Lonjers Private Burial Ground

Inquire and please, ask permission to enter private property.

Civil Township:

Clarks Fork

Quadrant Map:

Lone Elm

General Location:

Northwest of Prairie Home

Congressional Township:

Township 47-N; Range 16-W

Section:

Southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 10

Longitude & Latitude:

To Be Determined

Directions:

Atlas Survey:

1877 Land Atlas – no cemetery symbol on M. Lonjers land.

1915 Land Atlas – a cemetery symbol on Johanna Lebbing land.

1978 Plat Book – no cemetery symbol on Vin Jang Lee land.

1991 Plat Book – a cemetery symbol on Simon Burkholder land.

History:

J. D. Crain came to Cooper County in 1899. In 1918, he bought the Lebbing heir's place . . . formerly the Herman Longer's (son of Marinus) place. The substantial farm house was erected more than fifty years ago (1919) and is in good condition. Nearby is the grave of Marinus Lonjers, surrounded by an iron fence and neatly kept. The headstone notes that Marinus Lonjers was born March 2, 1827 and died on June 28, 1874. Marinus Lonjers was one of the original members of the German Evangelical Lutheran Church at Clark's Fork, erected in 1860. From "The History of Cooper County, Missouri" by Johnson

It has been told that the reason for his being buried on private ground - was that he committed suicide and thereby could not be interred in the "Sacred Ground" of the church cemetery.

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Lonjers Marinus: born 02 Mar 1827; died 28 Jun 1874