

BURNS, NANNIE LEE

CEMETERY--OTTAWA

#7017

BURIAL GROUND FORM

WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION

Indian-Pioneer History Project for Oklahoma

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Field worker's name Nannie Lee Burns

This report made on (date) August 2 1937

Name (if any) of burial ground Ottawa Indian Cemetery

Founded (date) First stone 1865 By \_\_\_\_\_

Abandoned (date) \_\_\_\_\_ why abandoned Still used.

Area of ownership or premises Set aside by U.S. for Ottawa Indians

Address of present owner Ottawa Indians--Guy Jennison, Chief, Miami, Okla. R.R. #1.

NOTE: Answer fully, if possible, questions 8 to 13 inclusive, here or on sheets firmly attached to this form.

Original owners of premises \_\_\_\_\_

Give names of other persons who at one time owned the premises. \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of graves. 1500

Approximate number of marked graves 325

General condition of headstones, including inscriptions. good

Number of inscriptions copied and attached. 43 (Place each inscription on a separate sheet and attach all to this form)

Any other information you are able to gather about the burial ground including its history. \_\_\_\_\_

Condition of the premises Needs sprouting and old graves filled

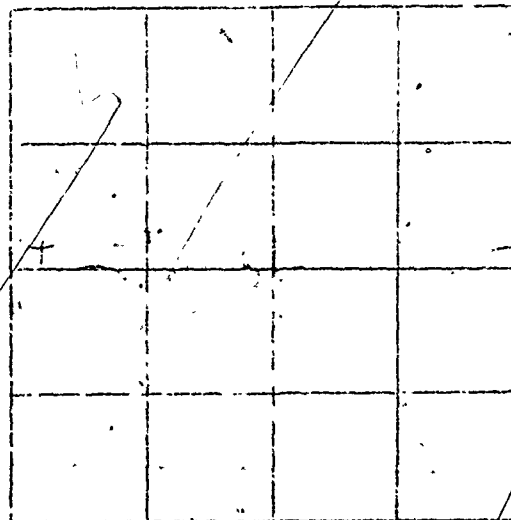
Detailed location of burial ground. \_\_\_\_\_

Local location of burial ground, County Ottawa

Section 36 Township 28 N Range 23 E

(north)

This plat of this form represents 640 acres of land, and is subdivided into 160-acre tracts. The location of the section, and burial ground should be located accordingly. If possible, take additional subdivisions on plat to give more detail.



Number of sheets attached \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person who prepared this form \_\_\_\_\_

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

THE OTTAWA INDIAN CEMETERY

By

Nannie Lee Burns, Field Worker

The Ottawa Indian Cemetery is located a quarter southeast of Ottawa, Oklahoma. There are five acres in this tract and it has been used by the Ottawa Indians since they came here as a burying ground as it was set aside to them for that purpose by the United States Government.

It is estimated that there are from fifteen hundred to two thousand graves there. In fact, some are buried on top of each other as there has not been a systematic record kept.

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The north half of this has grown up in sprouts and briars, etc., and the south half, which is the old half, is covered with high grass and vines. It has not had a caretaker for years and the only cleaning has been volunteer work, which is haphazard work.

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I should say that one-third of this ground mostly on the north end is unused. It is fenced and a public road passes along the side of it, the road being put through on the half mile line.

These people are anxious to have this cared for and will greatly appreciate having it made a project.

I have copied only the inscriptions on the stones of the older people and have omitted many old inscriptions on children and younger person's graves.

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Memory

Of

James Wilson

Age 57 years

Was Chief of

Ottawa Indians

"Was with you in

Weakness and fear

and much trembling."

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One side Memory

R. L. Wilson

Age 15 years.

April 30, 1870

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Other side

Memory

Sallie Wilson

Born

July 7. 1859

Died

Aug. 4 1875

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The tombstone inscribed as shown on preceding page is a tall four sided shaft, Shaft is set on a wall of red large rectangular sandstone rocks which also enclose grave and are three or four feet high shaded from the west and a little to the south by a large old cedar.

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Face

J. Artie Tuttle

February 3, 1877

Age 3 years

Children of

A. C. & E. H. Tuttle

Missionaries

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12 years.

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One side

John Howard

Died Sept. 27, 1872

Age 2 mo.

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Other side

Eliza P.

Died Dec. 11. 1879

Age 2 yrs.

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Note. Another four sided shaft and enclosed by small iron posts connected by a heavy iron chain near top of posts.

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Note. Only inscription I found prior to 1870.

Mary King

Died 1865

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Note. First boy from Ottawa County killed in action in World War.

Lewis A. Mercer

Co. D.

86 Ohio Inf.

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Hugh Linn

Co. G.

36 Mo. Inf.

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James Sapp

Co. K.

14th Ill. Inf.

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James M. Stevens

Oklahoma

Mus N 1 C L

356 Inf. 89 Div.

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William L. Spence

Co. Eas.

14 Kansas

Cavalry

Civil War.

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Charles Clark

Oklahoma

Pvt. 1 C L Med. Dept.

June 26, 1931.

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Drummer

Walter Jennison

Co. I. 16 I A Inf.

Civil War.



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Vollie Houseman

Oklahoma

Fireman

3 C L U. S. Navy

Sept 23, 1896

Dec. 23 1931

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Wm. Burkey

Private 3rd Cav.

April 7, 1921

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Thos. D. Dillner

Co.F.

62 Inf. Ill.

May 19 1840

Jan. 4, 1921

Civil War.

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Deacon

Jas. Clark

Died

Oct. 22, 1880

Age 53 yrs.

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Memory for

F. K. Gebau

Age 37 yrs.

Died

Aug 7. 1871

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In Memory of

Christianna King

Age 28 years

Died Oct. 8, 1870

and

Anthony King

Born Oct. 8, 1870

Died Dec. 28, 1870

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Memory of

Matilda P. Wind

Born

Jan. 15, 1852

Died

June 15, 1871.

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In Memory of

James Wind

Born

Nov. 17, 1818

Died

Nov. 17, 1875 (Judge)

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In Memory

of

Mary Clay

Age 35 years

Died

Oct. 15, 1870

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Clark

Mother

Died Oct. 30, 1880

"Asleep in Jesus."

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In Memory of  
Sarah Clay  
Born  
Wal Pool Island  
Canada 1855  
Died Mar. 13, 1871  
Wife of H. Clay.

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Margaret  
Dau. of  
Thos & Catherine  
Pocowa  
Born  
Nov. 3, 1877  
Died  
Feb. 3, 1884

Age 6-yrs. 3 mo.

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Elizabeth Early  
Wife of  
John W. Early  
Died May 22, 1886  
Age 47 years.

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Elijah Suly

Born

April 30, 1833

Died

April 26, 1886

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E. Nonkesis

Aug. 22. 1854

April 17, 1914

Mary, wife of

Ezekiel Nonkesis

Born 1855

Died Aug. 25. 1901

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In Memory of

James Wind

Born Nov. 17, 1818

Died Nov. 1875

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Magarit Maccoon

Age 20 yrs.

Died Apr. 20, 1873

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Jane Flint

Age 20 years

Died May 7, 1871

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Memory

Dr. John L. Stilley

Born Nov.11. 1811

Died Nov.13, 1874

Age 63 years

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John G.

Husband of

Jemima Rucker

Oct. 14, 1835

Jan. 9, 1885

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John Rede

Died Sept. 5, 1886

Age 67 years

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Robert Allen

May 29, 1859

July 14, 1887

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W. Vineyard

Born

Feb. 17, 1830

Died Nov. 27, 1890

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Sophia McConse

David Barnett

1840 -- 1920

1828 -- 1878

Grandmother

Grandfather

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Archie O.

Hanna E.

Died June 2, 1887

Died July 11, 188-

3 yrs. 3 mo. 24 da.

1 yr. 5 mo. 4 da.

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HUBBARD

Edgar N.

Mabel A.

1861-1899

1868-1933

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Winey E. Wilson

April 26, 1833

Dec. 18, 1893

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Mila Hines

Born 10-2-54

Died 2-5-32

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Melvine

Wife of

H. A. Niday

1830-Aug. 21, 1897

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Edward George

Mary his wife

1858-Jan. 2, 1915

1847-Aug. 28, 1899.

Note.

These are fullbloods allotted under name of Suboak.

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Memory of

Emile L.

Dunaphin

Born Apr. 1, 1835

Died Apr. 1, 1877

Age 42 yrs.

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James

Husband of

Addie Clark

Born 1858

Died Jan. 24, 1894

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CLARK

SAMUEL

MOTHER

FATHER

Son of

Died Aug. 30,

Richard

Richard & Eliz.

1880

Died Nov. 29. 1911

Died 1881

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