

BUCHANAN, JAMES S. CEMETERIES--CREEK.

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BURIAL GROUND FORM
 WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION
 Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

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Field worker's name Jas. S. Buchanan--Carl R. Sherwood

This report made on (date) June 14 1937

Name (if any) of burial ground Roley McIntosh

Founded (date) About 1833 By Roley McIntosh

Abandoned (date) about 1870 why abandoned. _____

Present owners of premises Ben Martin

Address of present owners Muskogee, Oklahoma

NOTE: Answer fully, if possible, questions 5 to 13 inclusive, here or on sheets firmly attached to this form.

1. Original owners of premises. Roley McIntosh
2. Give names of other persons who at one time owned the premises.
3. Approximate number of graves. conditions prevent estimate
4. Approximate number of marked graves two.
5. General condition of headstones, including inscriptions. good
6. Number of inscriptions copied and attached. two (Place each inscription on a separate sheet and attach all to this form)
7. Any other information you were able to gather about the burial ground including its history. see sheet two
8. Condition of the premises neglected
9. Detailed location of burial ground. Three miles northwest of Wybark
10. Legal location of burial ground, County Wagoner, SW SE NE

Section 26 Township T16N Range R18E

(north)

The plat on this form represents 640 acres, one square mile, and is subdivided into 40 acre tracts. The center of the section, and burial ground should be located accordingly. If possible, make additional subdivisions on plat to give more accurate location.

Number of sheets attached to this form _____

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ROLEY MCINTOSH BURIAL GROUND

This old burial ground was established by Roley McIntosh and his niece, Jane Hawkins (a daughter of Chief William McIntosh) shortly after the arrival of the McIntosh Creek emigration to the territory in 1832. It is located on the original Roley McIntosh claim where he first settled and was known as the McIntosh plantation, one mile north and two miles west of the present site of the town of Wybark.

The general condition of the plot shows years of neglect. The grave stones have fallen into the graves and the entire plot is covered with a dense growth of brush and briars. It is impossible to estimate the number of graves with any degree of accuracy.

There is one grave that has been covered with a white granite vault, the grave has caved in and one end of the large slab that covered the vault is all there is exposed, standing on end in the grave.

There are indications of about twenty graves with no markers.

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1. Name (if any) of burial ground Durant

2. Founded (date) About 1865 By Robin Grayson

3. Abandoned (date) In use by relatives abandoned

4. Present owners of premises William Durant Heirs

Address of present owners Route 3, Muskogee, Okla.

NOTE: Answer fully, if possible, questions 5 to 13 inclusive, here or on sheets firmly attached to this form.

- 5. Original owners of premises. Robin Grayson
- 6. Give names of other persons who at one time owned the premises.
- 7. Approximate number of graves. 60
- 8. Approximate number of marked graves 42
- 9. General condition of headstones, including inscriptions. Good
- 10. Number of inscriptions copied and attached. 6 (Place each inscription on a separate sheet and attach all to this form).
- 11. Any other information you were able to gather about the burial ground including its history. See sheet two
- 12. Condition of the premises Neglected
- 13. Detailed location of burial ground. Two miles north of Muskogee

14. Legal location of burial ground, County Muskogee, SE NE SE

Section 10 Township T15N Range R18E

(north)

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Number of sheets attached to this form Seven

June 14th, 1937.

DURANT BURIAL GROUND

This burial ground was established by Robin Grayson, a Negro free citizen of the Creek nation and one of the three Negro members of the Creek Council. Robin Grayson settled on the land on which this burial ground is situated about 1865.

The burial ground was named the Durant cemetery in honor of William Durant, a free colored Creek citizen, whose claim was situated just east of the Grayson claim.

After the death of Robin Grayson, William Durant acquired the Grayson claim and when the Creek allotments were made this land was allotted to William Durant.

Since the death of William Durant, his heirs have retained ownership of the property.

Inscription

Rev. Monday Durant. Born 1812 Died June 15, 1889

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Inscription

Robin Grayson Born 1803. Died 1883

Note- Robin Grayson was a free Negro Creek citizen who settled on a claim about two miles north of the present site of Muskogee in 1865. He was one of the only three Negro members of the Creek Council and was very prominent in tribal affairs of the Creek Nation.

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Inscription

Elizabeth Fulson, Born 1833. Died 1950

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Inscription

Bettie Sango, Died February 26, 1883, Age 40

(7)

Inscription

Mary Ponds. born 1874 Died 1931.