

SELFRIIDGE, JENNIE

CEMETERIES--CHICKASAW
BROWN SPRINGS

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BURIAL GROUND FORM

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Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

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Field worker's name Jennie Selfridge

This report made on (date) October 4, 1937

1. Name (if any) of burial ground Brown Springs

2. Founded (date) 1867 By John Oriner

3. Abandoned (date) 1920 Why abandoned Cut of the way place.

4. Present owners of premises Jim Leeper

Address of present owners Thackerville, Oklahoma

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

- 5. Original owners of premises.
- 6. Give names of other persons who at one time owned the premises.
- 7. Approximate number of graves. 100
- 8. Approximate number of marked graves. 50
- 9. General condition of headstones, including inscriptions. Fair.
- 10. Number of inscriptions copied and attached. 5 (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.
- 12. Condition of the premises No road to site, grown up in brush.
- 13. Detailed location of burial ground.

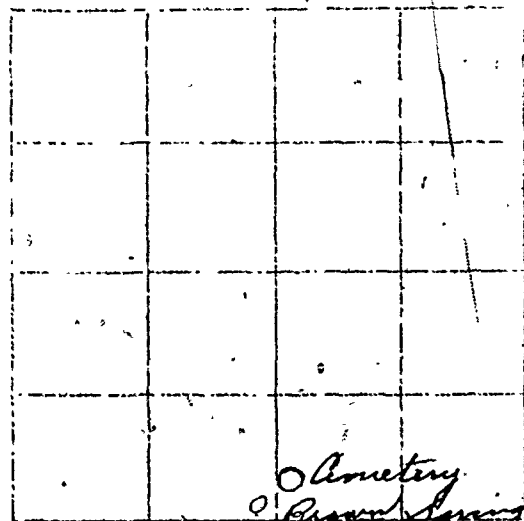
14. Legal location of burial ground, County Love

Section 31 Township 9 south Range 2 east

(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 _____



Cemetery
Brown Springs
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Jennie Selfridge
Interviewer
October 4, 1937.The Brown Springs Cemetery
Love, County.

The Brown Springs cemetery is located just north of the old Brown Spring on old Highway 77. This location is about one-half mile north of the old Brown Ferry and about the same distance from the toll bridge which was in use on Red River before the free bridge was erected one mile west on the present 77 Highway. It was at Brown Springs where the Criner family settled after they left Colbert in the Choctaw Nation. Several of the Criners are buried in the cemetery. The Brown Spring affords an abundant supply of water, which forms a large pool near the north bank of Red River. This spring was used in early days by travelers from the Territory to Gainesville, Texas.

The cemetery has not been used very much since 1890 and it would be almost impossible to reach it in a car, although it is about one hundred yards north of the old highway, up a steep bank. There was one grave put there in 1927, although it does not have a marker.

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Information on this cemetery was obtained from Elizia
M. Smith of Thackerville, Oklahoma, born May 21, 1857 in
Alabama, who came to the Indian Territory in 1868.

Isaac J. Love

Born May 22, 1852

Died Dec. 28, 1878

Sarah Emily Daughter of

Isaac & Rebecca Love

Born Dec. 28, 1874

Died Jan. 10, 1875

Rebecca wife of

Isaac Love

Born Dec. 31, 1854

Died Jan. 16, 1875

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Mary Jane Dau. of
G. A. & M. A. Criner
Born Aug. 3, 1851

Died 1869

Mary J. Wife of
Thomas Grant

Born August 29, 1837

Died December 29, 1867
