

DUNKLE CEMETERY

HISTORY

Although our research into the history of Dunkle Cemetery is just beginning, its origin may be linked with the purchase of 160 acres in Lawrence County by John Dunkle in 1844. According to records at the Bureau of Land Management, his original purchase lies within Section 5, Township 29 and Range 25. Dunkle cemetery lies within the same legal land description.

Dunkle's purchase is one of the earliest recorded by the BLM in Section 5. In 1857, an additional 80 acres appears to have been purchased by him.



Timeline of Events

- 1844** John Dunkle purchased 160 acres
- 1854** First inscribed headstone
William Z. Dunkle
- 1857** John C Dunkle purchased 80 acres
- 1867** Second oldest inscribed stone
Jacob Dunkle
- 1888** Susie Wilkerson buried 11 days old
- 1890** Joseph and Caroline Miller donated one acre of land to the trustees of Dunkle Graveyard (trustees are Mr Miller, W.B. Wilkerson and James L Stinson)
- 1909** J. H. Miller buried
- 1899** C. M. Miller buried
- 1950's** Spencer Moore donated a strip of land on north side
- 1982** Non-profit Corporation established for Dunkle Cemetery. (Herbert Hadlock, Sam Miller, Bobbie Johns, Kay Hankins and Willard Brown)
- 1985** Strip of land on west end of cemetery is purchased from Dorothy Moore

President: Greg Hankins

Vice Pres: Rhondell Miller

Secretary: Carolyn Slavens

Treasurer: LaReva Newcomer

Member at Large: Mike Britain

1981 Local business woman, Fern White, donated \$20,000 to the Dunkle Cemetery



Ben and Fern White

The care continues...

This peaceful, serene, well cared for cemetery is over 150 years old.

Many loved ones buried in Dunkle have only field stones to mark their passing. Others are buried here with no marking to identify their final resting place. We continue to care for all graves in honor of those who loved them.

For information regarding Dunkle Cemetery, please contact Mike at Britain's Store in Lawrenceburg, MO at 417- 491- 4590.



Dunkle Cemetery is located on Z Highway approximately 2 miles west of Lawrenceburg, Missouri.

Our community has provided ongoing maintenance and support for the cemetery through yearly donations, memorials and will designations.

If you would like to help support the ongoing care of Dunkle cemetery, please send your donation to:

Dunkle Cemetery Association

P. O. Box 16

Halltown, MO 65664

Special thanks to:

Florene Harrison and Mary Jo Cotter for the photo of Fern White and the information about her will designation.

If you have knowledge about the history of Dunkle Cemetery or about unmarked graves, please contact Carolyn. Her email address is:

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*Where love and care continues
for family and friends*

