

Indian Park or Jarre Canyon Cemetery, Sedalia, Douglas County, Colorado

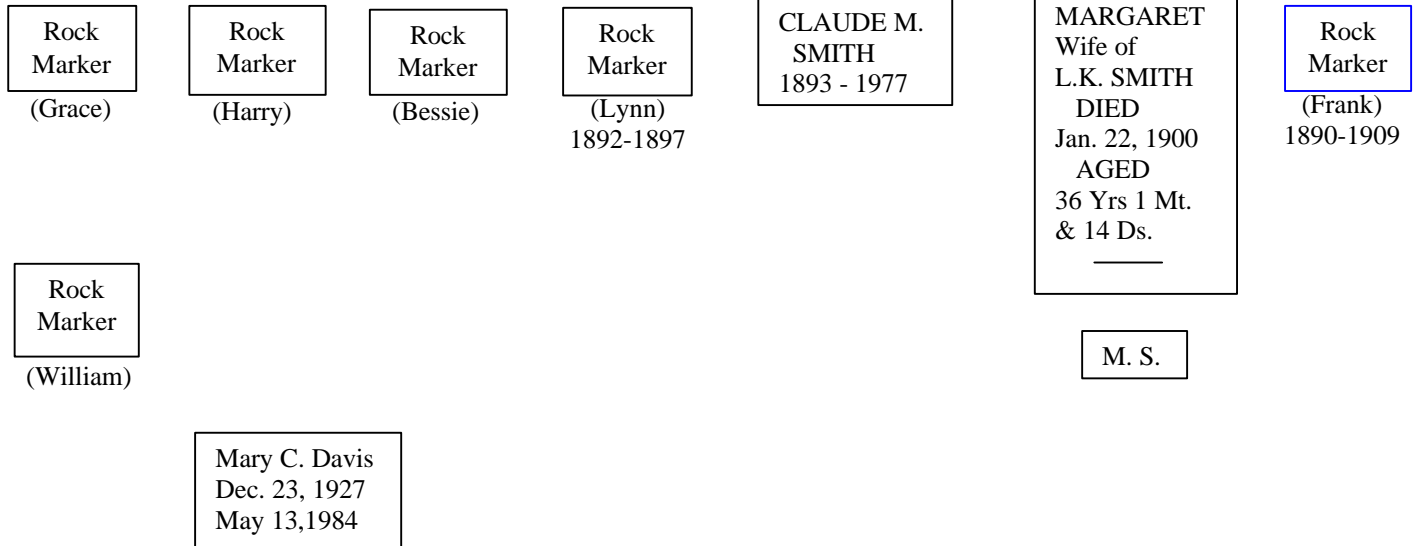
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The Jarre Canyon Cemetery is located on Jarre Canyon Road (Colo. 67) 0.5 miles past the Giddy Up Go store.
On North side, 100 yards North of Indian Park School. (Sec 2, R69W, T8S – NE1/4, SW1/4)

In this area are the graves of the Brown children. The Brown's lived in the house across the road from the schoolhouse and cemetery.

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Hannah Smith born June 22, 1843 in Yorkshire, England, left Liverpool at the age of 14 and was on board the ship for three weeks.

William Smith freighted merchandise from St. Joseph, Missouri to Idaho Springs, Colorado by ox team with the trip taking six months.

William and Hannah were married in St. Joseph, Missouri and came to Colorado in 1883 and went into the sawmill business. They had six children:

Ollie & Lottie- they married Will and Frank Kendall and lived in the Castle Rock area. They were in the lumber business.

William (boot) Smith – buried in Ft. Collins, Colorado

Leonard Smith – buried in Briggsdale, Colorado

Charley Smith – buried in Jarre Canyon near an old farm in a valley about one mile before the Indian Park schoolhouse.

Elmer Smith – died in California

William and Hannah Smith owned land on both sides of the road. William donated one acre of land for the schoolhouse. When William Smith died in the winter months the snow was too deep to take his body to town so his wife, Hannah had him buried behind the schoolhouse and subsequently deeded the land to School District No. 7 for a cemetery.

In September 1963, Claude Smith (grandson of William and Hannah) and Helen Pierce (great-granddaughter of William and Hannah) built the fence around the cemetery. Helen Pierce gathered rocks and made the “rock markers” from information supplied by Claude Smith. Claude Smith’s ashes were laid in the cemetery in 1977.

Hannah Smith died May 3, 1911 in Briggsdale, Colorado and is buried in Bear Creek Cemetery near Sedalia, Colorado. Leonard Smith, son of William and Hannah Smith, married Margaret Kirby. Their children were: Grace, Harry, Bessie, Lynn, Frank, Claude, Rose Smith Pine (buried in Broomfield, Colorado), Sylvia Smith Pierce (buried in Oak Creek, Colorado).

Leonard Smith later married Etta Benton and moved to Briggsdale, Colorado in 1910. He died there in 1940.

Mary C. Davis was the historian for the Indian Park Schoolhouse Association and is the last person to be buried in the cemetery.