

Herrington Family Burial Ground

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This overgrown cemetery with its broken monuments and fieldstones is located in T41 R4 S17 NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

38° 17' 35" N / 90° 35' 37" E

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This cemetery is on land first entered by either James R., certificate #12415 dated April 10th, 1843, for the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, or John Herrington, certificate #26330 dated June 6th, 1856 for the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of

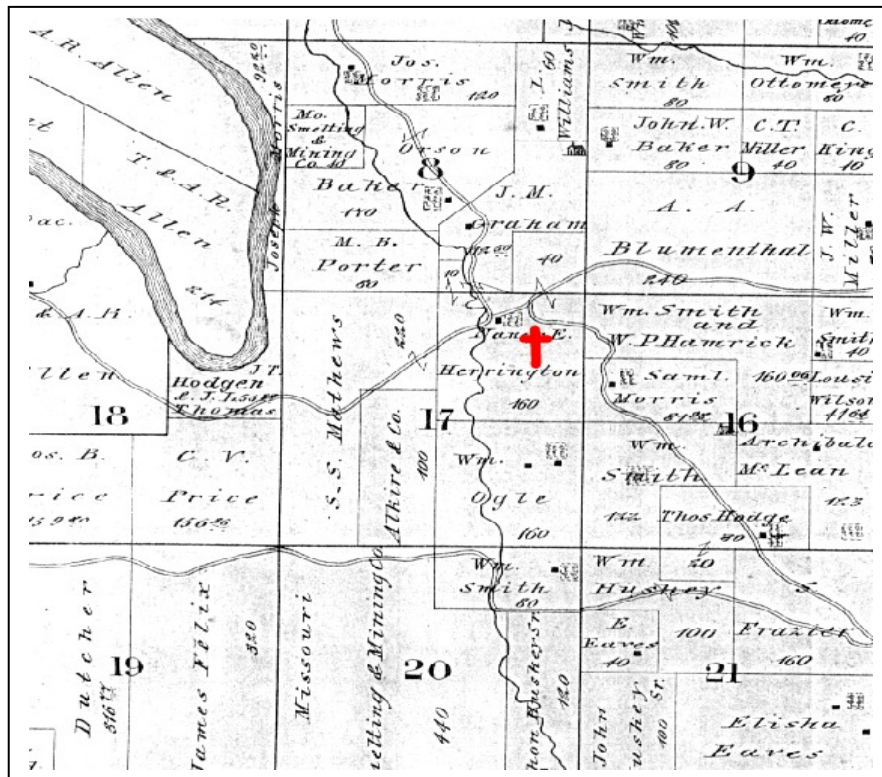
the NE $\frac{1}{4}$. The cemetery sits on the line between these two tracts. John Herrington previously having acquired the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 17 in November 11th, 1828 as recorded in certificate # 150, one of the earliest in Jefferson County.

Sometime prior to 1862 James R. Herrington must have transferred the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section to John. However I could not find this deed.

Recorded in Book S Page 260 on November 3rd, 1862, John Herrington transfers ownership of this tract to James R. Herrington for \$1000.⁰⁰, "...NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17 Township 41 Range 4 containing 160 acres, also 10 acres out of the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 8 Township 41 Range 4 provided however all these presents are upon this expressed condition viz., that the said party of the first part is to have the use and possession of the above described land for and during his natural life for the purpose of a home and place of residence..."

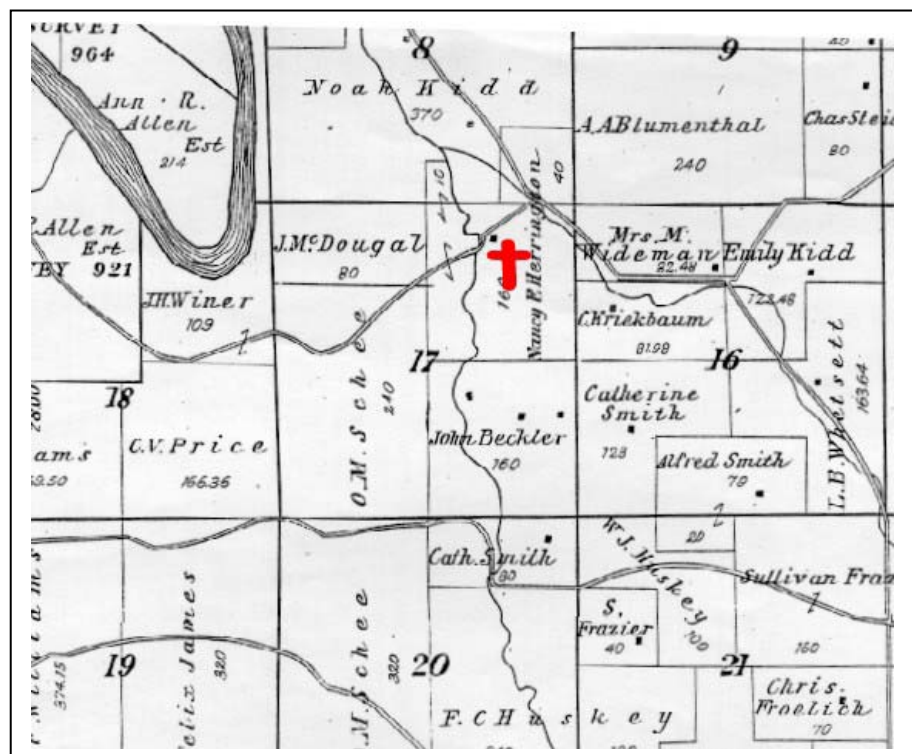
The next deed located on this tract was recorded on January 14th, 1902, one year after the death of Nancy E. Herrington, recorded in Book 52 Page 461, John J. Herrington and Edwin F. Herrington both single men of Jefferson County, (*probably sons of James R. and Nancy E.*), sell to James M. Huskey for \$3600.⁰⁰, "...SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 8 also 10 acres out of the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 8 Township 41 Range 4 and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17 Township 41 Range 4, the last two described tracts being the same conveyed to James R. Herrington by John Herrington by deed dated November 3rd, 1862 and recorded in Book S Page 260 of the Jefferson County records, the whole of the several tracts hereby conveyed aggregating 210 acres excepting however the following portion reserved by John J. and Edwin Herrington for family burial ground as follows to wit; Beginning at a white oak 54 feet south west of Mrs. N. E. Herrington's monument, thence east 120 feet to a white oak, thence north 142 feet to a white oak, thence west 120 feet to a point 25 feet west of a walnut, south 160 feet to place of beginning..."

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As can be seen in the picture at left, in 1876 Nancy E. Herrington, is now in possession of the property after the death of her husband, James R. The cross I added to the photo.

In 1898 Nancy E. Herrington still retains ownership of this tract. As before I added the cross to show location.



The following persons are listed on the stones in this cemetery;



Nancy E. Herrington

Wife of
James R. Herrington
Born
April 18th, 1832
Died
January 8th, 1901

Martha A. Wife of B. F. Herrington

Born June 11th, 1861
Died
June 23rd, 1884
Aged
23 years 12 days

Absent but not forgotten.

*Clasp hands with women's finger pointing down, in
circle at top of monument.*





On the top of Joshua's monument are clasp hands one a man's and one a women's, with what appears to be a bow, no fingers pointing down, denoting both husband and wife, in circle at top of monument.

Stone broken

In
Memory of
Joshua Herrington

Born
February 8th, 1811

Died
September 9th, 1886



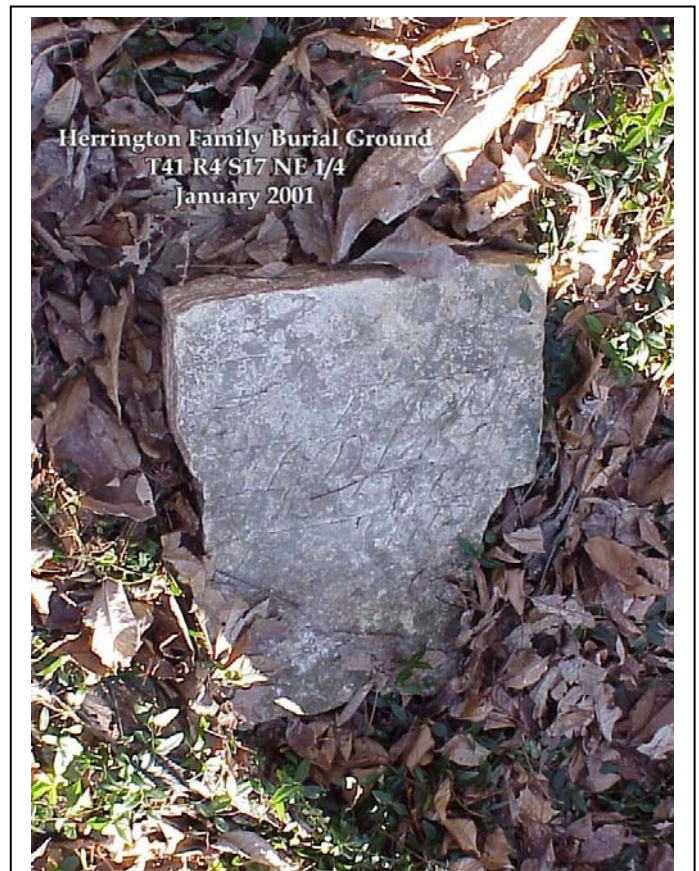


Lucinda
Wife of
J. Herrington
Born
June 20th, 1817
Died
January 1st, 1874

*Monument maker mark; E. Hirsch, De Soto
On back of broken Joshua stone*

This hand carved fieldstone was found and appears to say Linda Herrington 1876 among other writing. This is only a guess on my part as it is extremely hard to read.

*Norma Fuchs states this stone was probably
Lucinda's first monument.*





This is another fieldstone located in this cemetery. Nothing could be observed remaining on this monument.

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