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STEELE CEMETERY

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Located north of Crane, Missouri. Take Hwy. 13 north to Hwy. M, go east on M until you cross the bridge, take first road north for one-quarter mile, Cemetery is west of road on top of hill. (Near Stone-Christian County line)

RILL, Mary Ella 1877-1952	STEELE, Mary M. 19 Mar 1859-17 Nov 1860	PRICE, Jerry (stone bkn) d 25 Sep 1872
HAIR, Bessie P. 1888 - 1921	Inf. Mary, b&d Apr 1869	REYNOLDS, Manda J. dau/G. & R. 10 Mar 1873-7 Mar 1884
STEELE, Cora 30 Sep 1881-20 Jul 1970	STEELE, Robert W. s/R.R. & C.C. 9 Sep 1879-26 Feb 1890	REYNOLDS, Rosann wife/ George d 27 June 1883 ae 40 y
* STEELE, David 22 Feb. 1808-17 Sep 1889 (2 stones, 1 old, 1 new)	STEELE, Hulda J. dau/R.R. & C.C. 27 Nov 1890-6 Jul 1893	CRUMPLEY, Eli inf s/ J.W. & M.E. b 30 Aug 1875 (Stone bkn)
RILL, W. Jennings 14 Oct 1906-23 Jan 1963	RAPP, Nancy Catherine 9 June 1886-1 June 1919	POPE, William 16 Aug 1852-4 Apr 1924
** STEELE, Wm. 3 May 1823-4 Feb 1884	RAPP, C. T. 1 Sep 1882-19 June 1940	POPE, Nancy A. (wf/William) 21 Dec 1849-13 Jan 1936
STEELE, Lucinda J. wife of Wm. 24 Jan 1836-16 Dec 1911	GRYDER, Velma 1905 - 1908	STINE, Clemma L. 11 Mar 1882-26 Apr 1958
STEELE, Wm. A. s/Wm. & Lucinda 29 Jan 1863-1 Jan 1882 (2 stones, 1 old, 1 new)	BROWN, Sarah L. dau/R.B. & R.G. 8 Dec 1848-15 Apr 1870	STINE, John M. 28 June 1871-13 Feb 1963
STEELE, John F. 31 May 1861-27 Jul 1896	BROWN, Ruth wife/R.B. 16 Aug 1809-28 Nov 1874	STINE, Elmo P. 18 Jul 1911-8 Dec 1939
STEELE, Luther 1883 - 1921	BROWN, R. B. 9 Jan 1819-1 Aug 1906 Co F 14 & B 8 Mo Cav	STINE, Marie dau/J.M. & C. L. 30 June 1902-24 Oct 1911
STEELE, Richard R. 26 Nov 1853-17 Nov 1938	BROWN, Susan A. wife/Rufus B. 3 Jan 1832-10 May 1904	STINE, Luke s/J.M. & C. L. 20 May 1906-2 Jan 1908
STEELE, Celia C. wife of Richard 12 Apr 1844-5 May 1920		

Fred MIESWINKEL, who listed the tombstone inscriptions, is descended from Ann STEELE, daughter of Richard and Margaret (GRAHAM) STEELE, early settlers near Rountree Spring, Greene County, MO. Ann married the Rev. Alexander Anderson YOUNG, arly and prominent minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, who was the first minister in Lawrence County. MIESWINKEL contributed the following additional data for David and William J. STEELE, brothers of Ann.

* David STEELE, b 1808, s/o Richard and Margaret (GRAHAM) STEELE, m Elizabeth CANNEFAX 15 Aug 1837, Greene Co MO

Children:

- 1) Mug (Margaret?) STEELE, b 26 Oct 1838, m (1) _____ DAVIS, killed in Civil War, One son Walter DAVIS; m(2) _____ BARNETT
- 2) Melsina STEELE, b 26 Sep 1840, m(1) Francis WOODS, killed in Civil War, one son James WOODS; m(2) Samuel ESTES, 15 children
- 3) Elizabeth Jane STEELE, b 25 Aug 1843, m(1) _____ HURST, killed in Civil War; m(2) James A. HALL

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- 4) Perlina STEELE, b ca 1845-47
- 5) William STEELE, b ca 1850
- 6) Richard STEELE, b ca 1859

** Rev. William J. STEELE, b 1823, s/o Richard and Margaret (GRAHAM) STEELE, m Lucinda BEATIE 4 Feb 1851 Greene Co MO.

Children:

- Manley STEELE, b 1851, m Mary Jane ESTES
- Richard R. STEELE, b 26 Nov 1853, m Celia C. RHODES
- Columbus S. STEELE ("Lum") b ca 1857, m Rachel SHORT
- Thomas STEELE, m Vida PHILLIPS
- John F. STEELE, b 31 May 1861, m Maine FORRESTER
- Ellen STEELE, m John HAIR
- William A. STEELE, b 29 Jan 1863, d young, unmarried
- George STEELE, b 1868

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GULF SCHOOL
 DISTRICT NO. 74
 GREENE COUNTY, MO.
 Term, 1914-1915
 Thos. V. Crance, Teacher.
 SCHOOL BOARD.
 Ed Stracke, Frank Spicer, E. B. Nurss

PUPILS.

• GIRLS. •

Arline Robertson	Ruth Kelley
Gladys Nurss	Helen Weaver
Neva Skaggs	Willia May Keene
Helen Aton	Nannie Martien
Laurine Spicer	Frances Smith
Margurite Brekenfelt	Edna Drury
Lucille Keene	Katie Stracke
Marie Murphy	Delta Skaggs
Anna Hall	Mae Hinds
Eruma Loes	Beulah Bloomer
Fredie Schotte	Georgia Smith
Emma Stager	Eula Stratton
Bertha Minor	Dorothy Walter
Florence Klaun	

• BOYS. •

Emile Stager	Henry Harpool
William Horning	John King
Lee Lachmund	Rex Cooper
Floyd Stratton	Willie Lanham
Willie Martien	Chas. Walter
Virgil Gaston	Willie Poline
Carl Schotie	Harold Bighley
Ray Hughes	Harry Ray
Earnest Mobley	Henry Day
Walter Aton	

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STEELE FAMILY GRAVEYARD

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Nearly everyone has heard the old adage "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again!" Remember this when doing genealogy. There are times when another effort will solve an old problem.

Many years ago our great-uncle, Willis YOUNG, told us our 3rd great-grandparents, Richard and Margaret STEELE were buried on the home place near Roundtree Spring, southwest of Springfield. We had tried, without success, to find the graveyard. Several houses had been built in the area, and there was little prospect of finding anything.

A few years later we were informed by Mrs. Mary Scott HAIR, of Hurley, Missouri, (who is distantly related through the SHORT family), that a STEELE descendant from California had visited several years earlier, and a man from Hurley had taken him to the grave sites. It was time to try again!

First, we visited Mrs. HAIR, and while there she called Arch BARNETT who was able to give us an approximate location near the old Slim WILSON home. A visit with an elderly man in the vicinity gave us a more definite location. We then drove to what we thought was the approximate site, and went to the door.

A young high-school-age girl answered, and we told her what we were hunting. "Do you know of any old graveyards or tombstones in this area?" "No, there are no graveyards around here," she said, "But there are some rocks with some peoples' names on them out by the well-house." "Do you mind if I look at them?" I asked. She went with me to show me where they were. There were four stones, flush with the ground, face up, placed by the well-house. And, here was the tombstone of my third great-grandmother, Margaret STEELE, which gave the date of death which we had not been able to locate.

"In Memory of /Margaret Steele/ who departed this / life June the 19, 1851 / aged 68 years. This is Margaret (GRAHAM) STEELE, wife of Richard STEELE. She was born June 9, 1783, in Rowan County, N.C., daughter of Richard and Rosannah (DOBBIN) GRAHAM, of Rowan County.

"In Memory of / Henry H. Steele / who departed this / life March 27th 1853 / aged 26 years. Henry was a son of Richard and Margaret STEELE, b ca 1827; in Williamson County, Tennessee; not known to have married.

". . . . of Jane / Steele born January the 10th . . . / Deceased / Oct . . . er / the 9th 1868? / Member of the / C. P. B. Ch."

Can anyone identify Jane?

The fourth stone had no inscription. The elderly gentleman, referred to earlier, thought there were about six burials here. Richard STEELE is believed to have been buried here also. This site is at 3540 Roundtree, Springfield, Missouri. The well-house is actually on the property adjoining on the east, and is shared by the two households.

On this same day, 1 Sept. 1973, we received a copy of the GRAHAM family Bible records, from Tennessee, giving her date of birth, and all brothers and sister. What a wonderful day!!

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Evans Evans Station

Evans Station, Greene County, was at the home of Joseph Evans, an early settler in the region. The location was nine miles north of Springfield in Township 30 N, Range 22 West, Section 23, approximately one-quarter mile east of the newly established line of Highway 13, which ran originally in front of the house. The original house and section was a two-story, dressed walnut log building with porches and red chimneys. From a survey of the few foundation and chimney ruins, the approximate dimensions of the building were: 37 feet 6 inches wide and the same long. It was between Ebenezer and Glidewell.

--Butterfield Stage: Along the Old Wire Road in Missouri and Arkansas, in the Springfield Public Library

A grist mill was built by Joseph Evans, and he ventured to erect a frame dwelling house and for years it was the admired of all admirers, everyone being curious to know how much it cost.

--Holcombe, p. 916.

Expansion

Expansion was in Washington Township and was east of Galloway. Mail via Rogersville.

--Rand, McNally, 1919.

It was situated at Sec. 12, Twp. 28 N, Range 20 West.

--Map of Greene Co., 1912, Rand, McNally.

Fair Grove

In the northeast part of the county is Fair Grove, also an old town. It is located upon the northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 31, Range 20, in Jackson Township. It is a thriving trading-point. It has a number of well-stocked stores, a fine school, two churches (1915) and is on the lately located "Lake to the Gulf Highway" from Duluth, Minn., to the Gulf of Mexico.

--Fairbanks & Tuck, Vol. 1, p. 206; personal observation.

It is situated at the junction of 65, CC & E.

Fruitland

Fruitland is in Franklin Township. There is a store here as well as several dwelling houses. It is on Highway 65 at the junction of old Buffalo Road. It is situated at Sec. 22, Twp. 30 N, Range 23 West.

--Gen. Highway Map of Greene Co.; personal observation.

(Editor's note: This listing will be continued in the next issue.)

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"Civilized man must feel that he belongs somewhere in space and time; that he consciously looks forward and looks back."

Kenneth Clark