

they mowed the grass off and probably dug up those soapweeds and brush that grows around there. And those soapweeds were gone. And somebody said, "Let's dig down there--soapweeds always have deep roots. Maybe we could find the roots of them." But they couldn't find them. They had rotted, too. But anyhow, we found the grave.

(Well, after people got allotments, were people ever buried on their own allotments?)

Some of them. Some are. This boy that got killed Sunday, his grandfolks live out here about seven miles. Six miles west, two miles south and a half mile west. They got their own cemetery. This family--he was my brother-in-law. And his wife lived to a ripe old age and they had their own cemetery. And that's where a lot of their family is buried.

(Would there be any particular reason why a person would be buried in their own family cemetery or in another one of those cemeteries, like a church cemetery, or the government--?)

Yeah, it depends on the arrangements. Now my father-in-law lived here on what they call the Lumpmouth Creek. But he died at Canton, in 1908. I wasn't married at that time, but I was home from school in Kansas in May and I just had left. And he had been up there visiting his oldest son that married up there. They got sick and died. He was about seventy--I think he was over seventy years old. He died and so he's buried up there, whereas his family's buried--like his son--this boy's grandpa that got killed the other day--had his own cemetery. And then there's others buried southeast of here on a high elevation of the family. Now Left Hand, he was buried on his own allotment, where that Jesse Chisholm is also buried on the same allotment. They're not buried close. But they're trying to move Left Hand's grave to Jess Chisholm's so they will be buried close together.

(How about Left Hand's wives. Are they buried near Left Hand?)

Well, his wife is buried at the church cemetery, and his son.