

PRAIRIE GROVE CEMETERY

The oldest recorded grave on the property was Rachel C. Marrs who died on October 21, 1818. The second oldest documented burial was another child, Mary Ann Crawford on July 1, 1824. The first owner of the property was Rev. Andrew Buchanan and his wife, Sinai.

The Buchanans donated the land for the Church, and the cemetery, shortly after the Buchanans built their home near the spring. The original plat of Prairie Grove dates shows the area of the cemetery to be 412 ½ feet by 268 feet.

Rev. Andrew Buchanan (1792 - 1857) is buried just west of the Church. His stepson Col James Preston Neal (1821 - 1896), the founder of the town of Prairie Grove, and his wife Adeline (1829 - 1863) is also buried nearby.

Over the span of years since they platted the original cemetery, six acres have been added: (1) J. Baggett, SR, 100 foot wide west of the old part 44 lots in 1900: (2) Cummings Addition, March 1917, 180 lots: (3) Dodson Addition, March 1958, 48 lots and 32 half lots: (4) Rogers Addition, November 5, 1960, 64 lots: (5) Loyd L. Baggett Addition, April 14, 1966, 154 lots: (6) Bell / Carl Addition, Blakemore Addition and yet to name Additions on June 28, 1985: These Additions consist of 5 ½ acres joining the west side of the cemetery, platted into 20' X 12' with concrete markers designating each lot. The latest purchase assures the Prairie Grove Cemetery of adequate land for many years.

The cemetery budget for day to day operations is made up from donations and proceeds from the sale of lots. The current cost of each grave space is \$325.00, with a two-space minimum purchase.

The Prairie Grove Cemetery Association requires an outside receptacle for each grave opened in the cemetery.

Records of the cemetery are located at the Luginbuel Funeral Home - 115 North Neal Street - Prairie Grove, Arkansas 72753. If you have any questions about lot locations, lot purchases, please contact Luginbuels at (479) 846-2141. A web page www.luginbuel.com has listed graves with markers in the cemetery. In addition they have listed other cemeteries in the western part of Washington County on the web page. The email address of the Funeral Home is 8462141@pgtc.com

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