

McDonald Cemetery Records, Eddy County, New Mexico
Seven Rivers Area.

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This information comes from the stones of the McDonald Cemetery. This Cemetery is located in the vicinity of Seven Rivers, NM. It is in a very remote desert region of central Eddy County. There is nothing around this cemetery except oil field tanks and wells, and one ranch. It is located on top of a small hill. Seven Rivers use to be known to have two cemetery's. This is one of them and the other has been moved to the City of Artesia, NM as a result of the Brantly Damn Project.

To get to this very interesting cemetery from Carlsbad, NM, get on Highway 285 at the North City Limits and go north for 15.3 miles. Turn at about mile marker 54 to the left (west). This will be a paved County Road 23 and is also known as Rock Daisy Road. Go south for 6 miles and turn left on a dirt road. There will be no markers or road signs. It will be just before a ranch house. Proceed 6 tenth of a mile coming to an intersection and continue to the right. Continue for another 6 tenths of a mile and come to another intersection and stay to the right again. Go another 1 tenth of a mile and you will come to another intersection, stay to the right and continue for another 3 tenths of a mile. At this intersection you will be able to see the cemetery to your left up on the small hill. Stay to the left and go for another 1 tenth of a mile and turn left and drive up to the cemetery gate. The GPS coordinates are 32 degrees, 35.316N and 104 degrees, 30.454W.

It's most interesting to see families in this cemetery. Many are brothers and sisters that died at the same time or within months of each other. It could have been a natural disaster or illness or some accident.

As with many old cemeterys in Eddy Co., there are several unmarked sites. Some have markers that cannot be read and some have only a rock marker. Some have no marker but you can clearly see that there is a burial site. These sites are listed in about the same place as found, as far as who is buried next to each other, most sites are marked, so.....

In Memory of the unknown and:

Kroeger, Paul Aug 21, 1850 to May 22, 1912

McGonagill, P.W. Dec 24, 1830 to Jan 6, 1911

Hines, Thomas June 27, 1836 to Dec 26, 1898

Brogdon, Cleo Mar 4, 1888 to Oct 23, 1891

Brogdon, Archey July 23, 1885 to Oct 16, 1891

Segrest, R.P. May 16, 1840 to Nov 26, 1916. Erected by Tom Runyan and on the concrete slab over the site is scribed "erected by Mrs. Tom Runyan"

Segrest, Mrs. A.V. Mar 21, 1854 to July 1886

Getzwiller, Laura Aug 24, 1882 to Feb 4, 1911. Wife of Joe Getzwiller.

Wilder, Roxie July 23, 1907 to Jan 18, 1911. Daughter of H.H. & L.R. Wilder.

Corn, Martin V. May 28, 1894 to July 8, 1895. Son of Peter & Mary S. Corn.

Two footmarkers for this site have "M.V.C." and "L.F.C."

Murrah, Richard Cec 10, 1848 to Mar 15, 1914

Murrah, N.A. Nov 1, 1851 to Sept. 19, 1912. Wife of R. Murrah.

Brogdon, H.B. Jan 25, 1865 to Dec 29, 1904. Erected by R.P. Segrest.

Sassin, Victor E. Jan 24, 1890 to Dec 12, 1897

M.W. Fanning Apr 27, 1855 to Nov 26, 1913

Fanning Mary M. Jan 24, 1827 to Apr 25, 1921. Born in Johnson Co., Illinois.

Nelson, Charles W. 1881 to 1938, beloved son of William T. and Mary Nelson.

Nelson (scribed in a small stone with no other information)

Nelson, John H. Nov 31, 1879 to Nov 21, 1897, beloved son of William T. and Mary Nelson.

Nelson, Thomas W. Jan 21, 1874 to Apr 2, 1908, beloved son of William T. and Mary Nelson.

Nelson, W.T. (William T.)Feb 20, 1848 to Sept. 25, 1917.

Nelson, Mary E. (Fanning) 1854 to 1944. Born in Illinois, married William T.

Nelson. Settled in Seven Rivers in 1879, had the largest Horse Ranch in New Mexico.

Cook, Lucinda J. Jan 20, 1859 to Jan 11, 1901

Cook, James C. Sept. 6, 1847 to June 11, 1912

Larremore, John Sept. 5, 1813 to Dec 31, 1895

McDonald, Mary A. Aug 8, 1885 to June 9, 1886 (Daughter of R.L. and A.E. McDonald)

McDonald, Elizabeth A. May 6, 1894 to Feb 15, 1895, (Daughter of R.L. and A.E. McDonald)

McDonald, Joseph L. Oct 15, 1890 to Jan 15, 1895, (son of R.L. and A.E. McDonald)

McDonald, William O. June 9, 1879 to Aug 9, 1895, (son of R.L. and A.E. McDonald)

JHN (Small marker, these initials are almost gone and may not be accurate)

Larremore Amanda E. Feb 10, 1854 to Nov 17, 1905. Wife of R.L. McDonald.

McDonald, Robert Lafayette Mar 11, 1844 to Feb 9, 1929

McDonald, C.R. "Raymond" Dec 1, 1932 to Jan 25, 1998

Howell, Dale Elliott June 2, 1957 to Oct 1, 1997

Howell, Infant Daughter of J.E. and Viola Howell May 1, 1925

Howell, James Edward Mar 27, 1889 to July 18, 1983

Howell, Viola G. Adams Jan 12, 1897 to Apr 14, 1988

Howell, James Howard (son) Sept. 24, 1926 to Nov. 5, 2002

Blevens, William M. Aug 13, 1870 to May 25, 1912

Rust, Albert Rueben "Slim" July 6, 1930 to June 31, 1981

Rust, Frances Geneva Jan 6, 1934 to June 13, 1984

Sims, Mathew P. 1850 to 1926

Mann, Mahale 1855 to 1931

Mann, Harrison 1856 to 1935

Mann, French 1880 to 1905

Harrison, Martha (no dates)

Harrison, Sam H. (no dates)
Mann, Willard, 1911 to 1917