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THE OLD SIXKILLER HOME AND CHARTERY LOCATED IN SEC. 25. T. 19 N., R. 25 E.

The old Sixkiller Homestead is located in Section 35, T. 19 N., and R. 25 E., on a south slope surrounded by a beautiful grove of native trees, with some silver maples which have been set out.

The house is built of hewn cak logs, two stories high, with a wide porch along the front. There is also a hallway through the house. Later the house was ceiled inside and weather boarded on the outside, making it not only comfortable but which improved the appearance also. This made it one of the nicest homes in the whole country. It is one of the oldest homes in the country, being about one hundred years old.

This house was built by one of the older set of Sixkillers about the year 1839. The second one of the family to come into possession of this fine old home was Soldier Sixkiller, who lived here for a number of years. He was a very successful farmer, farming on a rather large scale until about the year 1895 when he died, leaving J. H. S. Sixkiller the old home. He was a good farm, taking great interest in good stock. He was well educated in the common schools and the Cherokee Male Seminary. He took great interest in the upbuilding of his neighborhood, also he took an active interest in politics, holding several important public offices.

This farm and home are now owned by Marion M. Murray.

The old Sixkiller Cemetery is located in Sec. 35, T. 19 N., R. 25 E. It has 37 graves which are well kept. Some inscriptions in this cemetery are as follows:

Abraham Sixkiller, born 1820, died August 29, 1892.

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Nick Sixkiller, born November 22, 1868, died January 13, 1891.

Joshua Sixkiller, born January 4, 1858, died February 4, 1884.

Samson B. Sixkiller born May 27, 1860, 21ed August 7, 1891.

Emmons Grigsby, Oklahoma, N. U. S. N. Coast Artillery, August 14, 1914.