UNMARKED GRAVES PROJECT

Our goal was to build a directory of persons buried in Sunset Cemetery. We started by collecting obituaries of persons listed as buried in Sunset Cemetery and then matching them up with the existing stones and the incomplete record book.

Matching and researching with other sources available it appears there are at least 170 unmarked graves in Sunset Cemetery.

There are a number of sunken spots with no known burial or owner information. There are also some we have obituaries for that we believe were buried in Sunset Cemetery, but we have no idea where they were buried at. Perhaps they were here only a short time and moved on, or perhaps they were poor and could not afford to buy a lot, or perhaps the information was lost over the years (or not written down).

But of the approximately 170 unmarked graves, at least 150 of them can be marked with appropriate information. We have identified who they are, where they are most likely to be and enough information to make an appropriate marker stone.

All of those known to be buried here are now listed in the burial indexes and block lists and on Find-a-Grave. They have a U for unmarked next to their name and/or number. The board members of Sunset Cemetery have decided to research and mark as many of the unmarked graves in Sunset Cemetery as possible. This will be a multi-year project, but as they get marked the indexes will be updated to show the new stones.

If you have any information on anyone buried here without a marker, please contact Nancy or Kim on the cemetery board.

If you would kindly make a donation towards this project, it would be much appreciated. We are all volunteers and monies for this project will all come from donations.

Sunset Cemetery, PO Box 75, Cedar Rapids, NE 68627 All donations are tax deductible.