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# **Erosion uncovers tombstones on San Francisco's Ocean Beach**

By Pueng Vongs | The Lookout - Thu, Jun 7, 2012



Visitors to the popular Ocean Beach in San Francisco are accustomed to dramatic views of waves crashing onshore, but perhaps nothing quite as dramatic as the sight of tombstones.

"I've seen some really unusual things out here," jogger Susan Palleschi told KTVU. "That gravestone blew me away."

Turns out the tombstones were placed there more than 70 years ago to help stop erosion from rising tides, according to KTVU. After the city shut down several cemeteries in the 1940s, the bodies were moved, but "unclaimed property" remained. Some families simply couldn't afford to have the markers moved. The headstones soon became city property and they were put to good use, according to David Gallagher, director of the Western Neighborhoods Project.

"In 1942 or 1943, there were great storms in the city. The Great Highway was eroding...they had all this construction debris," Gallagher told KTVU. "Among the debris were all these headstones that they dumped to stop the surging tide."

#### [Related: 66-foot concrete dock washes ashore in Oregon]

Pieces of the grave markers have now reappeared over the past several weeks, including one that belonged to Delia Presby, a wife that died in 1890 at the age of 26. And it seems the markers will remain on the beach until the tide once again covers them. A representative from the U.S. Park Service told KTVU there are no plans to recover and relocate the headstones.

Uncovered grave markers seem to be in the news lately: Last month a man in Tennessee was also in for a shock when he discovered old tombstones while he was doing maintenance in his backyard.

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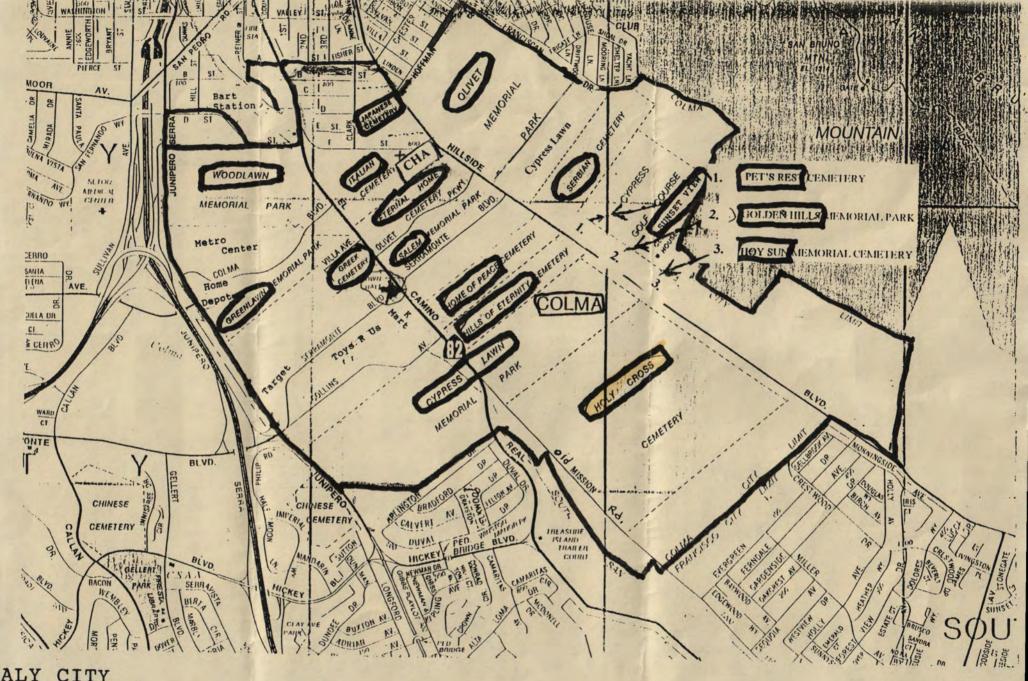
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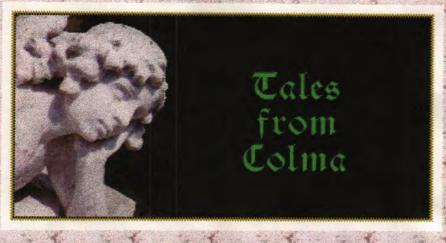


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### Where the Dead Went

San Francisco Cemeteries moved around quite a bit. Here's a list of what happened to various cemeteries:

San Francisco Cemetery Name	Dates of Operation/Fate
Mission Dolores Cemetery	1776-1901. Still at Mission Dolores
San Francisco National Cemetery	Closed in 1990. Still at the Presidio, Golden Gate National Recreation Area
North Beach Cemetery	Deposition Unknown
Telegraph Hill	Cemetery Deposition Unknown
Russian Hill Cemetery	Deposition Unknown
Calvary Cemetery	1860-1901. Remains moved to Holy Cross, Colma, 1942
Chinese Cemetery	Moved to Golden Gate Cemetery
Gibbath Olom Cemetery (Hills of Eternity)	1861-1888. Moved to Colma, 1889
Golden Gate Cemetery	1868-1901. Turned into Lincoln Park Golf Course in 1906. Stones dumped at Ocean Beach
Greek Cemetery	Deposition Unknown
Hebrew Cemetery	1850-1860. Deposition Unknown
Laurel Hill Cemetery (aka Lone Mountain Cemetery)	1854-1901. Remains moved to Laurel Hill Mound, Cypress Lawn, Colma
Masonic Cemetery	1864-1901. Remains moved to Woodlawn Cemetery, Colma. Tombstones used as fill on approaches to Golden Gate Bridge.
Nevai Shalom Cemetery (Home of Peace)	1860-1888. Moved to Colma in 1889.
Odd Fellows Cemetery	1865-1901. Remains moved to Greenlawn Cemetery, Colma. Tombstones used to construct Aquatic Park seawall

### Key to Map All Area Codes are 415

Abbr	Full Name	Phone	Emphasis
CL	Cypress Lawn Memorial Park	755-0580	Nonsectarian
EH	Eternal Home Cemetery	755-5236	Jewish
GH	Golden Hills Cemetery	755-0232	Chinese
GO	Greek Orthodox Cemetery	755-6939	E. Orthodox
GL	Greenlawn Memorial Park	755-7622	Nonsectarian
HE	Hills of Eternity	756-3633	Jewish
HC	Holy Cross	756-2060	Catholic
HP	Home of Peace	755-4700	Jewish
HS	Hoy Sun Memorial Cemetery	982-6060	Chinese
IT	Italian Cemetery	755-1511	Catholic
JP	Japanese Benevolent Society	921-1782	Japanese
OL	Olivet Memorial Park	755-0322	Nonsectarian
PR	Pets Rest Cemetery	755-2201	Animals
SA	Salem Cemetery	755-5296	Jewish
SE	Serbian Cemetery	755-2453	E. Orthodox
WO	Woodlawn Memorial Park	755-1727	Nonsectarian



#### Colma Cemetery Links

Colma Historical Association Pet's Rest Cemetery



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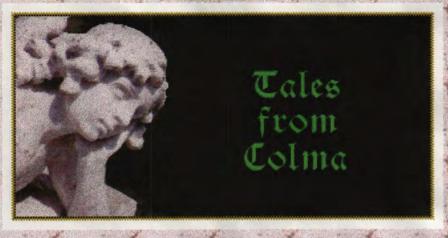
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"A Tomb with A View," newsletter published by Katie Karrick.

Contact her at Katydid579@aol.com.

#### GROUPS

Association for Gravestone Studies (AGS). 30 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609. (508) 831-7753

United States Civil War Center (USCWS). Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA (504) 388-3151

#### INTERNET

AGS - http://www.history.rochester.edu/AGS/ags.html

Allow enough time to adequately search and document as you go along.

Put the name of the cemetery on the top of each page along with the date.

Write down the inscriptions even if you photograph or record them.

Write each family on a different page to facilitate filing when you get home.

Write down all those who are buried nearby.

Search the entire cemetery for other relatives in case someone is buried in another part.

Check with the office for people who don't have tombstones.

Also, allow extra time to locate the cemetery and then to locate appropriate graves.

Watch out for poison ivy, spiders, snakes, holes, overgrown vegetation, old fences, and wild animals. Allow enough <u>time</u> so you are not stranded in an isolated cemetery after dark.

Large cemeteries are confusing in daylight. Be sure to leave the cemetery when you KNOW and feel confident you can get to the main road outside the cemetery.

When walking use your flashlight. Twilight comes unexpectedly.

### Monuments and Memorials: Something other than stone

Don't forget to record the following -

Stained glass windows, altar pieces, sacramental services, ornaments, or statues can be presented as special gifts in the name and memory of deceased relatives. Small plaques give names, dates and relationships of those in the giftgiving memorial.

Contributions, in lieu of flowers, are given to trust funds, special organizations or a project in the memory of a deceased loved one. Records are maintained of all who contribute.

### Data: Different Surfaces, Different Techniques:

Sometimes old inscriptions on markers are almost weathered off. Or moss and/or lichens may have covered the stone, making the process of reading and recording data almost impossible. DO NOT TRY TO

## "Digging Up Clues in Cemeteries"

Orange County California Genealogical Society
April 6, 1996
by
Karen P. Langer

## **A Brief History of Cemeteries:**

We have been burying our dead for at least 50,000 years. "Planting the deceased" is one of the earliest known human rituals. It was perhaps a recognition by an early agricultural people of the complete cycle of life. From the womb (earth) and back to mother earth as burial (womb) in order to be reborn anew.

Whether people believe in an afterlife (Egyptians, Christians, Muslims), or need to prevent the spread of disease (1630 Black Plague, 1902 diphtheria epidemic), or want to honor those held most dear, cemeteries can mean different things to different people. Groups of people have gone to war to protect their burial grounds (Native Americans). Captured land has been turned into hallowed ground (Arlington Cemetery). Lastly, some people want to be returned to our primordial roots - the ocean.

## **Types of Cemeteries:**

There are three arbitrary categories

1) City

Public or Municipal Cemetery Commercial Memorial Park

## Cemeteries of the Town of Colma

Cypress Lawn Cemetery PO Box 397 1370 El Camino Real Colma. Ca. 94014 0650 755-0580 GM Kenneth Varner

Eternal Home Cemetery

Office Cemetery location
PO Box 15579 1051 El Camino Real
SF Ca. 94115 Colma, Ca. 94014
415 921-3636 650 755-5236

Exec.Dir. Gene Kaufmann Manager, Larry Vallerga

Golden Hills Cemetery 2005 Hillside Blvd. Colma, Ca. 94014 650 755-1133 Owner, Joe Deng

Greek Orthodox Memorial Park
MAILING LOCATION
PO Box 333 1148 El Camino Real
Colma, Ca. 94014
650 755-6939
GM Steve Doukas, Commerce Holding CO

Greenlawn Memorial Cemetery

Hoy Sun Cemetery OFFICE 41 Waverly Place S..F. Ca. 94108

415 288-0600 Pres. Steven Louie CEMETERY LOCATION 2101 Hillside Blvd. Colma, Ca. 94014 650 757-9892

Italian Cemetery 540 F Street Colma, Ca. 94014 650 755-1511

GM Christopher Castagnola

Japanese Benevolent Society

OFFICE CEMETERY LOCATION
179 Sutter Street 1300 Hillside Blvd.
SF Ca. 94115 Colma, Ca. 94014
415 921-1782 650 755-3747

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P. D. BOX 577 COLMA, CALIFORNIA

PLAZA 6-2060

Movember 30, 1962

Mrs. Buth Conway 601 St. Francis Blvd. San Francisco, California RE: Dor. D-6-2-2-1tol2
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Dear Mrs. Conway:

This letter is a confirmation and verification of your instructions to Holy Cross Cemetery on November 29,1962 relative to specific Pre-Beed burial permits in the above mentioned plot.

Subject to the rules and regulations of Holy Cross Cemetery the following are to be interred:

MR. ALBERT C. FREESE IN GRAVE 6

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MRS. WILLIAM H. EVANS IN GRAVE 2 (with William H. Evans)

WRS. RAPHAEL E. TURNER IN GRAVE 1 (with Baphael E. Turner)

Upon the return of the signed permits they, with a copy of this letter, will be filed in the plot record here at Holy Cross Cemetery.

With best wishes and many thanks for your interest in Holy Cross, I am

Sincerly,

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# Gatholic Gemeteries Archdiocese of San Francisco

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Colma MOUNT OLIVET CEMETERY
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HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Menlo Park

November 14, 1995

Mrs. Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623 - 13th Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648-4039

RE: Margaret Collins, Deceased

Dear Mrs. Borkenhagen:

In response to your recent request, we are unable to locate any record of Margaret Collins, Deceased in our burial records.

I have enclosed information on Madeline Collins which might be a possibility.

If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the cemetery office.

Sincerely,

Christine O. Stinson Office Supervisor

Enclosure

-File-June 23, 1997 Christine O. Stinson Office Supervisor Holy Cross Cemetery P.O.Box 1577 Colma CA 94014-0577 RE: L - 75 - 42/43 (COLLINS PLOT) Dear Ms Stinson, I very much appreciate the help you have been to me in locating my parents, paternal grandparents and paternal great grandparents in the Freese/Evans plot and my maternal grandparents in the Collins plot in Holy Cross Cemetery. The cards on the Collins plot show the plot owner as "Jno.", which should be "John", W. Collins and a deed serial number of "B-12054 P.C." Would it be possible to obtain a copy of that deed? I am enclosing a stamped, self- addressed envelope. Any information you have will be appreciated. Very truly yours, (Mrs.) Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623-13th Street Huntington Beach CA 92648-4039 (714) 536-8523 Enclosures



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Menlo Park

June 13, 1995

Mrs. Eleanor Borkenhagen 623 - 13th Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648

RE: L - 75 - 42/43 (COLLINS PLOT)

Dear Mrs. Borkenhagen:

In response to your recent request, all the information in our burial records on those family members that are interred in the above referenced plot is enclosed.

Please be assured of our desire to be of service in all matters pertaining ad the cemetery.

Sincerely,

Christine O. Stinson Office Supervisor

Enclosure



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# Gatholic Gemeteries Archdiocese of San Francisco

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Colma

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San Rafael

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Menlo Park

April 27, 1995

Mrs. Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623 - 13th Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648

RE: D - 6 - 2 - 2 - 1/12 (Freese/Evans/Turner/Culin Plot)

Dear Mrs. Borkenhagen:

In response to your recent request, all the information in our burial records on those family members in the above referenced location is enclosed.

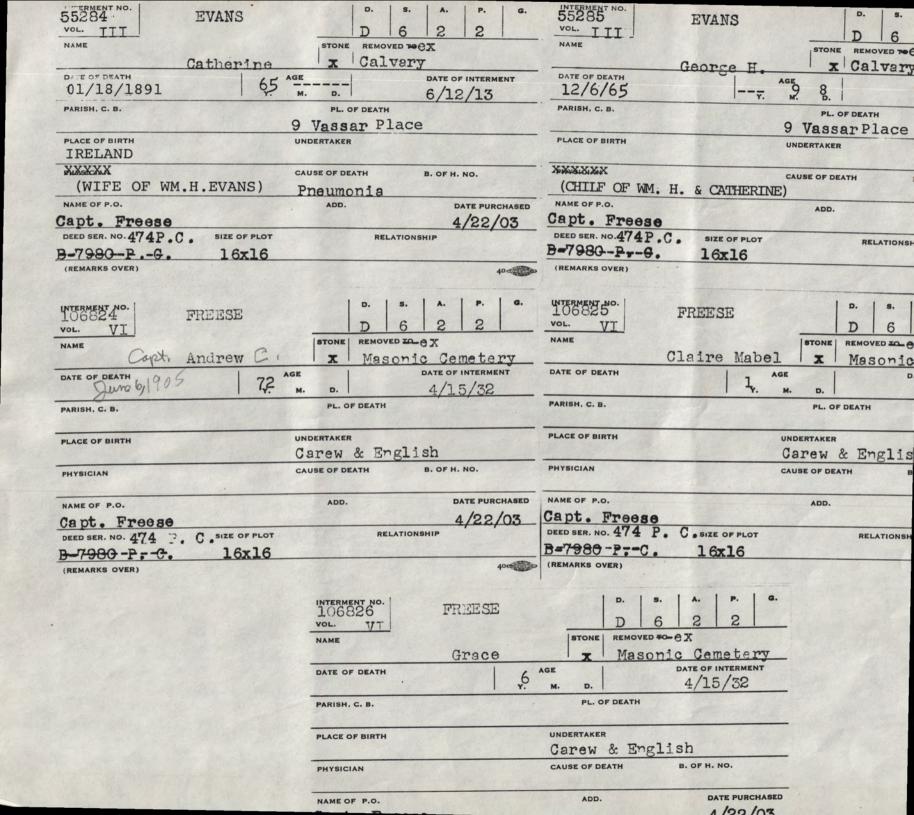
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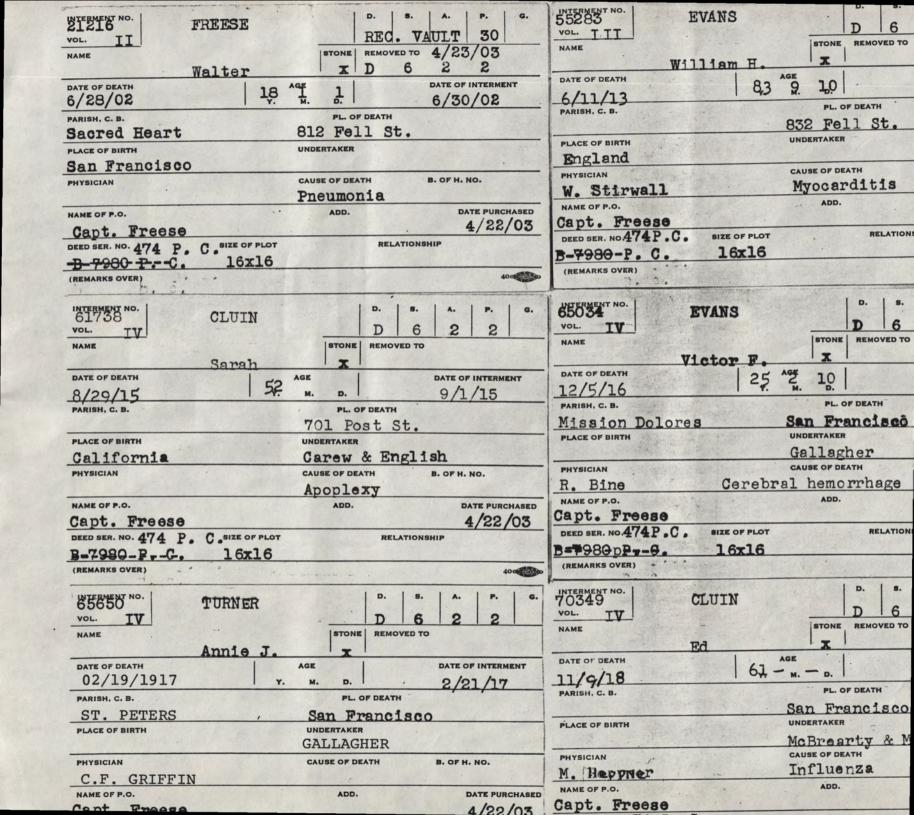
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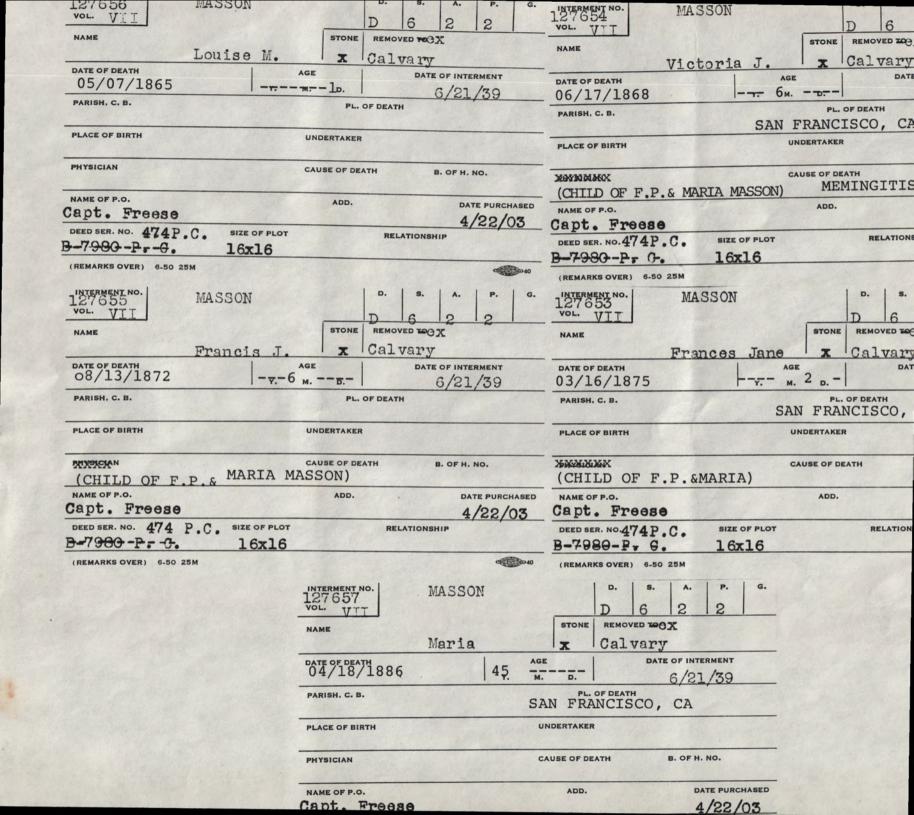
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March 11, 1997

Mrs. Christine O. Stinson Office Supervisor Holy Cross Cemetery Post Office Box 1577 Colma CA 94014-0577

RE: D - 6 - 2 - 2 - 1/12 (Freese/Evans/Turner/Cluin Plot)

Dear Mrs. Stinson:

I very much appreciate the great amount of information you have sent me in the past concerning my parents, paternal grandparents and paternal great grandparents in the Freese/Evans plot in your cemetery. You have sent me copies of 26 file cards of relatives of mine buried in that plot.

The cards show "Capt. Freese" as the plot owner. He is Andrew C. Freese, who was my grandfather William James Evans's brother-in-law, as he married my grandfather's sister Catherine Evans Freese. The cards also show a deed serial number of "B 7980 P.C." which is crossed out and replaced with "474 P.C." Would it be possible to obtain a copy of that deed? I am enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623-13th Street Huntington Beach CA 92648-4039



# Gatholic Gemeteries Archdiocese of San Francisco

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Colma

MOUNT OLIVET CEMETERY
San Rafael

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Menlo Park

March 20, 1997

Mrs. Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623 - 13th Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648-4039

RE: D - 6 - 2 - 2 - 1/12 (Freese/Evans/Turner/Cluin Plot)

Dear Mrs. Borkenhagen:

In response to your recent request, please find a copy of the deed.

Please be assured of our desire to be of service in all matters pertaining to the cemetery.

Sincerely,

Christine O. Stinson
Office Supervisor

November 6, 1995 Christine O. Stinson Office Supervisor Holy Cross Cemetery P.O.Box 1577 Colma CA 94014-0577 Dear Ms Stinson, It was a pleasure speaking with you on the phone this morning and I can not tell you enough times how much I appreciate the help you have been to me in locating my parents, paternal grandparents and paternal great grandparents in the Freese/Evans plot and my maternal grandparents in the Collins plot. This request for genealogical research concerns the child I mentioned to you on the phone: Margaret Collins, who would have been my aunt, if she had lived. She is not buried with her parents in the Collins plot, according to your records. She predeceased her Mother by about 10 years and her Father by about 28 years. Since you indicated you have a Children's Section at Holy Cross, it is highly probable she is buried there. I am enclosing a Genealogical Research form for Margaret with what little I know of her, as well as my check for \$20.00 and a stamped, selfaddressed envelope. Any information you have will be appreciated. Very truly yours, (Mrs.) Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623-13th Street Huntington Beach CA 92648-4039 (714) 536-8523 Enclosures

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#### Regulations for Holy Cross Cemetery

- I. No Corpse admitted at the Cemetery except on presentation of a PERMIT from the Clerk, who will be ready to give such Permits at the Office at Cemetery, from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and 1 to 4 p. m., and on Sundays from 9 a. m. to 11 a. m., but only on presentation of a CERTIFI-CATE from the respective Pastor.
  - 2. Charges to be paid in advance.
- 3. VAULT .- No corpse shall be received, unless on a certificate for Christian Burial, and a Permit from the Clerk at the Office. No Corpse shall remain in the yault over five days unless the coffin be metallic and placed in a nicle Boiles eight dollars for a funeral, etc., the charges shall be three dollars per month for adults and two dollars for children, payable every six months in advance. Should any of the last three regulations be not complied with, the Superintendent shall proceed to inter the corpse.
- 4. Holders of lots are requested to give timely notice to the Superintendent when graves are required to be opened in them, and espec-

ially on Saturday, as none will be opened on Sunday,

5. No corpse, when buried to be comoved.

6. Each corpse to be ladd a x feet deep in the ground, even when monuments be erected byen the grave, or in receptacles hermetically sealed. Children under ten years must belaid five feet deep.

It is hereby expressly stipulated that no improvements in wood or iron wiell be made on this ground, and that the fillings and care of this lot when not done by the lessee in person, shall be done by the

- Superintendent of the Cemetery at reasonable rates.

  8. We monuments shall have ornaments unbecoming a sacred place. The inscriptions: Pray for me; pray for the sails of the faithful departed, or may his (or her soul rest) peace, are much recommended.
- 9. Application wast be made for certificates by a member of the family or a friend of the deceased, and the me shall order graves to be
- 10. Before making improvements this lease must be produced by the owner or contractor.
- 17. The plans and contracts for all intended monuments or other pproval of the rchbishop.
- 12. The Archbishop reserves the right to refuse permission for the erection of improper improvements, or the use of the Cemetery to persons who may make themselves objections.

  13. The grading, watering of lots and furnishing of loam will be
- done by the Superintendent.
- 14. The outside walls of plots to be but two (2) feet high, except places specified; and to come flush with outside lines of plot, so that open space shall exist between adjoining lots; the foundations for vails and monuments to be six (6) feet under ground.

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## Gatholic Gemeteries Archdiocese of San Francisco

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Colma MOUNT OLIVET CEMETERY
San Rafael

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April 27, 1995

Mrs. Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623 - 13th Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648

RE: D - 6 - 2 - 2 - 1/12 (Freese/Evans/Turner/Culin Plot)

Dear Mrs. Borkenhagen:

In response to your recent request, all the information in our burial records on those family members in the above referenced location is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a genealogy research form for any future inquiries. There is a \$20.00 per plot research fee and I have enclosed an envelope for your convenience in returning this fee.

Please be assured of our desire to be of service in all matters pertaining to the cemetery

Sincerely,

Christine O. Stinson Office Supervisor

Enclosure

March 22, 1995

Holy Cross Cemetery
Post Office Box/577
Colma CA 94015

Dear Sirs:

I know both my parents and both sets of grandparents are buried in Holy Cross, but don't know who else is buried in each plot, date of death, cause of death, age at death etc. Do you have any of that type of information in your files?

EVANS-FREESE Plot: Dor. 6-2-2-1 to 12

Father: William Hall Evans Mother: Frances Murray Evans

Grandfather: William James Evans

Grandmother: Marie Louise Masson Evans

and who else?

COLLINS Plot

Grandmother: Nora Gallagher Collins

Grandfather: John W. Collins

Aunt: Margaret Collins

and who else?

I am enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope and am willing to pay for a record search and/or for photocopies. Any information you can provide will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen

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# Gatholic Gemeteries Archdiocese of San Francisco

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Colma MOUNT OLIVET CEMETERY San Rafael HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Menlo Park

July 31, 1997

Mrs. Eleanor Evans Borkenhagen 623 - 13th Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648-4039

Re: L - 75 - 42/43

Dear Mrs. Borkenhagen:

In response to your recent request, we have enclosed a photocopy of the deed. This is a photocopy of what is on our microfilm so the copy is not great.

I would guess that Jno. was an abbreviation of John as that is what shows on the deed.

Sincerely,

Christine O. Stinson Office Supervisor Halsted N Gray -Carew + English Inc. 1123 Sutter St. SF 94109 415-673-3000 800-673-3005 FAX 415-673-3006