

Cooper County Coroner Inquest Records

1824 - 1929

Name	Race	Year of Death	Cause of Death	Location of Death	Box
Erhardt, Charles W.		1824			1
Unknown		1824	Drowned	Saline Township, Bank of Missouri River, near Ledia Turner's plantation	1
Cathy, James		1826	Hanging	Boonville Township, in his home	1
Gabriel, John		1830	Struck with axe	Clear Creek Township, his year near milk house	1
Bang, Frederick L.		1831	Fit of distraction, while drinking water from stream	Boonville Township, between Boonville and Harmon E. Bidstrup's house	1
Johnson, Nancy A.		1837	External injuries to abdomen and arms	Boonville Township, in home of Claborne H. Jonson	1
Van Eye, Lua		1839	Throat cut with razor by mother	Boonville Township, in home, found by father Gearhart Van Eye	1
Morton, Joshua		1840	Gunshot	Palestine Township, found in Petite Saline Creek at Carmmer's Mill near Daniel Rasch farm	1
Comton, Henderson		1840	Apoplexy	Boonville Township, found in wagon on the Pilot Grove Road, near McGee's Grove at fork to Pilot Grove and Turley's Ferry	1
Unknown, Franklin	Negro	1843	Gunshot	Clear Creek Township, near house of William b. Gibbs	1
Unknown	Negro	1843	Umbilical cord cut, and bruised, by persons unknown	George Strucker residence, in privy vault	1
Unknown Blount	Negro	1849	An insane man; rifle ball, upper edge of breast bone- result of a fray	Clear Creek Township, at home of Thomas Cockrell	1
Tucker, Henry		1854	Illness, inhumane treatment, exposure to cold	Pettis County, Georgetown, Kidd's Hotel	1
Byler, Abraham		1862	Gunshot	Palestine Township, Byler's farm 10 miles south of Boonville in barn	1
Smith, James		1863	Gunshot and paralysis	Boonville, near Bunce's warehouse in alley running East and West; believed to have been shot by Union soldiers	1
McFadden, Matthew T.		1878	Drowned	Otterville Township, in Lamine River near residence of James Neal	1
Edwards, Albert		1878	Unknown	Boonville Township, farm of John Davis at the coal bank belonging to Leslie Smith and D. G. Davis	1
Williams, Luke		1878	Gunshot while in line of duty	Pilot Grove Township at Rudolph Schlotzhauer's residence near Pilot Grove	1

Unknown		1878	Drowned	Boonville Township, in Lamine River near lower bridge	1
Kuykendall, William		1893	Gunshot	Otterville Township, Otterville, in storeroom of Hupp Brothers grocery; after shooting W. H. Smith, shot himself.	1
Wren, Frank		1893	Gunshot	Boonville Township, near Boonville bridge	1
Hurt, J. D.		1893	Gunshot	Clark's Fork Township, in his orchard near Clark's Fork	1
Briggs, Nellie		1893	Drowned	Lamine, in Missouri River 3/4 mile from Mrs. Ried's	1
Poston, Zerilda		1893	Old age, deep cold	Kelly Township, Bunceton, found in her bed by husband	1
Fry, Alex		1894	Alcohol overdose	Boonville, jail	1
Unknown	Chinese	1894	Gunshot	Boonville, train water closet	1
Scharader, William H.		1895	Drowned	Clear Creek Township, Lamine River, mouth of Heath's Creek	1
Elliot, Margaret		1895	Struck by train	Boonville, near residence, south end of MKT bridge	1
Unknown		1895	Unknown	Pilot Grove, found on top of train car	1
Paschal, Ed		1895	Unknown	Boonville, his mother's home	1
Johnson, Charley		1895	Gunshot	Otterville, found in his father's corncrib	1
Pugh, W. B.		1895	Heart attack	Pilot Grove, found in his bed	1
Sullivan, T. J.		1895	Struck by train	Boonville on MKT rail	1
Carter, Hugh		1895	Exposure, superinduced by alcoholic indulgence	Boonville, Sibley's Island, Missouri River	1
Berry, Frank		1896	Train wreck, head-on collision	Boonville, near MKT Dept	1
Sims, B. F.		1896	Struck by train	Boonville Township, near his home	1
Butler, Charles		1896	Drowned	Blackwater Township, Lamine River, Mill Ford	1
Folkner, Mabe		1896	Drowned	Blackwater Township, Lamine River, Mill Ford	1
Cottrell, Frank		1896	Struck by train	Boonville, 1/2 miles south of town	1
Dotson, John		1896	Gunshot	Otterville, Blacksmith shop	1
Jones, Thomas	Negro	1897	Overcome by heat	Boonville, 4 miles south on farm of F. Wasserman	1
Spicer, Joseph		1897	Drowned	Clear Creek Township, 1/2 mil below Mill Dam of Julius Warden	1
Fox, Alice A., Mrs.		1897	Overdose of laudanum	Boonville, her home on West Morgan	1
Little, Philip		1897	Burned in fire of unknown origin	Boonville, train car of Sells Brothers circus, MKT tracks	1
Shrout, Hiram		1897	Injuries, thrown from buggy and dragged 80 yards	Pilot Grove Township, found 180 yards west of intersection of Chouteau and Boonville roads	1
Roberts, James		1901	Drowned	Boonville, 1 miles East of town in Missouri River	1
Holeman, Martiles		1902	Struck by train	Otterville Township, Clifton City	1
Lee, Joseph		1902	Drowned	Boonville Township, Lamine River, old ferry landing	1
Shannon, Baker		1902	Gunshot	Clark's Fork Township, his home	1
Gross, Augustus		1903	Hanging, with rope from apple tree	Pilot Grove Township, near his home	1
Drew, Mark	Negro	1903	Gunshot	Kelly Township, Bunceton, near his home	1

Stephens, E. E.		1903	Gunshot	Pleasant Green, his private room in Mrs. Melinda Wilson's Hotel	1
Meisenburger, John		1903	Poison, Carbolic Acid	Bunceton, near home	1
Knack, Otto		1903	Poison, Carbolic Acid	Fairground, southwest of town, Boonville	1
Miller, Louis	Negro	1903	Drowned	Cooper County, in ravine	1
Dow, Lorenzo	Negro	1903	Struck by train	Overton, Missouri Pacific Depot	1
Unknown		1904	Struck by train	Blackwater, 1 miles west, Missouri Pacific bridge	1
Kerrick, William		1904	Gunshot	Clark's Fork Township, his home	1
Butchers, Frank L.		1904	Unknown	Blackwater Township	1
Hirst, John R.		1904	Poison, Carbolic Acid	Kelley Township, 8 miles south of Bunceton, his residence	1
Unknown		1904	Struck by train, under influence of intoxicating liquor	Boonville Depot, on track near switch	1
Smith, Richard		1904	Blow on head, then struck by train	Pilot Grove Township, train tracks near Harris Station	1
Moore, Gertrude		1905	Unknown, not stated, possibly poison	Boonville, her residence	1
Wright, Eugene		1905	Burned, in fire of unknown origins, left alone in house	Boonville, 6th and 7th, south side of Arch Street	1
Jefferies, Samuel		1905	Unknown	Blackwater, 8 miles southwest in field of Charley Carroll	1
McGruder, H. C.		1905	Gunshot, by James Joyce	Pilot Grove, garden of James Joyce	1
Daughtery, John W.		1905	Gunshot, by John Sons	Blackwater, Daughtery's house	1
Courtney, Helen		1905	Collision of gasoline launch Milda and Bell Telephone wires over Missouri River	Boonville, above bridge	1
Varney, Nellie		1905	Collision of gasoline launch Milda and Bell Telephone wires over Missouri River	Boonville, above bridge	1
Hoefflon, W. P.		1905	Overdose, Strychnine and Morphine	Boonville, Million Hotel, Room #27	1
Passage, Bert		1905	Struck by train, slipped while boarding caboose	Boonville, Depot	1
Hess, Eugene M.		1905	Gunshot	Boonville, his home on Spring Street in cellar	1
Bell, J. W.		1906	Drowned, in a fit of insanity	Boonville, 4 1/2 miles East, C. C. Bell Fruit Far, in cistern	1
Kerner, Robert		1906	Strangulation - head caught between 2 fence pickets after fall	Boonville, East side of 6th Street between Morgan and High Streets	1
Unknown		1906	Burned, in fire of unknown origins	Kelly Township, Barn of John F. Vick	1
Dougherty, Len		1906	Gunshot	Blackwater, his home near town	1
Ziegel, Claude		1906	Gunshot, by Casper Langlotz while forcing entry into home	Boonville, at home of Langlotz	1
Minnick, Unknown		1906	Drowned	Boonville Township, Missouri River	1
Draffen, D. T.		1906	Gunshot	Boonville, Main Street, in his office over the clothing store of John M. Williams	1

Unknown	White	1907	Unknown	Boonville Township, buried in pasture on farm of Rudolph Toennes	1
Larkins, John		1907	Struck by train	Pilot Grove, 1/2 mile south of town on train tracks of Missouri, Kansas, and Texas Railroad	1
Cary, Jeff		1908	Tuberculosis - Hemorrhage of lungs	Boonville, West Chesnutt, in livery barn of James Ross	1
Walker, Henry		1908	Drowned, from epileptic fit	Boonville, in a branch running through pasture near house of Paul Philip Viertel	1
Eckler, Anton		1908	Strangulation, with rope	Pleasant Green, 1 mile from town, storage building on his farm	1
Drew, Layton	Negro	1908	Hanging	Bunceton, his barn	1
Pea, Marion		1908	Unknown	Lamine, 5 miles from town on farm of King Kincaid, in log cabin, his room	1
Oerly, John O.		1908	Gunshot	Saline Township, Goochs Mill, shop of Case and Manson	1
Unknown; Alias of Edward O'Conner		1908	Struck by train	Boonville, quarry east of town	1
Klamon, Samuel		1909	Knife Wound	Boonville, Missouri Training School for Boys, kitchen	1
Patterson, J. C.		1909	Heart disease	Boonville, Missouri Pacific Depot	1
Smothers, O. L.		1909	Injuries, from fall from bridge	Boonville, M K & T Railroad bridge	1
Zollinger, A. L., Mrs.		1909	Poison, Carbolic Acid	Otterville, 2 miles east of town, in her house	1
Anderson, Paul		1909	Injuries, due to collision of two trains	Boonville Township	1
Smith, Elias		1910	Broken neck and spine, due to frozen earth falling	Boonville, Missouri School for Boys, brickyard	1
Elliott, Belle; Alias of Mary E. Elliott		1910	Unknown	Boonville, in her residence on 2nd and High Street	1
Doehne, Julius		1910	Gunshot	Boonville Township, Billingsville, his residence near town	1
Rush, Allen		1910	Gunshot	Clark's For, Township, his residence	1
Tindall, Richard		1910	Alcoholic poisoning	Boonville, 2 miles east of town, Missouri Pacific Railroad tracks	1
Strait, E. A.		1910	Injuries, due to collision of 2 trains	Boonville, train yards	1
Nelson, George W.		1910	Apoplexy	Boonville, George Brickner's residence	1
Finnell, E.		1910	Injuries, due to collision of 2 trains - carelessness of night watchman	Blackwater, 7 miles east of town	1
Frederick, L. C.		1910	Injuries, due to collision of 2 trains - carelessness of night watchman	Blackwater, 7 miles east of town	1
Kuhn, E.		1910	Injuries, due to collision of 2 trains - carelessness of night watchman	Blackwater, 7 miles east of town	1
Roth, C. H.		1910	Injuries, due to collision of 2 trains - carelessness of night watchman	Blackwater, 7 miles east of town	1
Maddox, America		1910	Knife wound to neck	Palestine Township, Bell Air, 1/2 mile south of town, her barn	1

Walters, Louis		1910	Strangulation, by hanging	Boonville, 6 miles west, his barn	1
Cary, Roan, Mrs.		1911	Apoplexy	Boonville, 5 miles south of town, her residence	1
Robinson, James		1911	Injuries, struck by train - slipped off train	Boonville, boarded train at Kansas City	1
Herbert, T. C.		1911	Injuries, due to being crushed between two train cars during coupling procedure - his own carelessness	Boonville	1
Pinkett, William		1911	Heart disease, mitral	Boonville, 5 miles east, farm of Henry Efinger	1
Wolfscale, William H.		1911	Heart disease, dilation	Boonville, his home	1
Spillars, J. R.		1911	Injuries, due to fall from train	Boonville, Depot	1
Smith, Happy A.		1911	Apoplexy	Boonville, his residence	1
Stegner, Annie		1912	Gunshot	Boonville, her residence	1
Crews, Alice		1912	Heart disease, mitral	Boonville, found by husband	1
Hirsch, Henry		1914	Drowned	Lamine River, near Steve Shoemaker's farm	2
Coleman, Sterling	Negro	1914	Gunshot, by burglar trap	Pleasant Green, store of W. M. Taylor	2
Cole, Larkie		1916	Suffocation, result of Epileptic fit, was submerged in mud and water.	Clear Creek Township, Sweeney, near Stone Grocery Store	1
Williams, Henry		1916	Blow on head, with blunt instrument by Henry Pinkett	Boonville, Henry Pinkett's residence	1
Stewart, George		1916	Struck by train	Otterville Township, east of Lamine River, near telephone pole 173.18	1
Bailey, Allie M.; Alias: Allie May		1917	Suffocation, probably accident	Wooldridge	1
Carpenter, Phillip N.		1917	Injuries, by persons unknown	Boonville, alley between 5th and 6th Streets	1
Frisby, James		1917	Blow on head, with piece of iron, possibly by John Jones	Pilot Grove Township, Pilot Grove, back door of bank	1
Katz, Albert J.		1917	Heart dilation, caused by over extension in supervised fight with George E. Lewis	Boonville, Kemper Military Academy	1
Mosler, Frank		1919	Drowned	Boonville Township, 1 1/4 mile west of Maron Station, backwaters of Missouri River, right-of-way of the Missouri Pacific Railway Company	2
Ryan, Louis P.		1920	Struck by train	Boonville, switch yards of Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company	2
Zimmerscheid, Jane, Mrs.		1921	Struck by train	Otterville, 1 mile east of town, near the Missouri Pacific Railway bridge	2
Zimmerscheid, Sophia		1921	Struck by train	Otterville, 1 mile east of town, near the Missouri Pacific Railway bridge	2
Widel, John Sr.		1922	Gunshot, by son in self-defense	Lamine Township, his residence	1
Harper, Landon		1922	Gunshot, by Ernest Gooseberry	Boonville, 5th and Morgan Streets	1
Beanman, Frank		1922	Explosion, dynamite	Boonville, 3 1/2 miles east of town, Bell Farm	1
Green, Jesse		1922	Explosion, dynamite	Boonville, 3 1/2 miles east of town, Bell Farm	1

McCormick, Mary		1922	Burned, in fire started by smoking in bed	Pilot Grove, Frank Schuster farm	1
Gatarde, Peter; Alias: Italian Pete		1924	Struck by train, or causes unknown	Blackwater, 1 mile east near overhead bridge	1
Ringe, Walter; Alias: The Popcorn Man		1924	Fractured skull and broken neck, in automobile accident - other driver, Robert Jackson	Boonville, West Spring Street, between 4th and 5th Streets	1
Hesher, Fred b.		1924	Blow on head, struck with baseball bat by LeRoy Miller	Boonville, Missouri Reformatory for Boys	1
Long, Henry		1924	Knife wounds, by father in self-defense	Boonville	2
Winkelmeyer, Tina Louise		1925	Drowned	Boonville, in Missouri River	2
Vieth, Fred C.		1925	Gunshot	Boonville, his home	2
Back, William Herman		1925	Struck by train	Boonville, 200 feet west of Reform School spur, east of town, Missouri Pacific River Route track	2
Stephens, Randall E.		1926	Drowned	Boonville, Missouri Reformatory Lake	2
Whitman, Walter H.		1926	Drowned	Boonville, Missouri Reformatory Lake	2
Hopkins, Farris		1926	Gunshot	Wooldridge, in bank vault	2
Turner, Emil B.		1926	Gunshot, by Cecil Cockrill	Boonville, Nixon Farm Mortgage	2
Schmidt, Ina		1927	Gunshot, by Charles Reed	Otterville, in car	2
Sturtz, Fred		1927	Injuries, by persons unknown	Boonville Township, Missouri River near Sand Works	2
Conrad, Bertha		1927	Injuries, from automobile accident	Otterville, 1 miles east at Lamine River bridge	2
Nixon, A. F.		1928	Gunshot	Wooldridge, at G. H. Brockman's workshop	2
Back, Ernest A.		1928	Heart disease, valvular	Boonville, Knights of Pythias Hall	2
Carter, Henry		1928	Injuries, from automobile crash of dairy-owned truck driven by George W. Lacy and gravel truck owned by Davis Construction, driven by P. B. Ray	Boonville, intersection of 3rd and Walnut Streets	2
Unknown, either Frank Riley or Ernest Westerman		1929	Struck by train	Boonville, 1/2 mile south of depot, Missouri, Kansas and Texas right-of-way	2
Unknown		1929	Drowned	Boonville, 8 miles west in Missouri River beside farm of Charles Dreschel	2
Warfield, Milford		1929	Gunshot, by Douglas Ashlock	Boonville, St. Joseph's Hospital	2

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