INFORMANT: MRS. CLARA WARD ROBINSON, CHEROKEE

BUSHYHEAD, ROGERS COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

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BRIEF INTRODUCTION

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PART II

(March 25, 1969. Today I'm visiting with Clara Ward Robinson an eighty year old Cherokee of Bushyhead, Roger's county, Oklahoma. Mrs. Robinson talks about the early days of this Bushyhead community, of its peoples, and its places.)

EARLY DAY CEMETERIES

Little baby from a family of people passing through the country.

(UL ruh)

And it died and they put a grave up. It was the first grave in the cemetery.

So last year, all the people went together, donated enough to buy it a stone

(Uh-huh)

But Mrs. All Greeson was the instigator of that.

(Uh-huh)

You know Al died.

(Yes ma am)

And she grieved (word not clear). But that was really the start of that cemetery.

(Well, and do you recall the name of the --)

No. It was unknown.

About what was that, about what year?)

I think it was about 1875 or 76 around there. I don't know. They've got it on the stone.

(Yes ma'am.

And then the Willisams that was my family. They began burying there and my grandfather is buried there, but and his sister is buried there.