 24, 1994 in
San Antonio Hospital. Funeral service at Quemado, Texas. Survivors, son David and wife Diane of
Pittsburg, California; Three Grandchildren and one great grandchild. One brother Lewis Moore and
wife Faye of Quemado, Texas and brother George Moore and wife Helen of Benton, Ill. and brother
Bob Moore and wife Joann of Punta Gorda, Fl. Sister Marie Moore and husband of Grants Pass,
SECTION I, ROW 28

Twin children on one stone

**** Daughter of Agnes Magill and Bradley Sylvester Jolley.

JOLLEY, Wilburn  B. June 9, 1910  D. July 15, 1910
**** Son of Agnes Magill and Bradley Sylvester Jolley.

JOLLEY, Mary E. Woodall  B. Sept. 8, 1884  D. Jan. 27, 1963

JOLLEY, Bradley S.  B. Aug. 12, 1871  D. Aug. 7, 1969

JOLLEY, John A.  B. May 17, 1841  D. Feb. 10, 1912
**** Father of Bradley Selvester Jolley.

JOLLEY, Priscilla J.  His Wife  B. April 25, 1847  D. June 26, 1936
**** Nee Bellamy. Mother of Bradley Selvester Jolley.

Some distance down, a piece of concrete, a marker with no information.

SECTION I, ROW 29

STOOPS  B. July 14, 1911  D. July 14, 1911
Infant Dau. of J. A. and Clara Stoops.

STOOPS  B. Sept. 11, 1910  D. Sept. 11, 1910
Infant Dau. of J. A. & Clara Stoops.

Three stones on one cement base

STUBBLEFIELD, Carl Joseph  B. 1915  D. 1915
**** Son of James Willis and Rosa E. Bauer Stubblefield.
STUBBLEFIELD, Paul LeRoy  B. 1917  D. 1917
****  Son of James Willis and Rosa E. Bauer Stubblefield.

STUBBLEFIELD, Mable Berniece  B. 1918  D. 1918
****  Daughter of James Willis and Rosa E. Bauer Stubblefield.

Small stone with "Mother" next to large Stubblefield stone.

Three names on one stone

STUBBLEFIELD, James W.  B. 1877  D. 1948

+  

STUBBLEFIELD, Rosa E.  His Wife  B. 1894  D. 1919

STUBBLEFIELD, Uhlan  Son  B. 1919  D. 1919
****  Son of James Willis and Rosa E. Bauer Stubblefield.  Son's name on stone with parents.

SECTION I, ROW 30

LAXTON, Mary Margaret  Our Little Angel  B. March 29, 1920  D. Nov. 3, 1920
Dau. of Mora & Ethel Moore Laxton.

LAXTON, Ethel E.  B. Dec. 9, 1893  D. Sept. 13, 1995
****  Ethel Euridsay, daughter of George Washington and Margaret Elizabeth Lewis Moore. See row 4 for brothers and sisters. Obituary - Southern Illinoisan. Euridsy E. Laxton, 101, of Fruitland Park, Fla. formerly of Sesser, died Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1995 in Leesburg Nursing Center in Leesburg, Fla. Service 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Brayfield Funeral Home in Sesser, with Rev. George Moore officiating. Burial will be in Horse Prairie Cemetery. She was born Dec. 19, 1893 (stone has 9th) in Sesser to David (George in other records) and Elizabeth Lewis Moore. She married Mora Laxton, who preceded her in death in 1965. Survivors include two sons, James Laxton of Leesburg and Doyl Laxton of Morrilton, Ark; five grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild.; and one sister Lillian Miller of Christopher. Discrepancies. Tomb stone has 9th instead of 19th and Ethel E.. Father shown as George Washington Moore instead of David in other records.  

+  

LAXTON, Mora  B. Sept. 25, 1891  D. Oct. 15, 1965
Married Dec. 18, 1911.
****  Children; Mary Margaret (died as baby), James Laxton (Elizabeth Leeper), Doyle Edward Laxton (Virginia Regan).

STUBBLEFIELD, Hosie Alvin  B. 1914  D. 1916
Our Darling Baby
****  Believed to be baby of T. Coil and Beulah (McClintock) Stubblefield.
Oblong piece of stone on ground. No information.

SECTION II

SECTION II, ROW 1

**** Husband of Vada C. Samples
+
CURTIS, Vada C.  B. May 23, 1903  D. Jan. 6, 1982

**** Mary Estella "Essie" Parks. Born in Franklin County Illinois, daughter of Samuel and Nancy Parks. Four grandchildren, two great grandchildren.
+
SAMPLE, Wm. Alva  B. Aug. 16, 1878  D. Dec. 28, 1942
**** Son of William Mitchell and Almira Robinson Sample. Brothers and sisters; Francis Monroe Sample 1873-1960 a brother to William Mitchell Sample and Charles Sample, Mollie Blair, Lucy Moore, Alice Bacon, Bell Kennedy. Children; Vada C. Sample (Harold L. Curtis), Joe Sample (Vernitta Veach), Pauline Sample (Joe Lambert). Brothers and sisters, Charlie Sample, Elza Marland Sample, Maude Sample (Murray), Mable Sample (Payne).

RISLEY, Ida Charlette  B. Sept. 14, 1932  D. (No date)
+

RISLEY, Lelia Mae  B. 1938  D. 1938
**** Daughter of Virgil and Leona Dilliner Risley).

BROWN, Maggie  B. 1892  D. 1966
**** Sister to Oscar Risley, Tom Risley, Lillie Risley (Huffstutler), Ella Risley (Jerald Martin)(Ozza). Daughter of Henry and Cora Parnell Risley.
+
BROWN, Alonzo  B. 1891  D. 1951
BROWN, William F. B. 1908 D. 1941

BRADEN, M. Marguerite Clasley Brown Isaacs Braden

BROWN, Lillian R. B. 1931 D. 1945
**** A new stone. Old one at foot has Ruth on it. Daughter of William Fay and Margaret Brown.

ISAACS, Paul Everet B. Jan. 31, 1924 D. May 20, 1972
Military marker: Illinois PFC Co. C351 Infantry WW II PH.
**** Military stone as headstone.

SECTION II, ROW 2

COOK, Margaret B. B. July 6, 1899 D. March 4, 1974
**** Son of James H. and Nettie May Allen Cook. Son Dwight.

RISLEY, Hattie Mother B. Oct. 29, 1895 D. Feb. 1, 1970
**** Hattie was born to Thomas and Louisa Kirkpatrick Stubblefield. Sister: Flora Stubblefield (Reed), Alice Stubblefield (Louie Cloyd). Brother: Coil (Beulah McClintick)
+ RISLEY, Oscar Father B. April 14, 1893 D. Jan. 6, 1969

CLOYD, Alice At Rest B. 1884 D. 1961
+ CLOYD, Louie B. 1876 D. 1949
**** Children: Hazel Cloyd (John Harold Clinton), Louise Cloyd (Foster), Raymond Cloyd, Stanley Cloyd, Roy Cloyd (Ida Magdaline Underwood).
STUBBLEFIELD, Louisa  B. July 13, 1864  D. Feb. 20, 1948

_Weep not for them though tears arise for they are happy in the skies_

**** Louisa A. Kirkpatrick daughter of George Washington and Sarah Huie Kirkpatrick.

+ STUBBLEFIELD, Thomas J.  B. Feb. 8, 1855  D. May 19, 1933

**** Thomas James, son of James and Betheny Melton Stubblefield. Children: Alice Stubblefield (Louie Cloyd), Hattie Stubblefield (Oscar Risley), Coil Stubblefield (Beulah McClintick). Brother, James C. Stubblefield, father of Willie Stubblefield.

STUBBLEFIELD, Stanley Wayne  B. Aug. 6, 1922  D. Jan. 28, 1936

**** Son of Coil and Beulah (McClintock) Stubblefield.

STUBBLEFIELD, Beulah  B. Jan. 8, 1892  D. Aug. 9, 1970

**** Nee McClintock. Arbaulah "Beulah" born in Franklin Co., Ill. daughter of Isaac Newton and Mary A. Weaver McClintock

+ STUBBLEFIELD, T. Coil  B. Oct. 15, 1890  D. Aug. 19, 1960

**** Son of Thomas J. and Louisa Kirkpatrick Stubblefield. Children: Stanley Wayne Stubblefield, Tom Stubblefield (Wilma Hurst), Roy Stubblefield, Buck Stubblefield, Lola Stubblefield (Clarence Crawford), Mary Stubblefield (Stufflebean), Verna, James, Lavern, Carrol.


+ TAYLOR, Vallie  B. Jan. 6, 1881  D. Jan. 23, 1960

Connor, Reba  B. Aug. 28, 1912  D. Sept. 3, 1945


+ Connor, Frank  B. Nov. 7, 1906  D. (No date)

**** Married first Reba Kirkpatrick, January 1935, second wife Lilly Conner.


SECTION II, ROW 3

Cook, Mabel L.  B. June 13, 1895  D. July 13, 1988

**** Mable Lauretta, daughter of Evan B. and Mary Irene Jumper Kelley. Last charter member of Oakland Freewill Baptist Church. Daughter of Evan and Mary Irene Jumper Kelley. Brother: Orlie Kelley (Reva Manesse) and sisters: Golden (Arlie Odle)(Earl Marlow)(Euice S. Pasley), five more sisters, maybe a Nancy
+ COOK, Harvey A. B. March 4, 1892 D. May 30, 1965
**** Harvey Archibald, son of James Harvey and Nettie May Allen Cook. Children: Nettie Irene Cook (Wooters), Caryle Cook (Genieve Unknown)

JONES, Ruby M. B. Nov. 1, 1913 D. (No date)
**** Nee Flach. Sister Mable Elizabeth (Olyn Robbins).


JONES, Lela B. Nov. 12, 1891 D. July 3, 1975
**** Daughter of John T. and Sarah Whitlow Johnson.

+ JONES, Otto B. Jan. 13, 1890 D. June 5, 1971
**** Jonathan Otto. Son Hershel Jones.

BAUMAN, Joseph E. B. 1945 D. 1945
**** Son of John and Mildred Newbury Bauman.

BAUMAN, Mildred L. B. 1912 D. 1984

+ BAUMAN, John J. B. 1912 D. 2001
**** Son of John E. and Rosa Kirkpatrick Bauman. Children: Glen Carol born 1938 (Martha Inabnit), Ray Leon born 1936, Hazel Mae born 1950 (Jerry Wilmore) divorced, Margaret Aline born 1942 (Lyng), Joseph E.

BAUMAN, Rosa E. B. 1880 D. 1954
**** Rose Ellen daughter of John Foster and Margaret T. Moore Kirkpatrick. See Section I, R 16.

+ BAU EMAN, John E. B. 1875 D. 1940
**** John Edmond, father of John J. Bauman (Mildred Bauman) and Flossie Bauman (Leslie Roberson), Laura Marie Bauman (Nastole, born Sept. 1909)

SECTION II, ROW 4

**** Son of Julia Allen and William C. Sulcer.

SUL CER, Julia E. B. 1884 D. 19 (No date)

+ SUL CER, W. C. B. 1879 D. 1934
**** William C. Sulcer. Children: James W. (Hazel Phillips), Kirby G. (Winifred L.), Earl Sulcer, Roe (Chesta Fae Atchison), Harry Sulcer, Neal (Ollie Van Hoorebeke), Ray Sulcer.
SULCER, James W.  B. 1904  D. 1939  

**** Son of William C. and Julia Allen Sulcer. Both killed in auto accident, No children.

COCKRUM, Viva M.  B. 1906  D.1985  
**** Daughter of Raleigh and Eva Veach Harrison.  +
COCKRUM, Albert M.  B. 1899  D. 1973  

CARNES, Edith H.  B. Sept.15, 1892  D. Sept. 19, 1940  
At Rest With God  
**** Children: Dorothy Carnes (Clarence Lewis), Juanita Carnes (Slayton).  +
CARNES, William  B. Sept. 28, 1885  D. June 1, 1960  

SECTION II, ROW 5

KIRKPATRICK, Lola M.  B. Mar. 20, 1927  D. (No date)  +
**** Military marker:  S Sgt US Army World War II

KIRKPATRICK, Delsie E.  B. Nov. 29, 1901  D. Dec. 7, 1979  
Delsie Elizabeth Lewis, daughter of Edward and Ada Jane Kirkpatrick Lewis. Sister to Archie Lewis (Dena Clayton), George Lewis (Cora Elkins), Hosea Lewis (Maude Cockrum), John B. Lewis, (Edith Clayton), Thurman Lewis (Verna Graham), Rella Lewis (Louie Cockrum). Children: Evelyn Kirkpatrick (Clifford Hawkins), Dora Ada Kirkpatrick (Gerald Gulley), Amy Lorene Kirkpatrick (Travis Moore).  +
KIRKPATRICK, John H.  B. Feb. 16, 1900  D. May 27, 1962  
**** Son of William Edmond and Dora H. Swisher Kirkpatrick

Daughter of Roy W. and Ethel Elkins Kirkpatrick.
****  Grandson of Roy W. and Ethel Elkins Kirkpatrick. Son of Ronald Gene Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Ethel L.  Mother                B. May 9, 1911          D. (No date)

KIRKPATRICK, Roy W.  Father                B. Jan. 5, 1904          D. May 22, 1941
Children: Betty Lou Kirkpatrick (died young), James Delmar Kirkpatrick, Ronald Gene Kirkpatrick. His brothers are Leo Kirkpatrick, John Kirkpatrick, Glen Kirkpatrick, Edward Kirkpatrick (Lola Dillion), sisters Sibyl Kirkpatrick (Loren Heiple) Irene Kirkpatrick (Mitchell Sample), Mary Isabel (Weil Harris). Married Nov. 26, 1927 Ethel Lea Elkins.

KIRKPATRICK, Patricia Ann            B. Nov. 22, 1933           D. Nov. 22, 1933

In Loving Memory
****  Daughter of Glenn and Arline Lemons Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Glenna Jean            B. April 18, 1935          D. April 18, 1935

In Loving Memory
****  Daughter of Glenn and Arline Lemons Kirkpatrick

KIRKPATRICK, Shirley               B. July 26, 1936           D. July 26, 1936

In Loving Memory
****  Daughter of Glenn and Arline Lemons Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK, Glenn                  B. Nov. 17, 1902          D. Oct. 1, 1980
****  Son of William Edmond and Dora Swisher Kirkpatrick. Children: Patricia Ann, Glenna Jean and Shirley, all died at birth.

+ KIRKPATRICK, Arline L.            B. Jan. 4, 1911           D. (No date)
Married Dec. 24, 1931.

SECTION II, ROW 6

ATCHISON, James Dale  Our Baby             B. 1948               D. 1948
Son of J. & M. Atchison.
****  Son of James and Madge Cantrell Atchison.

****  James Olen Atchison, son of Harvey Valentine and Maggie Ethel Johnson Atchison

+
ATCHISON, Madge L. B. June 24, 1918 D. (No date)
Married, Oct. 1, 1938.
**** Daughter of William and Janie Lampkins Cantrell. Brothers and sisters; Mary Cantrell (Clarence Seiler), Homer Cantrell, Wright Cantrell, Sefton Cantrell (Madeline Brown), Persia Cantrell (Virgia Melton), Hershel Cantrell (Lula Holliday), Roy Cantrell (Ruth Stevinson), John Cantrell (Otha Ryan), Kirk Cantrell. Children; Linda Atchison (Adcock), Joyce Atchison (Planck).

MOORE, Mary F. B. 1913 D. 1954

MOORE, Max B. 1904 D. 1987

MOORE, Irene B. 1898 D. 1933
**** Irene Rowe. Daughter of Pauline Gamber Rowe (Herbert Cook)

**** Married first Seaverns, second Gamber. Mother of Mary Seavern Moore (Max Moore)

GAMBER, Frank. B. Sept. 2, 1885 D. July 2, 1971

KIRKPATRICK, Lula J. B. May 8, 1889 D. Feb. 1, 1954
**** Daughter of John and Sarah Whitlow Johnston. Sisters: Maggie Ethel Johnston (Harvey Valentine Atchison), Lela Johnston (Otto Jones), Birdie Johnston (Vallie Taylor), Charles Johnston, Johnnie Johnston (Jennie Brown, daughter of Sanford and Maggie Risley Brown)

KIRKPATRICK, Roscoe *Father* B. April 21, 1889 D. April 3, 1963
**** Roscoe Arthur Kirkpatrick, son of John Foster and Margaret T. Moore Kirkpatrick. Children: Charles Kirkpatrick (Odelia Mary Ann "Peggy" Hagen), Reba Kirkpatrick (Frank Conner)

KIRKPATRICK, Lillie M. B. Jan. 21, 1883 D. May 8, 1965
**** Lillie, daughter of Florence Wheller and Dr. Ulysses Hutson. Sister: Clara Hutson (James Elza Huie), Mae Hutson (Marion E. Reagin), Dessie Hutson (Unknown Cockrum). Brother: Clarence O. Hutson Children: William Olin Kirkpatrick (Opal Ragland), Madge Kirkpatrick (Leever). Married August 9, 1903.

KIRKPATRICK, James A. B. June 21, 1882 D. Sept. 20, 1943
**** Son of John Foster and Margaret T. Moore Kirkpatrick. Sister: Rose (Bauman). For siblings see Section I Row 16.

ALLEN, Amy D. B. 1873 D. 1940
Nee Sulser. Daughter of James N. Sulser and Almedia E. Reynolds

+
ALLEN, Henry S.  

SECTION II, ROW 7

SULCER, Ronald R.  
B. Aug. 24, 1939  D. June 5, 1957  
****  Ronnie Roe Sulcer, son of Roe and Chesta Fay Atchison Sulcer. Died in Colorado while on vacation, just after graduating from high school. Class valedictorian. Trombone emblem on stone.

SULCER, Chesta F.  
B. Jan. 26, 1917  D. (No date)  

SULCER, Roe A.  
B. Nov. 30, 1915  D. June 13, 1985  
****  Son of William C. and Julia Allen Sulcer. Son: Ronnie Roe. Brothers: Earl Sulcer, Ray Sulcer, Neal Sulcer (Ollie Van Hoorebeck), Kirby Sulcer, Harry Sulcer, James Sulcer (Hazel Shelton) divorced. Masonic Lodge emblem on stone.

BARBER, Freda  
B. 1908  D. (No date)  

BARBER, Fred  
B. 1908  D. 1973  
****  Son of Fred Sr. Sisters: Elizabeth Barber (Bruce), Emily Barber (Fisher), Nancy Barber (Bolstead). Came to Sesser 1921. Masonic Lodge Emblem.

LEWIS, Robert Don  
Peace in Valley  
****  Died in motorcycle accident. Son of Don and Sadie Atchison Lewis. Snow scene on stone.

LEWIS, Sadie Jo  
B. Sept. 14, 1923  D. (No date)  
****  Daughter of Harvey Valentine and Maggie Ethel Johnston Atchison.

LEWIS, Donald H.  
B. April 29, 1920  D. (No date)  
****  Son of Opal And Kate Harrison Lewis. Children: Robert Don Lewis, Debbie Lewis (Janinski), Gary Lewis.
KIRKPATRICK, Charles E.  B. April 21, 1914  D. March 16, 1991
Military marker Tec. 4 U. S. Army World War II

KIRKPATRICK, Odelia M.  B. Oct. 22, 1916  D. (No date)
**** Alias Peggy Hagen. Odelia Mary Ann
**** Son of Charles and Odelia Kirkpatrick. Lamb on stone.

Military marker: Pvt US Army World War II
+
CLAPP, Marie S.  B. Mar 3, 1921  D. (No date)

CLAPP, Leslie E.  Jesus  B. Sept. 17, 1942  D. Apr. 28, 1996
Military marker: Sgt. US Air Force Vietnam
**** Leslie Edward Clapp

SMITH, Bernice B.  B. Dec. 8, 1900  D. April 12, 1983
**** Daughter of Austin and Safrona Kelly Walker. Son: Glen.
+
**** Son of Jesse and Betty Lyle Smith. Sister: Adra (Holman).

SECTION II, ROW 8

SPILLER, Marvin Dean  B. June 28, 1936  D. (No date)
+
Forever loved and forever mourned
**** Viola Mable Payne, daughter of Ruth Cockrum and Harold E. Payne, Son Marty.

PAYNE, Ruth E.  B. March 26, 1908  D. (No date)
**** Daughter of Matthew Franklin "Frank" and Mary Viola Kirkpatrick Cockrum.
+
PAYNE, Harold E.  B. Nov. 13, 1907  D. June 27, 1963
Married Sept. 20, 1930.

SAMPLE, Elizabeth P. Nee Hayse. Remarried.
B. Oct. 18, 1943 D. (No date)

+ SAMPLE, Kenneth M.
B. Dec. 16, 1939 D. March 25, 1971

***** Kenneth Marland son of William and Helen Cockrum Sample. Brother Caroll Sample (Nancy Burns). Sister: Joyce Sample (Fletcher). Died from coal mine accident. Children: Kendra Sample, Marland Glenn Sample (April Lynn Conner), Jason Sample: Willand Marland Sample (Clara Helen Cockrum born 1914)

SAMPLE, Clara Helen
B. Apr 6, 1914 D. (No date)

+ SAMPLE, William M.
B. Feb 3, 1911 D. July 20, 1996
Married Sept 21, 1937

SAMPLE, Douglas
B. March 4, 1965 D. March 4, 1965
Inf Son of Wm. & Marie

***** Infant son of William E. and Theresea Marie Sample. Lamb on stone.

SAMPLE, Mae Irene
B. Aug. 5, 1913 D. June 9, 1991

***** Daughter of William Edmond and Dora Swisher Kirkpatrick.

+ SAMPLE, Elza Mitchell
B. June 15, 1907 D. May 19, 1982
Married Feb. 28, 1931.

***** Son of Marland and Mattie/Martha Viola Quillman Sample. Children: Marjorie Joan Sample (Billy E. Earnhart born 1929, son of William Lester and Rachel Georgia Penrod). Children: Christa Michele Earnhart, Mitchell Carroll Earnheart; William Elza Sample (Theresa Marie Undiener), children, Edward Elza Sample (Veronica Elaine Wilson, daughter of James Leon Wilson and Mary Fay Kiselewski, their child Katherine Elizabeth Sample); Roy Michael Sample, Bradley George Sample; Martha Helen Sample (Dan Hargis), Delmar Leroy Sample (Joan), Larry E. Sample (Mona Unknown), Danny Carrol Sample (Sharon Unknown). Hands reaching for God’s hand.

SAMPLE, Elza M. Father
B. Oct. 12, 1880 D. March 20, 1975

***** Elza Marland son of William Mitchell, the son of Joseph M. Sample and Mary Unknown Sample. He was born in Monroe Co. Sweetwater, Tennessee. In 1864 moved to Franklin Co., Ill. Died Sept. 26, 1941. He married Almira Robinson Sept. 16, 1877. William Mitchell and Almira Robinson children were, William Alvie, Elza Marland, Mary Maude (Murray), Lucy Mable (Payne), Charles Monroe. Wife Almira died Nov. 19, 1936. He leaves to mourn two sisters, Laura Belle (D. W. Kennedy), Alice Bacon, and brother Francis M. Sample Children of Elza Marland Sample: William Elza Mitchell Sample (Mae Irene Kirkpatrick), Dulsie Viola Sample (George Keller), William Marland Sample (Helen Cockrum), Martha Roberta Sample (Wayne K. Cockrum), Ruby Sample (Dallas R. Robinson), Christine Mildred Sample (Ralph E. Clapp), Marie Norella Sample
(Byrl L. Clapp), Lucy Mae Sample (Donald D. Kraft). Second marriage, Janie Carol Mack. Brothers and sisters, William Alva Sample (Mary Estella Parks (parents Samuel and Nancy Parks), Charles M. Sample, Mable Sample (Ernest Payne), Maude Sample (Murray)

+ **SAMPLE**, Mattie V. *Mother*  
  B. April 15, 1878  
  D. Jan. 23, 1937  
  At Rest  
  Married Oct. 10, 1903.  
  **** Name is Martha Viola. Daughter of William Jacob and Josephine Griffith Jones Quillman.

**KELLER**, Dulsie V.  
  B. Nov. 26, 1904  
  D. Dec. 27, 1982  

**SECTION II, ROW 9**

**MOORE**, Allie L.  
  B. 1896  
  D. 1975  
  **** Daughter of John W. and Ida Blanton Loucks. Brothers and sisters: Luther Loucks (Thelma Waller)(Marie Short Rodley Kann), Thomas (Lottie M. Gilliam), William W. Loucks (Grace Marie Kiegley, Clyde Loucks, Elizabeth Loucks (Noble Raymond Simmons).

+ **MOORE**, John B.  
  B. 1890  
  D. 1968  
  **** John Burt Moore, born May 31, 1890. Married first Swisher. Children: Maxine (Bullock), Wayne Moore. Married second Allie Loucks, Children: Warren Moore (Elnora Dye), Ward Moore (Janima Reid)(Mildred F. Dehnbospel), Erma (Wilson), Hilda (Boswell), Margaret (Gocken)(Meents), Virginia Beth (George Reed), Helen (Jennings). Son of William and Nancy McFatridge Moore. Siblings: Alfred (Addie Thompson), Sam (Lizzie Thompson), Minnie (James Davis), Mary (Frank Gruchalia), Drew M. (Matilda Kelly, daughter of Nathan Kelly).

**HILL**, Edna  
  B. 1924  
  D. (No date)  
  Married Dec. 23, 1945.  
  **** Daughter of John and Gladys Vaughn Bannister.

+ **HILL**, Clifford  
  B. 1921  
  D. 1999  
  **** Son of Greenberry and Josie Taylor Hill. Praying hands.

**BANISTER**, R. Kenneth  
  B. Feb. 21, 1929  
  D. April 13, 1993  
  *In Loving Memory*. Ashes scattered at sea.

**BANISTER**, Carl Lee  
  B. March 31, 1935  
  D. April 24, 1974  
  **** Son of John and Gladys Vaughn Bannister.

**BANISTER**, Gladys  
  B. 1907  
  D. 1986  
  Married May 17, 1923.  
BANISTER, John  
B. 1898  D. 1960  
**** Son of Miriam Bannister, who lived in Gary, Indiana area. Brothers and sisters: Homer Banister, Russell Banister, Cornith Banister, Gaston Banister, Leonard Banister, Violet Banister (Guy Vaughn? 2 children) (Neal), Dixie (Burbridge).

EATON, Ethel  
B. Nov. 12, 1885  D. Oct. 23, 1967  

HAMILTON, Laura D.  
B. 1881  D. 1958  
Daughter of William and Harriet Boswell Eaton

HAMILTON, S. T.  
B. 1870  D. 1953  

McVAIGH, Jess I.  
B. Sept. 3, 1907  D. 1980  

McVAIGH, Jewell M.  

ATCHISON, Maggie  
B. July 31, 1887  D. July 25, 1970  
Maggie Ethel Johnston, daughter of John T. (born 1855 and died 1948 and Sarah Ann Whitlow Johnston. For siblings, see Section I, Row 3.

ATCHISON, H. V.  
B. Oct. 7, 1882  D. March 7, 1949  
Harvey Valentine, son of James M. Atchison and Mary Ann Cockrum (daughter of Charles Miles and Naoni Brown Cockrum). Children: John William Atchison (Louise House, daughter of James Riley and Mary Ann Duff House), James Atchison (Madge Cantrell), Freda Ann Atchison (Michael Emmett O'Sullivan)(Fred Barbor), Jewell May Atchison (Opal Hamilton)(Jess I. McVaigh), Beulah Atchison (Robert Hudson), Chesta Fay Atchison (Roe Sulcer), Sadie Atchison (Donald Lewis), Harvey Kent Atchison (Judy Williams). Brothers: Frank Atchison (Zola Jones), Andrew J. "Jack" Atchison (Ella Unknown), Will Atchison. One half brother Shelley Williams and half sister Sarah Farmer West Roberts (her father a Farmer from 1st marriage). Married two different Williams.
SECTION III

SECTION III, ROW 1

STUBBINS, Wm. H.  B. 1869  D. 1944

STUBBINS, James B.  Son  B. 1898  D. 1963

STUBBINS, Joseph J.  Son  Father  B. 1901  D. 1967

LEWIS, Maude H.  B. July 25, 1889  D. Aug. 11, 1978
**** Daughter of Matthew Frank and Carrie Mae Eshleman Cockrum.

**** Son of Edward L. and Ada Jane Kirkpatrick Lewis. Children: Mildred Lewis (Harvey Phillips), Col. Clarence Lewis (Unknown Carnes).

BOSWELL, Altia  B. Sept. 5, 1892  D. Feb. 20, 1958
**** Daughter of Andrew and Ida Eubanks. Married first Harvey Boswell. Children: Warren Boswell (Thelma Walker), Jess Boswell (Irene Eubanks), Mary Alice Boswell (Charles Ritter), Howard Boswell (Josephine M. Gurney), Harvey Boswell. Sister: Gethal Eubanks Ruhl. Married 2nd (Unknown Erwin)

BOSWELL, Mary Jo  B. March 3, 1947  D. April 14, 1947

**** Died in Foster G. McGaw Hospital in Maywood. Born in Chicago Heights, Illinois to John And Rose Marie Scharland Gurney. Married April 20, 1946. Survived by one son, William H. Boswell Jr. and wife Denise of Mazon, Ill. Four daughters; Diane Hamby and husband Jim of Wartsburg, Tenn; Liz McPheison and husband Ron of Wilmington, Ill.; Jennifer Baxter and Kelly Boswell of Wilmington, Ill. One brother, Jimmy Gurney of Cicero, one sister, Anna Adair and husband George of Wilminington. 12 grandchildren, five great grandchildren.
BOSWELL, William H. Sr.  
In God’s Hands
Heart, praying hands, cross

B. Feb. 27, 1926   D. 1997

RITTER, Mary A.  
Mother

B. May 17, 1919    D. July 15, 1995


PHILLIPS, Carrie M.

B. Jan. 4, 1881    D. June 15, 1971


PHILLIPS, James R.  
Jim

B. April 16, 1877 D. June 13, 1960

**** Son of Robert and Julina King Phillips.

SOUCIE, Leah L.

B. 1906 D. 1980

**** Daughter of John W. and Zoe Phillips Lambert.

SECTION III, ROW 2

BAUMAN, Keith Wade


Beloved husband of Melanie.  Father of Charlene June 2, 1989


PHILLIPS, Mildred K.


MCNINCH, Ethel Zoa

B. 1908   D. 1994


PHILLIPS, H. Eugene

B. 1906   D. 1980

Military marker only. Pvt. U.S. Army World War II.

PHILLIPS, Ollie E.          B. 1882              D. 1976

PHILLIPS, William A.        B. 1879              D. 1959

TANNER, Clyde              B. Sept. 4, 1907           D. Oct. 25, 1968

TANNER, Ellen Phillips      B. Jan. 13, 1913           D. (No date)
***** Daughter of George Alfred and Louzetta Bays Phillips. Two stones on one base.

PHILLIPS, Mildred          B. Apr 3, 1913           D. Nov. 15, 1973

PHILLIPS, G. Harvey        B. Aug. 17, 1904           D. Apr 4, 1978
***** Son of George Alfred and Lozetta Bays Phillips.

PHILLIPS, Grace            B. (No date)              D. (No date)

ROBERSON, Ruby J. Phillips Nation B. 1909           D. 1959

PHILLIPS, Louzetta         B. 1882              D. 1970
***** Nee Bays. Sister to Carroll Bays

PHILLIPS, George A.        B. 1883              D. 1951

SECTION III, ROW 3

***** Infant son of Peter and Mildred Kirkpatrick Metzger.

MCNEAL, Mildred A. “Dutchess” B. Sept. 19, 1925           D. June 22, 1975
Together Forever Married April 25, 1964

MCNEAL, Donald L.          B. Feb. 11, 1935           D. (No date)
***** Son Donald L. McNeal. Married (Unknown)

LEWIS, Vella Blaze Bodie Wife of Eugene B. May 11, 1917           D. Dec 9, 1996
Miss me—
But let me go
When I came to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free.
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the love that we once shared.
Miss me—but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all a part of the master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick of heart,
Go to the family we know.
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.
Miss me—but let me go.

Drawing of pastoral scene

LEWIS, Cora E. B. 1895 D. 1982
Married Oct. 24, 1914.
**** Daughter of Henry and Rosetta Plumlee Elkins. Children: Stanley Lewis, Olen Lewis (Hazel Billie Inabnit), Vella Lewis (Blaze), Theda Lewis (Unknown)(Howard Cockrum), Wanda Lewis (Merkel), Mary Lewis (Coeber).

LEWIS, George N. B. 1890 D. 1968
**** Son of Edward L. and Ada Kirkpatrick Lewis.

LEWIS, Linda J. B. Sept. 14, 1943 D. (No date)
Wed Oct 20, 1965

Loving Parents of Rhonda, Johnnie, Nancy, Teresa
****Obituary---Eddie Bunion Lewis 63, of Sesser died 7:08 p.m. March 31, 1997, at Franklin Hospital, Benton. Mr. Lewis was born Jan. 3, 1934 in Sesser, the son of John Lewis and Edith Clayton. October 20, 1965 in Benton he married Linda Eller, who survives. Services will be at 2:00 p.m. at Horse Prairie Baptist Church in Sesser with the Rev. Woody Wilson officiating. Burial will be in Horse Prairie Cemetery. Friends may call from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Sesser and from noon to 2:00 p.m. at Horse Prairie Baptist Church in Sesser. Mr. Lewis is survived by a son, Johnnie Lewis of LaGrange, three daughters, Rhonda Williams and husband Gary of Galatia [Rhonda was daughter of Linda before marriage to Eddie Lewis], Nancy Brown and Bill of Sesser, Teresa Lewis of Sesser. Six Grandchildren, four sisters: Ermandine Simmons of Hobart, Indiana, Maxine Conner of Mulkeytown, Margaret Purdie of Elkhart, Indiana, Leota Guthrie of Mt. Vernon. Mr. Lewis was preceded in death by parents and two sisters. Praying hands and cross.

LEWIS, Eva E. B. Sept. 25, 1920 D. July 14, 1989
Dau. of John & Edith
**** Daughter of John And Edith Clayton Lewis.
LEWIS, John B.  
B. May 28, 1893  
D. Nov. 7, 1980  
Military marker. PFC U.S. Army World War I
**** John Bunyan son of Edward L. and Ada Jane Kirkpatrick Lewis. Brothers and sisters: Rella Lewis (Louie Edwin Cockrum), Thurman Lewis (Verna Graham), Archie Lewis (Dena Clayton), Hosie Lewis (Maude Cockrum), George Lewis (Cora Elkins), Delsie Lewis (Unknown Kirkpatrick), Effie born 1891, died as child, infant born 1896 and died as infant.

LEWIS, Edith  
B. Jan. 8, 1900  
D. June 26, 1968  

LEWIS, Florine  
B. Oct. 6, 1918  
D. July 23, 1939  
Daughter of Edith and John B. Lewis  
**** Daughter of John and Edith Clayton Lewis.

COOK, Ethel  
B. 1884  
D. 1974  
+  
COOK, R. Vesta  
B. 1876  
D. 1952  
**** Children: Lester Cook, Joe Cook, Darell Cook. Son of Jasper and Mary Jane Moss Cook. Brothers & Sisters: James Harvey (Nettie May Allen), Sarah J. Cook, William T. Cook, Nancy E. Cook. Stone has two parts with urn in middle.

SECTION III, ROW 4

ROLAND, Rada  
At Rest  
B. Feb. 13, 1902  
D. Apr. 16, 1986  
Rada Vaughn married Sam Roland Jan. 18, 1923.  
To this marriage eleven children were born.  
**** Daughter of Rebecca Tucker and Thomas Vaughn.

ROLAND, Thomas E.  
B. 1942  
D. 1957  
**** Son of Rada and Samuel Roland. Killed by car while riding bike.

KIRKPATRICK, Burza Nee Vaughn  
B. 1898  
D. 1962  

KIRKPATRICK, Wayman T.  
B. Dec. 24, 1922  
D. Feb. 2, 1983  
KIRKPATRICK, Maxine  B. May 10, 1933  D. (No date)
Married March 6, 1954.
**** Nee Shephard. Daughter of Jake and Golda Richards Shephard and Brothers and sisters;
Thelma Shephard (Abe Chestnut), Byrl Shepherd, Edna Shepherd (Ralph Bean), Geraldine Shepherd (William Muir), Jake Shepherd Jr. (Cara Mae Witcher), Paul Shepherd, Wilma Shepherd (Jogene Morris, Betty Shepherd (Robert Burkle), Mary Shepherd (George Brown).

A. L.
Small square stone flat against earth. No other inscription.

VAUGHN, James Guy  B. Jan.15, 1900  D. Feb. 28, 1970
Military marker only. Illinois Pvt. U.S. Army. World War II
**** Married Violet Banister. Children: 2

**** Daughter of Elmer and Clara McGinnis Clayton.
+

NEWBURY, James Walter  B. April 24, 1951  D. July 8, 1951
Son of Walter and Wanda Newbury
**** Son of Walter and Wanda Laird Newbury. Lamb on stone.

SECTION III, ROW 5

MARTIN, Anita M.  B. Nov. 7, 1915  D. (No date)
**** Daughter of Joseph and Myrtle Nowland Newbury.
+
**** Son of Harl and Blanche Rogers Martin. Children: Joe Martin (Patricia Frick), Ernie Martin (Biancanki), Dorothy Martim (Lacy). Brothers and sisters: Beulah Martin (Hayes), Bertie Martin (Crosno), Paul Martin, Warren Martin, Coy Martin, Roy Martin.

NEWBURY, Myrta  At Rest  B. 1888  D. 1954
+
NEWBURY, Joseph A.  B. 1887  D. 1966
**** Children; Mildred Newberry (John Bauman), Aline Newbury (Robert Roots), Alma Newbury (Delbert Brown), Tom Newbury (Mary Laird), Walter Newbury (Wanda Laird), Joe Frank Newbury (Doris Montgomery).
+
Married April 17, 1930.
**** Elmer Kenneth Fulton, son of George and Cora E. Butler Fulton, born in Wayne Co., Illinois. Survived by 1 daughter named above, 2 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

**** Daughter of Theodore and Ida Kirkpatrick Jones. Survivors include a daughter, Carolyn Levant (Clark), and son Jeff Levant, five grandchildren, one great grandchild. Lived at Westchester, Ill. Obituary. Divided stone with vase in middle.
+
LEVANT, Joseph                         B. March 17, 1910           D. Oct. 25, 1974

JONES, Ida May                         B. 1885                    D. 1970
+
JONES, Theodore                        B. 1882                    D. 1967
**** Son of Lawrence and Alice Boyles Jones. Children: Everett Jones, Robert Jones, Alice Jones (Hergert), Blanch Jones (Joseph Levant), Ruby Ethel Jones (Elmer E. Fulton), Vivian Jones (Vanhulzen), Evelyn Jones (Lamb), Charles Jones (Lillian Quillman Eubanks). Brothers and sisters: Stanton Jones (Tackitt), Malinda Gertrude Jones (Paul Swain), Mrs. E. H. Puppee, Alice "Allie" Jones (Bennett). Ruby Jones, Ernestine Jones, Charles Jones, Wiley Herman Jones, Willie Jones (died young), Evan Jones (died young), Harry Jones (died young). Obituary- Stanton Jones, 99, died in Franklin Hospital Dec. 7, 1996. Burial in Benton Odd Fellows Masonic Cemetery. Born 12 Jan 1897 in rural Benton. He was 11th child of Dr. Lawrence Monroe Jones and Judith Alice Boyles. Married first Cecile Martin; second wife Bertha Jane Tackitt. Survivors are three daughters, Mildred Jane Kieler of East Peoria, Norma Lee Jones of Benton, Karen Kay Jones of Benton and son Lawrence Melvin Jones (wife Susan) of Trenton, Illinois. 5 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren, 3 great-great grandchildren. Preceded in death by son Howard Martin Jones, and 5 sisters and 5 brothers. Member of Palestine Missionary Baptist Church. In later years attended Whittington Baptist Church.

GUTHRIE, Charles L.                   B. July 30, 1928             D. Feb. 27, 1983
**** Son of Arlie and Marie Elder Guthrie. B. Missouri. Children: Donald Guthrie, Richard Guthrie.
+
GUTHRIE, Leota E.                     B. June 27, 1932             D. (No date)
**** Daughter of John B. and Edith Clayton Lewis. Siblings: Maxine Lewis (Leland D. Rentfro)(Conner), Margaret Lewis (Purdie), Erma Dean Lewis (Simmons), Eddie B. Lewis, Florine Lewis (died age 21).

CONNER, Lendell                       B. Aug. 23, 1921             D. Feb. 9, 1996
Military marker: Cpl US Marine Corps  World War I
CONNER, Maxine  
Wed Dec. 18, 1954  
B. Feb. 1, 1925  
D. (No date)

RENTFROW, Lelend D.  
B. July 31, 1917  
D. May 16, 1952  
**In Loving Memory**


SECTION III, ROW 6

Large Cook family stone without other information

COOK, Pauline  
B. July 6, 1916  
D. Aug. 26, 1960  
**** Daughter of Irene Gamber Rowe. Metal ground marker.

+  
COOK, Herbert E.  
B. Feb. 24, 1909  
D. April 24, 1987  
**** Son of William Herbert and Maggie Foster Cook. Son: Leon (Juanita Jones). Married first Pauline Rowe (daughter of Irene Gamber Rowe) and second Edna Fishman. Brothers & sister: Fred Cook, Carl Cook, Aileen Cook (Verdum Isom)(Draper)(Greenwood), Nellie Cook (Shadowens), Marie Cook (Jorgan Peterson), Ruby Cook (Larry Montay), Della Cook (Ott Williams)(Earl Ward).

LOMAN, Art W.  
B. Oct. 13, 1910  
D. June 28, 1987  
“I love you Dad, Mark”

**** Son of William Arthur and Lillie Hodge Loman. Children; Mark, Pam.

LEWIS, Hazel U.  
B. July 16, 1920  
D. (No date)  

+  
LEWIS, Everett E.  
B. Aug. 4, 1916  
D. July 22, 1976  

VEACH, Mary Aileen  
B. Aug. 7, 1919  
D. (No date)  
**** Daughter of Thurman and Verna Graham Lewis.

+  
VEACH, Luther James  
B. Oct. 22, 1918  
D. Jan. 23, 1988  
Wed April 5, 1942  
Military marker. Tec 5 U.S. Army World War II

**** Son of Elmer and Eva Darrington Veach. Sons, Kerry L. Veach, Martin L. Veach. Brother and sisters; Virnetta Veach (Joe Sample), Evadine Veach (Darrell Lewis), Kenneth Veach.
COCKRUM, Mabel                B. Aug. 3, 1912 D. June 9, 1972
**** Parents: Thurman and Verna Graham Lewis. Daughter: Mary Ellen Cockrum (Kenneth Clark).
+
**** Son of Claude J. and Ethel Sulcer Cockrum. Siblings: Opal Cockrum (Eileen Baldwin), Kenneth Cockrum (Emma Louise Van Hoorebeke), Electia Cockrum (d. as child). Married second Theda Lewis.

JOHNSTON, Alice Carrol                B. July 1, 1952 D. July 1, 1952
Dau of Hanley & Naomi Johnston
**** Daughter of Naomi Teffertiller & Hanley Johnston. Lamb on stone.

JOHNSTON, Kimberly Denise                B. April 3, 1959 D. April 3, 1959
Dau of Hanley & Naomi

JOHNSTON, Vivian                B. Feb. 9, 1923 D. (No date)
Nee Morefield
+
Military marker. T. Sgt. U. S. Army Air Corps World War II

TEFFERTILLER, Elmer F. In loving memory                B. Feb. 18, 1903 D. Jan. 1, 1969

SECTION III, ROW 7

JONES, Benny L.                B. 1943 D. 1992
**** Son of Velma Josephine Allen and Herman L. Jones

JONES, Velma J.                B. 1903 D. 1989
+
JONES, Herman L.                B. 1901 D. 1982
**** He died Aug 24, 1982

Jones, Bobby A.                B. 1939 D. (No date)
**** Presumed to be son of Herman L. Jones and Velma Josephine. A son Bobby living in 1989.

Large Cockrum family stone with no other information.

COCKRUM, Myrtle Grace                B. Sept. 4, 1892 D. June 15, 1967
**** Myrtle Grace Batts, daughter of Monroe & Ellen Hutchins Batts. Sister Olean Hart.
+ COCKRUM, Francis Marion  B. Dec. 19, 1878  D. May 2, 1962

+ STUHLMAN, Anton  B. June 29, 1886  D. Aug. 15, 1958
+ STUHLMAN, Mary H. Peek  B. Feb. 25, 1894  D. May 2, 1965

LEWIS, Ella Dee  B. Jan. 12, 1921  D. (No date)

LEWIS, Stanley  B. Nov. 16, 1923  D. (No date)

LEWIS, Sheryl Ann Our Baby Doll  B. 1948  D. 1957
Dau of Leslie & Kathyrn.
**** Daughter of Leslie and Kathyrn Clinton Lewis.

SECTION III, ROW 8

KIRKPATRICK, Donna Sue  B. April 29, 1944  D. (No date)

KIRKPATRICK, Violet B.  B. April 7, 1918  D. Apr 16, 1999

Married May 6, 1939.

KIRKPATRICK, Mary Diane  B. Feb. 10, 1954  D. (No date)

The following four graves share a common base

BATES, Noah F.  B. 1886  D. 1968
**** Son of Kilbrew B. and Malinda Lewis Bates. Brothers and sisters: Edmond Bates (Sybil Harrison) Bates, John Q. Bates (Emeline Bradley, daughter of George and Alicia Bradley),
Dempsey (died in W.W. I), Cora Bates (Benjamin Roberson)(Hodge), Lulu Bates (Monroe Tucker), Rachel Bates (Francis Hayes Stockton). One daughter, Katherine Bates (Loren Griffin).

BATES, Nellie B.  
B. 1886  
D. 1967  

GRiffin, Nancy K.  
B. 1913  
D. 1994  
***** Nancy Katherine Bates, daughter of Noah and Nellie Coates Bates.

GRiffin, Loren C.  
B. 1911  
D. 1973  

WHITLOW, Loretta M.  
B. May 1, 1933  
D. (No date)  
***** Daughter of Fred Heidkamp. Burial in same section.

WHITLOW, Raymond K.  
B. Aug. 19, 1929  
D. (No date)  
***** Raymond Kenneth son of Walter Aikn and Thelma Marie Klinker Whitlow (1907-1981). Brothers: Gerald,

BLYTHE, Allie  
B. Jan. 20, 1885  
D. June 6, 1965  
***** Daughter of Jasper and Adeline Fore Isom. One son J. Donald/Sisk/Blythe. This son went by Blythe as young person. Took name Sisk in later years.

BLYTHE, Ed  
B. Dec. 16, 1881  
D. April 27, 1965  
***** A brother Harry Blythe, sisters; Mamie Meadows, Mrs. Mel McGregor all of Indiana. J. Donald lived in Indianapolis when father died.

COCKRUM, M. Roberta  
B. Jan. 26, 1913  
D. (No date)  
***** Daughter of Elza Marland Sample and Almiria Robinson.

COCKRUM, Wayne K.  
B. Sept. 6, 1909  
D. Dec. 17, 1987  
Married September 26, 1936.  
***** Wayne Kirkpatrick Cockrum, son of Matthew Franklin and Viola Kirkpatrick. Two daughters, Imogene (Newsom)(Van Duker), Marlene (Payne). See parents for brothers and sisters.

SECTION III, ROW 9

KIRKPATRICK, David  
B. 1991  
D. 1991  

KIRKPATRICK, Kenneth Lee  
B. March 5, 1926  
D. Dec.16, 1977  
***** Son of Ivan and Eva Risley Kirkpatrick. Children: Francis Kirkpatrick, LeAnna Kirkpatrick, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Eva Kirkpatrick, Eva Paulette Kirkpatrick (died at birth),
Marvin Kirkpatrick (died at birth). Called "Kingfish". Half siblings: Thomas Kirkpatrick, William Kirkpatrick, Jean Kirkpatrick (Jess White), Mary Joan Kirkpatrick (Unknown Clarke), and step-brother Melvin Ray.

**KIRKPATRICK, Marvin**

B. 1960 D. 1960  

***** Brayfield Funeral Marker only. Son of Kenneth and Evelyn Kiselewski Kirkpatrick.

**KIRKPATRICK, Eva Paulette.**

B. 1962 D. 1962  

***** There is no visible marker for Eva Paulette Kirkpatrick. Born and died March 1962 in St. Joseph Hospital in Elgin, Ill.

**CHISM, Gus L.**

B. 1887 D. 1965  


+  

**CHISM, Isabelle**

B. 1899 D. 1985  

***** Isabelle, daughter of Richard and Christine Litter Butcher. Step son: Paul Chism.

**VEACH, Anna Claxton**


**HEIDKAMP, Fred C.**

B. Aug. 7, 1904 D. July 12, 1977  

***** Son of Edward and Josephine Mmenk Heidkamp. Survived by three sons, Delmar Heidkamp, Robert Heidkamp and Edward Heidkamp all of Cisco. Four daughters, Lorette Heidkamp (Raymond Whitlow) of Sesser, Betty Heidkamp Leach of Monticello, Joyce Heidkamp and Peggy Heidkamp Parsons, both of Cisco. One sister Irma Heidkamp Henke of Edwardsville. Nine grandchildren, one great grandchild. Obituary.

**WHITLOW, Dorothy**

B. 1898 D. 1989  


**WALKER, Marshall R.**

B. March 20, 1902 D. July 1,1983  

***** Died at Conway, Arkansas, where he had lived for 47 years. Survived by brother, Grant Walker of Seal Beach, California, and sister-in-law, Birdie Penny, North Little Rock.

**ATCHISON, Zola**

B. Sept. 15, 1894 D. April 13, 1971  


+  

**ATCHISON, Frank**


***** Son of James and Mary Ann Cockrum Farmer Atchison Williams. James M. Atchison age 32 born in Washington Co., Ill., son of Thomas Atchison and Judia Weever married Mary Ann Cockrum Farmer, daughter of Charles Miles Cockrum and Naomi Brown. Mary Ann age 24 and 2nd marriage born in Franklin Co., Ill. Marriage date May 14, 1878. [Farmer must have been first

**ATCHISON, Paul**

**B. June 13, 1914**

**D. April 1, 1976**

Military marker: Pvt. U.S. Army. World War II

SECTION IV

SECTION IV, ROW 1

SAMPLE, David Carroll
  B. Oct. 24, 1944      D. June 28, 1984

Beloved & loving husband and father

Footstone: The wing beneath our wings

Married Jan. 6, 1967.

**** Son of William Marland and Helen Cockrum Sample. Married Nancy Burns. Two sons: David Sample and Matthew Sample. Sister: Joyce Elizabeth Sample (Fletcher). Brother: Kenneth Marland Sample (Elizabeth Haye). Drawing of deer in woods.

COCKRUM, Linda A.
  B. Feb. 10, 1949      D. (No date)

+

COCKRUM, William “Billy”
  B. Nov. 19, 1947      D. Apr. 23, 1996

Married Mar 22, 1967

Our Children: Staci, Christy, Wendy

And God Shall Wipe Away All Tears From Their Eyes;
And There Shall Be No More Death, Neither Sorrow,
Nor Crying, Neither Shall There Be Any More Pain;
For the Former Things Are Passed Away

Revelation 21:4


HENLEY, Sidney
  B. Nov. 23, 1917      D. Sept. 24, 1993

Military marker. Sidney Calhoun Henley 1st Sgt U.S. Army World War II

**** Son of Ray and Margaret Russell (sister to William Russell Sr.) Henley. Brothers, John of Mulkeytown, Tom Henley of Benton. Sisters, Peggy Henley of Route 2 Mulkeytown, Sandy Henley (Kenneth Munday), Allen Henley, half brother Major Millard Valierus. Fishing scene on stone.

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HENLEY, Ruthetta
  B. May 27, 1934      D. (No date)

CREMOSTRATE, Alma P.
  B. March 5, 1939      D. (No date)

**** Nee Bradley.

CREMOSTRATE, James F.
  B. August 20, 1906    D. Nov. 21, 1986

**** Son of Nicholes and Stella V. Vaselokos Cremostrate, born in Beloit, Wisconsin. Sisters: Cass Cremostrate (Amongas), Helen Cremostrate (Reynolds), Bessie Cremostrate (Boudreaux). One sister preceded him in death. Died at Herrin Hospital.

SECTION IV, ROW 2

ALLEN, Patricia A.
  B. (No date)          D. (No date)

ALLEN, Lloyd L.
  B. (No date)          D. (No date)

**** Son of Carl Allen and Ida Isom.

ALLEN, Lannis “Lanny”
  B. Sept 6, 1952       D. Dec. 23, 1995
BRUBAKER, John F.  In God’s Care  B. Dec 9, 1903         D. May 17, 1997
Military Marker: Cpl US Army  World War II

****  Son of Kenneth L. and Vivian Lewis.  Killed in auto accident.

LEWIS, Vivian L.  Mother  B. Dec. 20, 1932             D. (No date)

LEWIS, Kenneth L.  Father  B. Aug. 29, 1929            D. (No date)
****  Son of Thurman and Verna Graham Lewis.

ATCHISON, Kent  B. Apr. 29, 1933         D. Apr. 25, 2001
+
ATCHISON, Carol “Jeanie”  B. Feb. 20, 1947          D. (No date)

COCKRUM, Ellen L.  B. Dec 28, 1944             D. (No date)
+
COCKRUM, Noble L.  B. Oct. 6, 1937             D. Sept. 3, 1977

Married June 22, 1963

COCKRUM, Noble L.  Married June 22, 1963


"Andi"
****  Died at Carbondale Memorial Hospital after a car accident.  Daughter of Shirley Bradley.  Photograph of smiling young woman.

BRADLEY, Shirley M.  Mother  B. Nov. 20, 1944            D. (No date)

****  Daughter of Robert and Elsie Kirkpatrick Bradley. Two daughters, Andrea Lee and Sheryl Lynn (Rodriquez) of Hemet, California.

BRADLEY, David Raymond  B. July 11, 1957            D. Nov. 9, 1989


STOCKTON, Ella  B. Aug. 14, 1915           D. (No date)

****  Daughter of Clarence Edward Barton, Sr, and Suzanna (Susie) Vandekerkhove Barton. Siblings: Tressie Barton (Alfred Piper), May Barton (John T. Sowers)Alan Taylor)(George Whorral), Catherine Mary Barton (died September 7, 1924), Clarence Barton, Jr. (Mary Cypher).
STOCKTON, Ralph

B. June 23, 1912 D. August 23, 2002

**** Son of Hayes and Rachel Bates Stockton. Siblings: Noble Stockton (Grace Galloway)(Goldie Inabnit Grob), Freda Stockton (Royal Montgomery)(Grant Hibanks), Nora Stockton (Marion Taylor), Mae Stockton (William Isenhart), Sadie Stockton (Wathan Robinson), Martha (died 1925), Floyd (died 1918), Alice (Robert H. Bradley).

Obituary: “Ralph Stockton, the son of the late Hayes and Rachel Bates Stockton, was born in Sesser, Illinois on June 23, 1912, and passed away at the home of his daughter in Dexter, Missouri on August 23, 2002, at the age of 90 years and 2 months. Mr. Stockton had lived in Sesser and Benton, Illinois most of his life and moved to Dexter four years ago. He was a retired Coal Miner and had also worked for the Mars Candy Co in the 1940s. He was a member of the First Church of God in Dexter, Missouri and the United Mine Workers of America. He had a simple view of the world: there were certain things that were right and you did them, and there were certain things that were not right and you did not do them. His life was characterized by devotion to family, loyalty to friends, commitment to hard work, and involvement in his church. He was the last of his generation, and he will be missed by many friends and family. On June 6, 1938, he was married to Ella Barton in Benton, Illinois. Surviving are his wife: Ella Stockton of Dexter, Missouri, one son: Ronald Stockton of Dearborn, Michigan, one daughter: Dee Patterson of Dexter, Missouri, eight grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. Other relatives and many friends also survive. He was preceded in death by two brothers and six sisters: Nora Taylor, Alice Bradley, Noble Stockton, Martha Stockton, Mae Isenhart, Floyd Stockton, Freda Eubanks, and Sadie Robinson. Friends may call at the Hobbs-Johnson Funeral Home in Benton, Illinois after 12:30 PM on Sunday August 25, 2002. Funeral services will be at 2:30 PM on Sunday August 25, 2002, at the Hobbs-Johnson Funeral Home in Benton, Illinois with the Rev. Rick Patterson of Dexter, Missouri officiating. Interment will follow in the Horse Prairie Cemetery near Sesser, Illinois with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of all local arrangements. Memorials may be made to the First Church of God, 501 N. Catalpa, Dexter, Mo. 63841.”

SECTION IV, ROW 4

LOUCKS, James

B. April 4, 1936 D. 1999

**** Son of Emro and Clara Helen Mowbray Loucks. Brothers, Carson Loucks (Nellie), Carl Loucks (Zettler), Harold Loucks, Dean Loucks (Barbara Huffstutler), Mary Loucks (Ernest R. Panzier), Velma (Ellery Loucks), Ruth Loucks (Harold Zettler), Dorothy Marie (Theodore Joseph Panzier).

+ LOUCKS, Mona

B. Jan. 25, 1940 D. April 8, 1994


ANGUS, Martha

B. Jan. 10, 1921 D. (No date)


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ANGUS, Chester A. B. July 24, 1911 D. Oct. 24, 1985
**** Son of John and Teddy Wilson Angus, born in Parkersburg, West Virginia. Children: Chester Angus (Jo Ann Casenilli), Bobby Angus (Mary Unknown), Gary Angus (Nancy C. McKinney). Daughter: Judy Angus (Greenwalt). Sisters: Bertie Angus (Breedlove), Gladys Angus (Polley).

SECTION IV, ROW 5

ROBBINS, Zelma V. B. April 3, 1921 D. (No date)
Married Nov. 28, 1938
**** Daughter of Clyde Vaughn and Pearl Spann. Married Nov. 28, 1938.
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SECTION IV, ROW 6

BAKER, Robert B. Sept. 18, 1922 D. June 22, 1993
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BAKER, Winifred Sue B. Jan. 17, 1930 D. (No date)
**** Nee Hislip.

Additional Notes by Clara Crocker Brown

Louisa Bell Harmon, daughter of Alfred Harmon and Martha Evelyn Clinton married first Marion Norris and second James Stince Peterson. According to Harmon book she is buried in Horse Prairie Cemetery, but don't locate stone. Marion Norris born 1869. Don't believe she was buried there. No Clintons or Harmons or Petersons buried in this cemetery.

Obituary says Mrs. O.C. Walker died at home of Raymond Graham Friday (paper dated 8-30-1926), age 52 yrs, left husband and several children. Funeral at Horse Prairie Church by Rev. Cyrus Maulding. Body was laid to rest in the cemetery at that place. She was buried in Maple Hill Cemetery.
SECTION V
SECTION V, ROW 1

MINOR, Carlos V. B. Dec. 22, 1922 D. (No date)
**** Son of Jesse W. and Mary E. Sulcer Minor.

MINOR, Mary E. B. Sept. 1, 1906 D. March 12, 1970
**** Mary Ellen Sulcer.(Daughter of Oscar Sulcer and Eva Mabus Sulcer) Children:
Melvin Minor (Eva Hammonds), Carlos Minor (never married), Mary Lou Minor
(Norman Toney). A half
+
MINOR, Jesse W. B. March 7, 1903 D. Nov. 17, 1977

Married April 15, 1950.
**** Died in St. Mary's Hospital in Centralia, Illinois. Daughter of Syble Roberson and Clarence
Hammond. Daughters; Patty Jean (Stevenson), Sandra Jane (Korosidis). At time of death 5
grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren.
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MINOR, Melvin Lee B. Jan. 12, 1925 D. (No date)

CURRY, Janice K. B. 1942 D. 1970
**** Janice Kay, daughter of John and Laura Taylor Harvey  Brothers: John D. Harvey,
Robert Harvey. Children: William Wayne Curry, Joann Curry (Hammonds). Killed in
+
CURRY, Jerome B. 1941 D. 1992
**** Son of Ruth Alma Whitlow and Scott Curry. Only child. Married second (Unknown).

**** Son of Donald Sneed and Imogene Atkins. Step father Kenneth Irvin. Brothers: Robert
Sneed, James Sneed. Colored picture of horse head on back of stone. In 2001, two little toy
horses sat on the base of the stone. In 2002 there were two small ceramic angels and a metal
horse.

**** Leonard Leroy Atkins died in Franklin Hospital, Benton, Illinois. He was son of Minor and
Della Bradley Atkins. Born in Franklin County, Illinois. Brothers and sisters; Don M. Atkins of
Benton, Dorothy Atkins (Smith), Lucille Atkins (Amberger) six other brothers and sisters
preceded him in death. Images of praying hands, fish, and rose on stone.
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ATKINS, Cora B. March 27, 1917 D. Oct. 31, 1996
**** Cora L. Atkins died at Fair Acre Nursing Home in DuQuoin. Daughter of Oscar and Hattie
Stubblefield Risley. Married Sept. 25, 1932 in Franklin County. Children: Glenda Atkins (John
C. Fornear) divorced, Imogene (Sneed)(Irving)(Novack), Theresa Atkins (Poole), Donald Atkins,
Hollis "Chuck" Atkins, Tom Atkins. 17 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, 3 great great
grandchildren. Four grandsons deceased: Michael Sneed, Donald L. Atkins Jr. (Pamela
Caldwell).
GALLOWAY, Nancy J.  B. April 11, 1907  D. March 26, 1995

GALLOWAY, Gilbert  B. Oct. 19, 1902 D. Sept. 13, 1995
Married July 29, 1928

SECTION V, ROW 2

HARVEY, John C.  B. 1913  D. 1997
**** Son of Dave Harvey and Minnie Davis (Allen). Brother, Felix Harvey, Mary Ethel Harvey (Montgomery), Ina Marie (Bocock), Nellie Mae (Sprag), Betty Lou Harvey. Half siblings: Austin Allen (Ida Marie Robinson), Reva Allen, Clarice (Nelson), Milton Allen (Daisy Dilliner),

HARVEY, Laura E.  B. 1913  D. 1987


TAYLOR, Albert E.  B. 1900  D. 1972

CURRY, Ruth Elma  B. 1915  D. 1990

CURRY, Grant Scott  B. 1912  D. 1990
**** Son of Newton Charles and Isabelle Weaver Curry was born May 14, 1912. Died October 24, 1990 Franklin Hospital, Benton, Illinois. Brothers and Sisters: Norman Curry (Lela Violet Sammons)(Ruby Harrison)(Ruby Taylor Jones), Nina Curry (Walter Gilliam), Houston Curry
(Martha Lance), Ella Curry (Huey Upton), Nora Curry (Alva Thompson), Leota Curry (Leo Presley), Zona Curry (Everett Whittington)

COCKRUM, Lewis A.  **Son**  B. 1946  D. (No date)
****  Son of Lewis and Merle Tolliver Cockrum.

COCKRUM, Merle M.  **Mother**  B. 1915  D. (No date)

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COCKRUM, Lewis S.  **Father**  B. 1915  D. 1985

COCKRUM, Robert "Robbie"  "Ray Bob"  B. Oct. 1, 1960  D. March 26, 1986
**** Son of Robert and Eva Horn (daughter of Sam and Isabel Horn of Browning, Montana) Cockrum.  Sisters, Marie Cockrum (Markle), Debra Cockrum (Sims), whose mother was Eva Horn.  Believe to be half sister, Jennifer Cockrum, Matthew Cockrum, their mother being Donna Spencer and step brother Spencer Gilbert, whose mother is Donna Spencer.

SECTION V, ROW 3

FROST, Leatta Curry  B. May 1, 1946  D. (No date)

FROST, Curtis Jr.  *Precious Lord Take My Hand*  B. March 10, 1928  D. April 12, 1993
Married Nov. 25, 1971  Military marker. Fn U.S. Navy

Note: This inventory is done from the oldest sections (those near the church) out.  The assumption is that as the cemetery adds graves, they will be in the newer areas.  From Frost out, there is mostly empty space but thirty-eight paces out, there is a plain stone marker.  It might or might not be an old grave.
APPENDICES

AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS
SOME POEMS

Every author knows you can put some material into a book just because you like it. I like poems and decided to put some into this book. While some of these are by world-class poets (Goldsmith and Moore) others are not the kinds of poems one would encounter in a university class on poetry. They are filled with nostalgia and that sense of loss one often encounters in a graveyard. All of us are temporary on this earth and have to work out for ourselves what is important and what is not. The graveyard is that place where the past, the present, and the future come together. It is the place where the rich and the poor lie side by side, where petty squabbles are forgotten, where everyone can receive a kind word. It is the place where dreams are buried (often in the form of a small child) and where elders are interred with reverence and appreciation. It is a place where we go in silence and loneliness and gratitude to commune with a lost child or friend or spouse. Walking through a graveyard, all of us recognize that there are people there who were better human beings than we are and whose lives were cut short much too early. A walk through a graveyard leaves us with a sense of joy and sadness, faith and doubt, certainty and confusion. These poems were each chosen for a reason. I hope you enjoy them.

Prayer For a Very New Angel. This graveyard is filled with children. This poem is in their honor, and in honor of those who had to give them up.

Goldsmith and Moore. Many people reach a ripe old age and approach death with a sense of peace and confidence that they have done their best. Some also give comfort to those left behind. A friend told me how she broke into tears when her mother revealed to her a terminal diagnosis that would soon take the mother’s life. The mother said to her, “Don’t cry. We all have our turn and this is just my turn.” That woman had incredible strength of character. These poems are in honor of such people. May we remember them and be like them as our own turn approaches.
The Bridge Builder. The British writer Graham Greene wrote that you can often tell how well a society is governed by the condition of its graveyards. A people who do not know how to look after the dead, he observed, will not know how to look after the living. A society cannot thrive or a heritage be preserved unless there are people willing to give without receiving. Horse Prairie Cemetery is beautifully maintained by people who get little in return beyond the sense of doing the right thing. This poem, a popular favorite from the past, is included to honor not only those who give time and money for the maintenance of this graveyard but also to honor those local historians and genealogists who spend endless hours compiling information so that the past can be preserved, our ancestors can be respected, and future generations can draw strength by knowing they are not alone on this earth but that those who went before them are still a part of their lives and are guiding them to a better humanity.

Memory. Those who move away and leave behind the security of family and friends and locale know the mixed sense of loss and joy that comes in returning to a place at once familiar and yet strange. Such people see on gravestones the names of friends and relatives who went ahead. Often they see a stone that they did not know was there and remember that person from times past, perhaps even in youth. At the age of 37, Abraham Lincoln returned to his boyhood home, having been away for 20 years. His poem expresses with great insight the sentiments of such people.
Prayer For a Very New Angel
Violet Alleyn Storey

God, God, be lenient her first night there.
   The crib she slept in was so near my bed;
Her blue-and-white wool blanket was so soft,
   Her pillow hollowed so to fit her head.

Teach me that she’ll not want small rooms or me
When she has You and Heaven’s immensity!

I always left a light out in the hall.
   I hoped to make her fearless in the dark;
And yet, she was so small—one little light,
   Not in the room, it scarcely mattered. Hark!

No, no; she seldom cried! God, not too far
For her to see, this first night, light a star!

And in the morning, when she first woke up,
   I always kissed her on her left cheek where
The dimple was. And oh, I wet the brush.
   It made it easier to curl her hair.

Just, just tomorrow morning, God, I pray,
When she wakes up, do things for her my way!

Untitled Poem
Oliver Goldsmith

In all my wanderings round this world of care,
In all my griefs, and God has given me my share,
I still had hopes my latest hours to crown,
Amid these humble bowers to lay me down,
To husband out life’s taper to its close,
And keep the flame from wasting by repose.

Round my fire an evening group to draw,
And tell of all I felt and all I saw,
And, as a hare whom hounds and horns pursue,
Pants to the place from whence at first he flew,
I still had hopes, my long vacations past,
Here to return, and die at home at last.
Oft in the Stilly Night

Thomas Moore

Ere slumber’s chains have bound me,
Fond memory brings the light
    Of other days around me;
The smiles, the tears,
    Of boyhood years,
The words of love then spoken;
    The eyes that shone
Now dimmed and gone
    The cheerful hearts now broken.

The Bridge Builder

Will Allen Dromgoogle

An old man, going a lone highway,
Came at the evening, cold and gray,
To a chasm, vast and deep and wide,
Through which was flowing a sullen tide,
The old man crossed in the twilight dim—
That sullen stream had no fear for him;
But he turned, when he reached the other side,
And built a bridge to span the tide.

“Old man,” said a fellow pilgrim near,
“You are wasting strength in building here.
Your journey will end with the ending day;
You never again must pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide,
Why build you the bridge at the eventide?”

The builder lifted his old grey head.
“Good friend, in the past I have come,” he said,
“There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way.
This chasm that has been naught to me
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.
He, too must cross in the twilight dim;
Good friend, I am building the bridge for him.”
Memory
Abraham Lincoln

My childhood’s home I see again,
   And sadden with the view;
And still, as memory crowds my brain,
   There’s pleasure in it, too.

Near twenty years have passed away
   Since here I bid farewell
To woods and fields, and scenes of play
   And playmates loved so well.

O memory! Thou midway world
   ‘Twixt erth and paradise,
Where things decayed and loved ones lost
   In dreamy shadows rise,

Where many were, but few remain
   Of old familiar things,
But seeing them to mind again
   The lost and absent brings.

And freed from all that’s earthly, vile,
   Seem hallowed, pure and bright,
Like scenes in some enchanted isle
   All bathed in liquid light.

The friends I left that parting day,
   How changed, as time has sped!
Young childhood grown, strong manhood
   And half of all are dead.

As dusky mountains please the eye
   When twilight chases day;
As bugle notes that, passing by,
   In distance die away;

I hear the loved survivors tell
   How nought from death could save,
Till every sound appears a knell
   And every spot a grave.

As, leaving some grand waterfall,
   We, lingering, list its roar---
So memory will hallow all
   We’ve known but know no more.

I range the fields with pensive tread,
   And pace the hollow rooms,
And feel (companion to the dead)
   I’m living in the tombs.
Death on the Frontier
Mortality Patterns in Horse Prairie Cemetery
Franklin County, Illinois
1840-2002

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Looking back to the 19th century, it is hard to imagine how profoundly difficult it was to survive on the frontier. In many cases, the soil was unbroken, the swamps undrained, diseases rampant, and medical care scarce or non-existent. Death was a constant, if unwelcome, companion. Reconstructing those days is not easy, but a walk through an early cemetery reveals a time of struggle and tragedy, and of dreams unfulfilled. This is the story of one cemetery and of the tales that it tells.

Horse Prairie cemetery near Sesser in Franklin County was established in the 1840s. Its name comes from an early place name. Today it is a churchyard cemetery associated with the Horse Prairie Baptist Church which sits next to it, although this is not the original location of the congregation and the cemetery is managed by an independent, non-sectarian governing board not connected to the church.³ Horse Prairie is a lovely cemetery, sitting on a modest hill surrounded by farmland.

The oldest grave in the cemetery is that of Bailey Fitzgerrell who died at the age of two in 1840. The most recent grave in the study is that of Ralph Stockton (father of this writer) who died in August, 2002. There are 829 known graves in the cemetery, 683 of which have both birth and death dates.⁴ This paper is an analysis of those 683

² The author wishes to thank his wife Jane Stockton for editorial and data assistance, his colleagues Martin Hershock and Gerald Moran for their insights into the historical context within which the cemetery emerged, Benton Library local historian Mary Eubanks for her assistance, and especially Clara Crocker Brown for her devoted work in documenting the cemeteries of the area and the genealogies of the people in them.

³ The congregation was founded in 1856. Its official history says its early meetings were in a nearby schoolhouse. The land for the graveyard was donated by a local farmer. The minutes of the congregation make occasional reference to the graveyard so it appears to have been managed by the congregational governing body. While there are two graves in the cemetery from the 1840s, the frequency of interment begins to increase in the mid-1850s. Since one family moved some graves from their farm to the cemetery, it is possible that the graveyard was not officially opened before 1856. See Reverend Freddie Niebel and Joyce Cox, Clerk, History of Horse Prairie Baptist Church, 1965-1981 (Privately published, 1981). Available at the congregation.

⁴ In the year 2001 during my sabbatical, I compiled an inventory of the graves in Horse Prairie Cemetery where many of my family are buried only to discover that Clara Crocker Brown, an amateur historian and genealogist, had generated a much more thorough inventory prior to my effort. Brown had done two things I had not done. First, she had located family or other information on 646 of those in the cemetery, producing a rich work of exceptional interest to families and to future genealogists. Second, she had been able to identify many of the unmarked graves where stones had broken or fallen down. While there are still quite a few graves whose inhabitants are unknown, her persistence increased the number of known graves
graves. There are two limitations on this data: the death patterns are only loosely linked to the population base from which they are drawn, and there is no information on the cause of death. Still, the pattern of burial itself gives insight into the nature of life and death in an earlier time. It is also possible to contextualize the cemetery in terms of historical, medical, and demographic trends, thus compensating in part for the two limitations on the data.

**Historical Setting of the Cemetery**

Today Franklin County is easily accessible via Route 57 but in the first half of the nineteenth century it was very much an area of new and ongoing settlement. Southern Illinois began as a colony of Virginia, having been captured during the Revolutionary War by George Rogers Clark and a Virginia-based army. The earliest permanent settlers arrived around 1812 but not until the 1840s had a sufficient number of people arrived to incorporate a town. By then the current boundaries of the county were finalized (with the southern half broken away in 1839 to form Williamson county). Barren township, within which the cemetery is located, was a rural area in the northwest corner of the county. Horse Prairie appears to be the first cemetery in the township, although there were surely now-forgotten private burial sites on farms. Within buggy distance (including the adjoining Goode township) there were only two

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5 For the early history of the county see H. M. Aiken, *Franklin County History: Centennial Edition* (Franklin County Centennial Committee, 1918) and Marsoen Moore Aiken, *Springs Settlement (Browning Township), Franklin County, Illinois, 1812-1872* (Privately published, 1998). Both are available at the Benton Library. Aiken (1998) is also available at the Illinois State Historical Library.

6 The early settlers in southern Illinois had several characteristics: 2/3 were of southern stock, half born in five states (Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland, and Georgia) and half coming immediately from four states (Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio, and Indiana). Those from the coastal states came from the hilly, interior backcountry rather than the coastal tidewater areas. Ethnically most were of Scotch-Irish background rather than English. Many were migratory so that over half had made moves before coming to Illinois. See Solon J. Buck with an introduction by Allan Nevins, *Illinois In 1818*. Second Edition (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1967), 97-102.

7 There was no custom of creating identifiable family sections as one might find in a New England or Georgia cemetery. There are a few rows where families bought several four-grave lots to cluster their burials but these are not set off in any way and do not leap out at the eye. Sometimes these clusters are marked by a large stone with the family name surrounded by individual stones with specific names. This appears to be an individual choice and not a shared social norm.
other cemeteries in the 1800s with more than a few graves and they are significantly smaller. In 1911 the city of Sesser opened the beautiful Maple Hill Cemetery just on the outskirts of the town and many people came to prefer that location over the more rural-pastoral setting of Horse Prairie. Maple Hill is today the cemetery of choice for most residents but in the nineteenth century and part of the twentieth, Horse Prairie was the major cemetery in the township. Its graves drew from the general population and most likely represented the overall pattern of burial in the community.

In typical frontier pattern, Franklin county was settled disproportionately by young men and young families. Of the 3,678 county residents in 1840, 80% were under 30 years of age and only 11% were forty or above (see Table 1). This was a society with few of what we would know as venerated grandparents. The gender ratio reflected a similar imbalance. Of the county population under 15, the male-female ratio was nearly equal at 100:101. But among older groups the proportion of migrants was

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8 The two relevant townships (Goode and Barren) had eight other known graveyards in the nineteenth century. Six (Bear Point, Youngblood, Jones, Robinson, Crain, and Browning Hill) are small cemeteries with a combined total of just over 120 graves. Only two cemeteries have over 100 graves. Hammond cemetery, not close to Horse Prairie but within the county, started in 1846 and has 104 graves. Mitchell Cemetery, started in 1867, has just over 400 graves. Mitchell and Hammond are still open but with few recent burials. In 1996 Maple Hill had around 4,300 graves. Source: Clara A. Crocker Brown, Tombstone Inscriptions and Family Records, Maple Hill Cemetery, Goode Township, Sesser, Franklin County, Illinois, August 31, 1996 (Privately published, 1996). The data on other cemeteries are based on Brown’s research, much of it unpublished.


10 Other studies confirm the tendency of young families and single young men to migrate in groups. Faragher describes how “kin associations” of brothers and cousins moved into central Illinois. See John Mack Faragher, Sugar Creek. Life on the Illinois Prairie (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1986), 53-60. Sometimes a father would lead several adult children and their families into the new land. Survival and success were the motives for association. In Faragher’s Sugar Creek community, eight of ten heads of households there from census to census were found physically close to relatives. Doyle notes that in Morgan County in 1850 there were 114 males per 100 females for those above 15 years of age. See Don Harrison Doyle, The Social Order of a Frontier Community. Jacksonville, Illinois 1825-70 (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1978), 265. Even more dramatic, in Jacksonville (the only city in Morgan county), nearly 40% of adult males were single (Ibid., 110). Occasionally young men would arrive in groups to prepare the land before bringing out families or getting married. Faragher (op cit., 57) says such men lived as “semi-barbarians” until their farms were established. Another useful study is Charles Boewe, Prairie Albion. An English Settlement in Pioneer Illinois (Carbondale: Southern Illinois Press, 1962). Smith says that the first eleven settlers in Franklin County were seven Jordan brothers, two Browning brothers and two individual men who arrived in 1804. See George Washington Smith, A History of Southern Illinois. A Narrative account of its Historical Progress, its People, and its Principal Interests. Volume I (Chicago: The Lewis Publishing Company, 1912), 465. 1804 is an earlier date for the first settlement than the 1812 figure cited in the text. In Barren township, the first settler arrived in 1813 (Aiken, 1918, op. cit.: 75).
sufficiently high that the gender ratio shifted in a male direction. Of those 15-39, the male margin was 7.6%; from 40-69 it was 14.5%; and at 70 and up it was 23.7%.

Table 1. Age pattern in the State of Illinois and Franklin County (percentage)\textsuperscript{11}

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Interestingly, the demographic pattern in Franklin County roughly paralleled that of the state as a whole, and the change across time was dramatic. A frontier region in 1840, by 1900 the state was fully settled and by the 1950s it was a part of the modern world. The population makeup reflected these changes. Take for example, the percentage of the state population under age 24. In 1840, it was 77.1 percent, in 1900 51.9 percent, and in 1950 37.6 percent. On the other end of the demographic scale, the pattern was equally distorted in the early years. The percent who were 45 and up in 1840 was a shockingly low 2.2 percent. By 1900 the figure was a more healthy 17.3 percent and in 1950 it was 31.3 percent. Similar changes occurred with the gender ratios. In 1840 the state had a ratio of 1.17 in favor of males. By 1900, the ratio was 1.05, and by 1940 it was at parity. The population became “normal” across time.

**Health Patterns in the Nineteenth Century**

In terms of health patterns, the nineteenth century was a time of high mortality compounded by exceptional poverty, poor sanitation, and inadequate medical treatment.

\textsuperscript{11} State data were adapted from *Historical Statistics of the United States. Colonial Times to 1970, Part I* (U.S. Department of Commerce, 1976), 27. County data were extracted by the author from the transcribed census (Frank Rademacher and Carol Rademacher, *1840 United States Census of Franklin County, Illinois* (Privately printed, undated). Available at Brehm Library, Mt. Vernon. Note that the age categories are slightly different for Franklin County.
The first few decades in an area of new settlement were particularly harsh. Food was scarce and wet areas produced disease. Epidemics such as influenza, pneumonia, diphtheria, scarlet fever, and typhoid took a deadly toll. In Franklin County, the health pattern was a mix of good and bad. According to the 1850 and 1860 federal Mortality Enumeration of county residents who had died in the previous year (the 1840 Enumeration appears to be lost), the number of deaths in those two years totaled 159 persons, 51 in 1850 and 108 in 1860. The comments of the Enumerators showed the variable circumstances of the area’s health. The 1850 Enumerator noted that the area was “extremely healthy” without “any prevalent malady or epidemic,” but an 1860 Enumerator had a different perspective: “This climate is very changeable, the consequence is that there is a great many cases of consumption which of course is always fatal. The Cholera Infantum and Croup among children are generally fatal; there is some chills and fever that is not often fatal. Typhoid Fever and what is called milk sickness are some what Prevalent in this county and are generally fatal to a considerable extent.”

In analyzing the data from these two disparate years, one cannot help but note that 49% of the 158 deaths for which there was an age listed were children under five and 61% were under ten. A full 24% died within the first year of their lives. Predictably (considering the demographic imbalance) few were in the older categories with only 16% (26) being forty or above. Ten of those 26 were between 40 and 59, fifteen were between 60 and 79, and only one was above that age at 95. By gender, 82 males died and 74 females, an 11% differential. This reflects in part the overall gender imbalance. However, the exceptional proportion of deaths among small children—where the gender ratio was close to parity—suggests that this is not entirely an artifact of demographics.

Regarding the stated cause of death, five general clusters of illness accounted for 61% of all fatalities (96 of 158). Various kinds of fever took 44 persons (12 from

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Typhoid, 8 from Scarlet Fever, and 24 from a generic “fever” without further explanation); croup and Whopping Cough took 28; dehydrating conditions such as diarrhea, cholera, and flux took 14; various lung conditions including tuberculosis took 10. In lesser numbers five died of pneumonia, three females died in childbirth or of “childbed fever,” and two persons died in accidents. At a time when death was more a mystery than today, 21 died suddenly or of unknown causes. Most of the rest died of a mix of conditions including jaundice, chills, hives, neuralgia and fits. Given that few of these people ever saw a doctor (or that any doctor they saw would probably be less well trained than a modern nurse) many of the attributed causes of death are hard to decipher a hundred and fifty years later. What we can say with confidence is that few of these people would have died today of those same conditions.

The Growth of the Cemetery

Turning to Horse Prairie, the first column of data in Table 2 (reporting total burials) reflects not only the growth of the cemetery but the growth of the community. In the first three decades of the cemetery’s operation, there were only 28 burials. In the 1870s the number jumped to 26, a figure that increased each decade until it peaked at 66 in the 1910s. After 1911 the area continued to increase in population but Maple Hill became the public cemetery of choice, especially for the small community of Polish and Italian immigrants who came to work in the coal mines.¹⁴

In the post-World War II period there was also a decline in the population, primarily because of the closing of several mines. Sesser’s population peaked at 3,000 after World War I, dropped to 2,100 in 1950 and then fell to 1,500 in 1960. Only in the later decades of the century did it return to 2,100. During this time of decline, young

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¹⁴ In 1904 the county had one mine that produced 4,240 tons of coal. In 1911 it had fourteen mines with 3,732 employees and produced 2,354,839 tons (Smith, op. cit., 468).
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*If we combine the first three decades of the cemetery’s existence, when the total number of burials were small, deaths under ten were 18 of 28 or 64%. Even with small numbers, these high percentages indicate how harsh life was in the early years. Most likely the quality of food, housing, and even health care went up over time. In the 1850 Mortality Schedule, there was one doctor among the deceased, so we know that something resembling scientific medicine had arrived in the community by that year.

people often left for other places seeking jobs. Many were inevitably buried in their new homes. Still, several graves in the cemetery are of people who “returned” to their roots for burial, and a few stones identify a local person whose body lies elsewhere. The general trend, however, seems to be that the people buried here are those who remained in the area or at least retained strong ties with the community.¹⁵

¹⁵ Historians are very interested in the question of persistence, whether individuals remain in the same place or move on. Buck, *op. cit.*, 102 observed of the early settlers that “Few sons were born in the same locality that their fathers had been; few men died near where they had been born.” We have no specific information on this topic, but two bits of evidence suggest that those buried in this cemetery are long-term residents who exhibited more stable settlement pattern that broke with historic trends. First, there are a high number of persons from the same families, families still in the community today. Only 31 surnames in the cemetery are single appearances and almost all have known ties to local families who buried their dead in other graveyards. Second, in doing genealogical background research, Brown had less than ten named graves for which she could not generate either information or a link to other family members through common surnames. Most of her genealogical information was gathered from obituaries housed in the Good-Barren Historical Society offices in Sesser or from persons in the community who could identify even the early burials and considered those individuals to be relatives about whom they knew something. While there were surely transients who came and left without a trace, the trend seems in the opposite direction. In a time of exceptional mobility, this graveyard reflects a high level of community stability and residential persistence.
Infant Mortality Over Time

One of the key patterns in the cemetery is that of infant death. While we know that death is an inevitable part of life, we also know that death is often a social phenomenon, the product of conditions and circumstances that can change over time. The Psalmist says humans have a normal adult life span of three score and ten, but many in Horse Prairie never got to enjoy their seventy allotted years. The second and third columns of Table 2 show the tragic pattern of child death. Even with a high proportion of the population in the younger categories, the numbers are striking. It was the Greek historian Herodotus who observed 2,500 years ago that it is normal for children to bury their parents but not normal for parents to bury their children.\(^\text{16}\) Herodotus was referring to the circumstances of war, but the observation is just as poignant if the killers are poverty, bad sanitation, poor health, and disease. These are conditions that bear particularly heavily upon the young. In the nineteenth century, the overall percentage of burials involving those who were under ten years of age was just below fifty percent (64 of 130). There was not a single decade in that century when the proportion fell below forty-five percent. It was a dangerous time to raise children.\(^\text{17}\)

But after the turn of the century a change began to occur. In the 1910s the percentage under ten fell slightly to forty-one percent, then accelerated dramatically downward. In the three decades starting with 1920, the overall proportion of youth deaths was only 25 percent of the total (35 of 142). There are several reasons for this decline, in addition to a demographic shift. Particularly important were reductions in poverty, an increase in education, improved sanitation, increases in personal hygiene, inoculations, pre-natal care, and public health programs. As Rothstein put it

Three fundamental changes were necessary to improve the health of the population. One was a higher standard of living to strengthen resistance to disease. This required better food, housing, and clothing, healthier home and work environments, lower birth rates, and a level of education that would enable people to understand and adopt the growing scientific knowledge about health care. The second change was improved public health measures by government to


\(^\text{17}\) Faragher (*op. cit.*, 95) reports that in Sangamon County in 1840 and 1850, children under five were 45-50 percent of all deaths. By contrast, Massachusetts in 1865 had a third of its deaths in that age range.
prevent diseases from infecting people. The third was effective clinical medicine,
for treatment of individual patients.\textsuperscript{18}

Nationally, the primary killers of the late nineteenth century were tuberculosis,
typhoid fever (linked to polluted water), diarrhea, enteritis (gastro-intestinal conditions
that produced dehydration and often death), and diphtheria. In 1900, the nine leading
causes of death accounted for 63 percent of all deaths. Rothstein notes that “Five of
them, mostly infectious diseases, had their greatest impact on the young. Influenza and
pneumonia were major causes of death among infants and very young children, as were
gastritis and enteritis, which were caused by bacteria-laden milk, water, and food.”\textsuperscript{19}
Table 3 illustrates the national pattern.

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\textbf{Table 3. Crude Death Rates by Cause, 1900-1991, for Leading Causes of Death in 1900}  \\
\text{(deaths per 100,000 population).}  \\
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1900 & 1930 & 1950 & 1991 \\
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All causes & 1719.1 & 1132.1 & 963.8 & 860.3 \\
Influenza & & & & \\
& & & & \\
Pneumonia & 202.2 & 102.5 & 31.5 & 30.9 \\
Tuberculosis & 194.4 & 71.1 & 22.5 & 0.7 \\
Gastritis & 142.7 & 26.0 & 5.1 & -- \\
Enteritis & & & & \\
Communicable Diseases of Childhood* & 75.4 & 14.8 & 1.5 & \\
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*Diphtheria, Scarlet Fever, Measles, Whooping Cough.

But in the early 1900s, government programs began to fight on behalf of the
public. In 1900 health education programs were created and soon spread to the schools.
The tuberculosis association was formed in 1904 to identify, isolate, and treat victims of
that often deadly condition. Finally in 1922 the American Medical Association, the
Public Health Departments and various private agencies began a systematic campaign of
public health education. Particularly important were pre-natal care for pregnant women,

\textsuperscript{18} William G. Rothstein, “Trends in Mortality in the Twentieth Century,” in William G.
Rothstein (ed.), \textit{Readings in American Health Care: Current Issues in Socio-Historical Perspective}

\textsuperscript{19} \textit{Ibid.}, 77.
education for the treatment of “runabout” children (from two to five), and preventive care for older children. The schools also began to offer health education to students, teaching such basic practices as personal cleanliness, healthy eating, first aid and home treatment, and sanitation. The twentieth century also saw the development of vaccines for diphtheria, tetanus and other killers.

The impact was dramatic. Careful attention by mothers to water purification and clean milk significantly reduced fatalities from enteritis and typhoid. Widespread inoculation against whooping cough and diphtheria, the deadly and much-feared child killers of the age, brought those diseases under control. While the death rate from diphtheria had been over nine per 100,000 in 1928, it dropped to 1.5 in 1936. Comparing the decade of the 1900s with the 1930s, the number of children buried in Horse Prairie dropped 54% (from 26 to 12) with only a nominal decline in the total number of burials.

In the aftermath of World War II the “miracle drug” of penicillin appeared. From then on a sickly child with a lingering cough generated a visit to the doctor, not a death watch. From 1950 to August, 2002 there were 290 burials in the cemetery. Only ten burials during that fifty-two year period were children under ten. Moreover, all but one of those child deaths took place before 1970. By contrast, there was not a single decade from 1870-1940 in which the number of child deaths did not exceed eleven. Of the most recent 176 burials, only one was a child.

That brings us to another pattern. While epidemics and childhood illnesses played a definite role in childhood death, thirty-seven infants in the cemetery appear to have died on the day of their birth or within twenty-four hours. They would definitely not have been subject to epidemic or other environmentally based conditions. Among the 164 children who died here, 93 were what the U. S. government classified as infant death, that is, they died within the first year of their life. Few of them lived beyond a few weeks. Only one of those infant deaths occurred after 1965. Modern medicine, access to hospital deliveries, and sanitation have by and large spared contemporary parents the scourge of infant death.

Most likely these 93 known infant mortalities understate the extent of infant death. We have in our inventory 67 graves with no stone or with just initials, and no record or other information regarding the deceased. Almost all of those stones are from
earlier decades in the history of the cemetery, at a time when nearly half of all deaths were children. While there were surely individuals who died in adulthood and left only a temporary wooden marker or a small stone, we can probably assume that most of these 67 graves are of infants. We know from other graves that it was common for parents to put a small marker with initials for a stillborn child or an infant. For some families (possibly those without means) there is a small unmarked stone, perhaps hand carved by the father. If we make an arbitrary (but reasonable) assumption that two-thirds of these sixty-seven unidentified deaths are neo-natal (within the first month of birth), then the figure for infant death (within one year) rises to 137 out of 231 childhood deaths or 59 percent of all deaths under ten.²⁰

Elderly Deaths

Looking at the opposite end of the demographic chart, we see an almost mirror image, but one with some interesting and distinctive traits of its own (Table 4). Again thinking of the biblical age of 70 as a “natural” life span for a healthy adult, we note that in the whole of the nineteenth century, when a total of 130 souls were interred in Horse Prairie, only nine (7 percent) were 70 years of age or older, and only one of those nine reached the venerable age of 90. In the first half of the twentieth century (from 1900 until 1950) there were 263 persons buried but only 55 (21 percent) reached the age of 70 and only five reached 90.

In the early decades of the cemetery’s existence, the percentage of the population in the upper age categories was artificially low because of the phenomenon of young-adult migration into the region. There were a few seniors among that migration but not enough to create a “normal” age distribution. This surely affected the age-at-burial pattern throughout the remainder of that century but it definitely would not explain the similar pattern in the first half of the twentieth century.

The other important factor in senior mortality was the fact that the older elements of the population were often as vulnerable as the younger ones to conditions such as

²⁰ When the author mentioned the 67 unmarked graves to Clara Brown, whose knowledge of graveyards is extensive, she immediately observed that “there are a lot of babies in that graveyard without markers.” Most likely, 2/3 is a modest estimate of the percent of those graves that contain infants.
influenza, pneumonia, and gastro-intestinal disorder. If it was hard to survive the first few years of life, it was equally difficult to make it to old age.

Table 4. Total number of burials, with indication of those seventy years or above.

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As the twentieth century progressed, however, the turnaround was dramatic (Table 5). From 1950 through the end of the inventory in 2002, there were 290 burials in the cemetery of which 196 or 68% were seventy or above and 109 or 37.6% were eighty or above. Before 1930 only one person made it to the 90s and before 1950 only six did. But from 1950 on there were 24. And while the numbers are small, the first person to reach the age of 100 died in 1995 and the second died in 2000. Clearly the chances of living to a ripe old age increased dramatically as the century wore on.

Table 5. Total buried per period and decade with number and percent 70 years or above

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Overall, there are 17% more males in this graveyard than females (Table 6). The 19th century data, especially in the first few decades of the cemetery’s existence, probably understate female risk by several percentage points because of the higher ratio of the general population who were male. Still, the pattern of male predominance in burials is sustained throughout all age groups except for two, which we will discuss in a moment. The highest male excess is among infants under 1 year of age. The pattern there is 31 boys to 20 girls, a ratio of 1.55. From ages 1 through 5 the number is 52-39 or a 1.33 ratio, and for ages 6-15 (with smaller numbers) the ratio is 1.54. Since small children would have been born in Franklin County and would have a “normal” gender distribution, there is clearly some risk in being a young boy. There is no working hypothesis for why this is true except for a known pattern that young boys appear to be systematically more vulnerable to life threatening conditions than young girls.

Table 6. Burial Patterns by Gender and Age at Death.

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Females dominate only one category, the 16-39 age range. In this group, 90 persons are buried in the cemetery, 52 females and 38 males, a ratio of 1.37. This female burial spike is almost certainly linked to the dangers of child bearing. Pregnant
women can experience hemorrhage, infection, and complications of birth, to name a few major problems. What is interesting is that the pattern does not extend into the 40s. Women continued bearing children beyond 39, perhaps even with higher risk, but there is no evidence of continuing female death.

However, if these are indeed birth-related deaths, there should be some tendency for them to be concentrated in high-risk time periods. When we locate these 90 deaths across time (Table 7), we find a surprising pattern, that the nineteenth century appears to be relatively less dangerous for women than the twentieth. In a sense this is counter-intuitive. We know that medical and health conditions improved in the twentieth century, facts that surely would have had a major impact on female health. However, there is another factor known to historians and demographers that may have influenced these trends, that in the nineteenth century there was a significant decline in fertility rates (the number of children born per female). The definitive work on this subject is that of Degler who notes that the fertility decline for white women was 50 percent between 1800 and 1900.21 This, he says, “is the single most important fact about women and the family in American history.” Contrary to generally accepted assumptions, “the decline in the size of households in rural areas was actually more precipitous than for urban and small-town families.” Again contrary to common assumptions, this pattern applied with equal impact to what he called “newly settled regions.”22 While the education of females was a definite factor, an equally significant factor was the decline in arable land. By way of explanation, Degler cites the conclusions of Richard Easterlin that parents wanted their children to settle nearby, but they did not want to subdivide their land. Hence if a son wanted to marry he had to buy land near home which was more expensive than land available to him in the West, so he married late or cut back on the number of children…[T]he close-knit, companionate nuclear family became the norm of American familial life…23

Put another way, cultural values (“a close-knit family, held together by ties of affection”) drove people to modify their personal behavior so as to accommodate to the

22 Ibid., 182.
23 Ibid., 185.
declining availability of cheap land. In terms of the current study, we cannot say for certain what impact these proven trends had upon mortality patterns, but there is no doubt that bearing five or six children rather than nine or ten would have reduced female risk and produced a lower rate of female death.

Table 7. Burials of those 16-39 at Four Historic Times

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There are two final categories that show an interesting gender pattern, and they are linked. Graves for those 80 or up are disproportionately female (66 males to 74 females, a ratio of 1.12). The reason, however, seems to lie in an earlier male disadvantage. In the 70-79 age category male graves predominate by 73-50, a ratio of 1.46. With men dying in such numbers in their 70s, it is not surprising that women dominate in higher categories. In fact, their domination extends to a separate category, the unoccupied grave. These graves have stones and names but no closing dates. There are 59 of these, of which 15 are reserved for men and 44 for women. Six of these appear to be pairs of plan-ahead living spouses, while the rest are single surviving spouses. If we remove the living pairs, this leaves 12 males and 41 females, a ratio of 3.42.

There are different ways to manipulate these figures. Combining those who died in their 70s with those who died at 80 or up produces a composite figure of 139 males and 124 females or a ratio of 1.12. Adding in the unoccupied graves shifts the numerical balance towards females with 151 males and 165 females or a ratio of 1.09. These figures are hard to interpret, but over the sixteen decades of the cemetery’s existence there does seem to be a systematic pattern towards men in burial frequency.

24 Ibid., 196.
Conclusions

These numbers—cold statistics that they are—reveal much about the human condition on the Illinois frontier. Today when we go to a funeral, it is usually for an elder, a grandparent or even a great grandparent. Contemporary funerals and the sermons that accompany them function primarily to honor those venerated seniors who lived long lives and to acknowledge and celebrate their achievements and the families they produced. Even in the midst of loss, we tend to rejoice and reminisce. In the nineteenth century, the graveside experience was very different. It was more often a tragedy, a small child struck down before it ever had a chance to leave its mark or perhaps even to have a name. Today it is an unusual event when parents have to bury a child. In the past, the intensity of loss was surely as great as it is today, but back then burying your children was a feared, expected and (in a statistical sense) even normal aspect of life.

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