

## MARKERS & OWNERSHIP

Prior to the sale of the cemetery to developers in 1969, nearly all of the grave markers had been removed, though many of the graves remained, and very few of the markers have been relocated to Mountain View Cemetery. Most of the markers are said to have been moved to an unidentified barn in the Stateline area.

The land comprising the Historic McCool Cemetery is currently in four ownerships. The large eastern portion of the cemetery is owned by Traditions at Walla Walla, LLC, a Spokane-based firm which operates the adjacent Affinity retirement facility. An unmarked path leads up to the cemetery from that facility. Most of the western portion of the cemetery is owned by Pinecrest Village, Inc, which developed the adjacent condominiums and streets, and hopes in the future to develop the remaining cemetery ground. Other than one private residence, the balance of the cemetery consists of a portion of the city street and adjacent public right of way owned by the City of Walla Walla.

The City of Walla Walla has given Walla Walla 2020 permission to place a roadside sign on the city's portion of the historic cemetery. Traditions at Walla Walla, LLC, has declined an offer by Walla Walla 2020 to place a sign on its path in order to identify the cemetery, as has Pinecrest Village, Inc.

More information on the history of the cemetery and the graves discovered there is available online at [www.ww2020.net/historic-sites](http://www.ww2020.net/historic-sites).

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## WALLA WALLA 2020 HISTORIC RESEARCH & PLAQUE SERVICE

*If you would like to honor a building or property by obtaining a research report on its history all the way back to when it was bare ground owned by local Tribes, and by displaying a handsome plaque listing the date of construction, along with the names of owners and builders, you can do so by contacting the Walla Walla 2020 Historic Research & Plaque Service.*

*For qualifying properties, Walla Walla 2020 will research the title, construction, and occupant history, and provide a written report along with proposed plaque language. The research fee for residences is \$100; the fee for other properties ranges from \$150-\$250 depending on the complexity of the title and occupancy history.*

*Qualifying properties may be in any neighborhood but must be more than 50 years old, and have retained their architectural integrity. For those properties accepted, a photo of the current property along with the completed research report will be included in the Walla Walla 2020 Interactive Map of Historic Properties available on the internet at [www.ww2020.net](http://www.ww2020.net) under the Architecture & Neighborhoods tab.*

*Following completion of the report, the property owner may order a plaque for display on the property. The cost of a basic 9"x 6" six-line plaque is \$50, with additional lines and sizes available on request.*

*Application information is available online at [www.ww2020.net](http://www.ww2020.net) under the Architecture & Neighborhoods tab.*

**Historic Sites & Markers Project.** *If you would like to help with the marking & interpretation of other significant sites in the Walla Walla area, please send tax-deductible donations to Walla Walla 2020, PO Box 1222, Walla Walla WA 99362, email [ww2020@charter.net](mailto:ww2020@charter.net) or call 509-522-0399.*

# MCCOOL CEMETERY HISTORY



2013 aerial view with superimposed survey of the original boundaries of the McCool Cemetery

*Village Way, Walla Walla*



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# THE HISTORIC MCCOOL CEMETERY

Because of overcrowding at the city's first Catholic cemetery established near the corner of 6th and Alder in 1859, a plot of land known as the McCool Cemetery was dedicated in 1867 and acquired from Robert McCool in 1869, measuring 450' x 152'. After overcrowding there as well, in October 1891 a new Catholic Cemetery was purchased adjoining the Mountain View municipal cemetery on Second Avenue.

On October 31, 1969, on the assumption that all burials here had been removed to the new cemetery, the Catholic Bishop of Spokane sold the McCool Cemetery ground to developers. Official records show fewer than half of the several hundred Catholic burials at McCool to be reinterred at Mt. View.

In the 1970's, during construction of Pine Crest Village and Village Way, human remains were encountered in the street and on residential lots. From 2002-2005, professional archaeological excavations documented the presence of additional burials both inside and outside the boundaries of the deeded cemetery. Some evidence also indicates the site may have been used as a burial ground prior to its acquisition for a Catholic cemetery.

As required by law, the boundaries of the originally deeded cemetery have been expanded to incorporate the area where additional burials have been found. All of the site is now protected from further disturbance by Washington's Historic Cemeteries and Graves Act, unless and until all remaining graves are removed as provided for in RCW 68.24.090.

Partial church records show 159 persons buried at McCool during the period October 1869 to July 1872, and January 1884 to October 1891 who are not listed as reinterred at Mountain View Cemetery. Burial records from 1872-1883 were not available and are not included. Following is a list of the 159 persons not shown as reinterred. This list and additional information on the McCool Cemetery is available on the internet at [www.wv2020.net/historic-sites](http://www.wv2020.net/historic-sites).

Abel, James, April 16, 1888  
 Augustin, Michael, April 30, 1884  
 Baker, John, Feb. 18, 1870  
 Barker, E.E. Jan. 4, 1887  
 Barry, Honora, July 8, 1890  
 Bauer, Peter, Dec. 11, 1890  
 Besset, Henry, June 10, 1870  
 Bierger, John, Jan. 26, 1889  
 Bishoff, George, Jan. 28, 1887  
 Brennan, S. Jan. 16, 1885  
 Bressoit, August, Feb. 3, 1888  
 Brown, Rosa, May 29, 1891  
 Buckley, M, Apr 13, 1884  
 Butler, Thomas Michael, Dec. 30, 1884  
 Cahill, Grace, Feb. 23, 1889  
 Camaskey, Patrick, Nov. 25, 1885  
 Cameron, D., April 5, 1886  
 Carolane, Peter, July 10, 1887  
 Carpenter, Eduard, June 7, 1885  
 Carpenter, Guillemi, Jan. 23, 1887  
 Carroll, John, March 15, 1870  
 Chabot, Anna, Feb. 26, 1887  
 Chisholm, John, Feb. 28, 1870  
 Clarke, Maria, Nov. 13, 1885  
 Clarke, Rosa, Sept. 4, 1888  
 Conichen, D, Dec. 7, 1887  
 Cooney, Thomas, Nov. 17, 1888  
 Coseta, Francis, March 18, 1891  
 Costello, Mrs., Oct. 2, 1888  
 Costiliones, John, July 24, 1885  
 Creighton, James, Oct. 31, 1889  
 Cullin, Maria, Aug. 20, 1886  
 Dorrcott, Thomas, Feb. 28, 1891  
 Doyle, Anna, July 11, 1884,  
 Doyle, Elizabeth, Jan. 7, 1889  
 Duffy, Philip, Jan. 12, 1889  
 Dunlap, G.W., May 24, 1884  
 Dunn, M. Ellen Aug. 11, 1888  
 Dyke, Rosa, Feb. 22, 1891  
 Egan, John, Dec. 13, 1887  
 Elfus, John, Jan. 15, 1884  
 Felkey, Maria, Dec. 12, 1887  
 Fitzgerald, Wm. Francis, Dec. 27, 1884  
 Fitzpatrick, Jacob, May 24, 1885  
 Galabere, Rosa, March 17, 1886  
 Gaston, Hanna, Dec. 19, 1886  
 Gates, Henry, April 20, 1887  
 Gates, Rudolph, April 14, 1887  
 Grant, George, Sept. 25, 1870  
 Grow, Hugh, June 21, 1891  
 Grow, O. July 17, 1891  
 Harer, Francis Anton, Aug. 27, 1884  
 Hartman, Maggy, Jan. 25, 1887  
 Hayes, John, Sept. 15, 1889  
 Hebert, Joseph, Dec. 16, 1869  
 Hoffmans, Carolina, Sept. 16, 1889  
 Hogarty, D, Aug. 2, 1884  
 Hollygan, John, Sept. 18, 1891  
 Huchison, George, Oct. 6, 1888  
 Hughes, William, Jan. 10, 1884  
 Jedges, John Edward, Aug. 31, 1885  
 Jacob, Joseph, June 21, 1870  
 Keeny, Sarah, March 29, 1884  
 Kegan, Ch. Richard, Sept. 28, 1887  
 Kelly, James G., Feb. 15, 1885  
 Kennedy, William, Oct. 22, 1884  
 Krait, Elizabeth, Nov. 18, 1885  
 Kinslow, Alice, Oct. 4, 1869  
 Kinzie, Catherine, July 19, 1888  
 Kirk, Mary, Feb. 12, 1891  
 Kitchen, Ruby, Sept. 8, 1891  
 Klickner, Joseph, Oct. 27, 1886  
 Kohlhauff, Mary A. Feb 20, 1872  
 Lafferty, Patrick, April 5, 1889  
 Lapierre, Charles, July 15, 1871  
 Lanrenz, James, Jan. 30, 1888  
 Leboncher, Eugene, Nov. 22, 1889  
 Leroux, M. Catherine, April 11, 1886  
 Longin, Francis, Sept. 5, 1885  
 Lynch, Marguerite, Oct. 26, 1884  
 Maloin, Madeleine, Oct. 15, 1871  
 Manon, Michael, July 9, 1887  
 Mays, Mary, Oct. 2, 1886  
 McCarthy, Thomas, March 28, 1887  
 McCarty, Jan. 21, 1871  
 McDonald, Frank, June 8, 1888  
 McGann, Edward, Oct. 16, 1891  
 McGolderich, James, Aug. 23, 1888  
 McMahan, L, Sept. 19, 1891  
 McManus, Patrick, April 6, 1888  
 McMullen, Catherine, April 6, 1890  
 McMulli, Rober, Aug. 23, 1889  
 McNamara, John, Feb. 2, 1887  
 McNamara, Patrick, May 5, 1871  
 McQuaid, Joseph, March 16, 1884  
 Michels, Eugene, Feb. 20, 1884  
 Miller, Mary, Oct. 11, 1888  
 Monion, Mary, Sept. 14, 1888  
 Moody, Mary Elizabeth, Nov. 25, 1871  
 Moran, Antoine, Sept. 4, 1887  
 Moran, Emeline Gagnon, Sept. 30, 1879  
 Morrissey, John, Sept. 2, 1885  
 Murphy, James, Aug. 4, 1888  
 Murray, Eliza, Jan. 5, 1889  
 Murray, Morris, Aug. 31, 1887  
 Murray, Thomas, Aug. 3, 1887  
 Nehue, Charles, April 9, 1871  
 Neustram, Johanna, Aug. 15, 1890  
 Noel, John Baptist, Aug. 25, 1888  
 O'Brien, James, Nov. 1, 1870  
 O'Brien, Josef, Oct 9, 1886  
 O'Donnell, Elizabeth, Sept. 13, 1886  
 O'Donnell, Eva, Oct. 6, 1886  
 O'Neil, Eva, Nov. 21, 1886  
 O'Neil, Henry, Feb. 13, 1890  
 O'Neil, Hugo, July 11, 1888  
 O'Rourke, Bridget, Dec. 1, 1889  
 O'Rourke, Mary, May 8, 1889  
 O'Rourke, Patrick, March 17, 1887  
 Paquet, Basile, July 7, 1872  
 Parent, Simeon, July 14, 1888  
 Peasner, John, Jan. 19, 1891  
 Phillips, Richard, March 7, 1889  
 Poirier, Agustine, Aug. 23, 1891  
 Quinn, Charles, March 16, 1891  
 Racket, John Baptist, Jan. 5, 1889  
 Richardson, Mrs., Dec. 17, 1890  
 Roberts, Marie M, July 19, 1886  
 Roberts, R Joseph, Aug. 1, 1888  
 Roddey, Anna, June 24, 1888  
 Rodriguez, Appolonia, Feb. 18, 1888  
 Rondema, Andrew, June 11, 1891  
 Sachs, John Augustus, Feb. 2, 1884  
 Scaroni, Ch. Francis, July 21, 1888  
 Sharkey, Daniel, June 5, 1885  
 Shea, Mrs. Michael, Dec. 15, 1889  
 Shea, Michael, March 10, 1888  
 Shea, Mrs. Time, Aug. 17, 1887  
 Shea, Tom, March 15, 1884  
 Sheppard, Alonzo, March 7, 1889  
 Smith, Francis, July 9, 1885  
 Smith, Malcolm, Oct. 30, 1889  
 Smith, Mark, Nov. 5, 1887  
 Stentzel, Edward, July 7, 1887  
 Sullivan, John, Jan. 24, 1889  
 Sullivan, Michael, May 5, 1890  
 Thibaut, Adeleine, Sept. 28, 1889  
 Thomas, Francis, Sept. 4, 1871  
 Thompson, Eleodora, June 1, 1885  
 Tobin, Walter, Oct. 7, 1889  
 Walsh, James, Sept. 7, 1886  
 Walter, Thomas, Sept. 29, 1870  
 Ward, Charles, Feb. 28, 1872  
 Washington, Alfred, March 5, 1870  
 Weber, M.E. Aug. 1, 1887  
 Werner, Anna, Sept 21, 1889  
 Werner, John, June 4, 1887  
 Wire, Oscar, April 12, 1891  
 Zimmerman, M. Magd, Jan. 29, 1889.