

TROTT BROOK CEMETERY GENEALOGY



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My interest in Trott Brook Cemetery was stimulated when I learned through genealogy that my great-great-grandparents, Solomon S. and Margaret E. Jordan Thorn(e), were buried there. My cousin, Evonne Wallin, and I have worked together on the Thorne family genealogy over a number of years. What was shown as Rice Lake on the 1888 Ramsey plat map and as US Government on a 1914 plat map is now named Thorn Lake as Solomon and Margaret Thorn(e)'s farm bordered the lake's east side.

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TROTT BROOK CEMETERY HISTORY

Trott Brook Cemetery is located in the City of Ramsey, Anoka County, Minnesota. Ramsey was the Township of Ramsey prior to becoming a city. The cemetery is located on Trunk Highway 47 just north of 173rd Ave. Trott Brook runs west to east across Trunk Highway 47 just north of the cemetery and through property once owned by Joseph Trott. Both the brook and cemetery were named after him.

What is a cemetery? An unknown author defined a cemetery as a place where lives are commemorated, deaths are recorded, families are reunited, memories are made tangible and love is undisguised. Communities accord respect, families bestow reverence, historians seek information and our heritage is thereby enriched. Testimonies of devotion, pride and remembrance are cast in bronze to pay warm tribute to accomplishments and to life, not to the death, of a loved one. The cemetery is a homeland for memorials that are a sustaining source of comfort to the living. The cemetery is a history of people, a perpetual record of yesterday and a sanctuary of peace and quiet today. A cemetery exists because every life is worth loving and remembering – Always.

Cemetery grave monuments, markers and memorials all tell a story to people who pass by and through a cemetery. The story might be grand and glorious, or solemn and sad, but the story is what moves people and there is no better place to find stories than the nearest cemetery. Marking a grave is a tradition that dates back thousands of years and will probably continue for thousands more.

This story is a history of the cemetery and a bit on the Ramsey population growth along with a synopsis of the Trott Brook Cemetery burials in each plot and the interrelationship of the people within each plot and between plots as described in the genealogy section.

Joseph Trott received a Land Patent on April 3, 1857 for 160 acres from which the cemetery land was provided. A Land Patent documents the transfer of land ownership from the Federal government to individuals. Joseph's Land Patent was for the S1/2 of Section 2, Township 32N and Range 25W and for the N1/2 of Section 11, Township 32N and Range 25W. Two of Joseph's children were buried in the cemetery about 1858. Joseph and his wife, Esther, deeded a portion of their property for the cemetery on November 19, 1868. The portion that was deeded was 8 rods (132 feet) by 12 rods (198 feet) in the southwest corner of their Section 2 Land Patent property. The deed was filed on November 25, 1868 with Anoka County (See Figure A on page 3). The first recorded burial occurred in 1868.

Many of the people buried at Trott Brook had farmsteads in the area around the cemetery from the 1850s to the early 1900s. Early farmsteads were, in many cases, obtained with Land Patents, which provided proof of ownership. The following people buried at Trott Brook received Land Patents in the area - Joseph Trott (1857), Samuel Littlefield (1855), Andrew J. McKenney (1855), father to Melvin McKenney, William Tennison (1856), husband of Zilpha Trott Tennison and Sarah Cooper Porter Tennison, John Butterfield (1887), Isaac C. Varney (1854), William Varney (1854) and John W. Hill (1874), father to Jesse Hill. Several burials have come primarily from descendants and relatives of these people.

ORIGINAL TROTT BROOK CEMETERY DEED

This Deed was made this Nineteenth day of November in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty Eight Between Joseph Scott and Esther Trott of the County of Tazewell the State of Minnesota Grantors of the first part and The Town of Ramsey a body corporate in the County of Tazewell and State of Minnesota Grantee of the second part Wherefore That the said Grantors of the first part in consideration of the sum of One (\$1) Dollar to them in hand paid to the said Grantee of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do hereby Grant Bargain Sell and Convey unto the said Grantee of the second part and Assigns Forever all that Tract or Parcel of Land lying and being in the County of Tazewell and State of Minnesota described as follows to wit;

Commencing at a point on the corner Section line between the South East Quarter and the South West Quarter of Section Two (2) of Township No. Thirty Two (32) North of Range No. Twenty Five (25) West 4th Mer. Which said point is distant Ten (10) rods South from the corner Section corner between Sections Two (2) and Eleven (11) of said Township & Range.

Thence North 8 rods South, Thence Twelve (12) rods East, Thence Eight (8) rods South Thence Twelve (12) rods West to the point of beginning containing 26 rods of land more or less.

FIGURE A

Do have and to hold the same together with all the
rights and appurtenances thereto belonging
unto the said party of the first part and assigns forever.

And the said Joseph Groth party of the first part
for himself his heirs executors and administrators
doth covenant with the said party of the second
part his and assigns that he as well as he and
his heirs and assigns doth and lawfully claim and
good right to sell and convey the same premises
and form aforesaid that the same are free from all
incumbrances and the above bargained and sold
lands and premises in the quiet and peaceable possession
of the said party of the second part his and assigns
against all persons lawfully claiming or to claim
the whole or any part thereof the said party of the
first part with Warrant and Defect.

In Testimony Whereof The said party of the first part
hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year
first above written.

Signed Sealed and delivered

In Presence of	} Joseph Groth	Seal
Wm L. Butterfield		Seal
Frank Cooper	} O. Esther Groth	Seal
		50 cent Revenue Stamp

State of Minnesota }
County of Anoka } ss. I, Wm L. Butterfield a Notary
Public within and for said County do hereby certify
that on the 19th day of November A.D. 1868 personally
came before me Joseph Groth and O. Esther Groth his
wife to me well known as the same persons described
in and who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that they executed the same freely and
voluntarily.

Notary Seal } Wm L. Butterfield
Return Public

Filed November 25th 1868 at 3 P.M.

This Indenture Made this Twenty Eighth day of
November in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand
eight hundred and Sixty Eight Between Catherine
Whelan of the County of Anoka and State of Minnesota
Party of the first part and John Groth and Kate
Groth of the County of Anoka and State of Minnesota
Party of the second part Witnesseth That the said party

Land ownership has evolved in the United States over a long period of time starting with squatters who moved into unsettled areas and built on land they did not own. Then in 1841, Congress passed a Pre-emption Act that applied to all squatters. A squatter who lived on surveyed government land and made improvements had the right to buy that land before anyone else could do so. When the land the squatter occupied was offered for sale, the squatter could buy up to 160 acres for \$1.25 an acre.

In 1862, Congress passed the Homestead Act which provided that any person over 21 who was the head of a family and either a citizen or alien, who intended to become a citizen, could obtain title to 160 acres of public land if he lived on the land for five years and improved it. Or the settler could pay \$1.25 an acre in place of the residency requirement. When the Land Patent actually came into existence is not known for this article, although the United States established a Patent Office in 1802. A patent is an official paper issued by a national government to indicate ownership of property. The opportunity to own land is what probably brought settlers to the Trott Brook Cemetery area. A good number of them came from the State of Maine.

There are two predominant groups of people in the cemetery. One group, with Maine connections, comes from the descendants of William McKenney (1792) and Ruth Douglas McKenney (1794). These McKenneys are the ties to the Trotts, Tennisons, Littlefields, Giles, Varneys, Demarests, McLeods and Thornes buried at Trott Brook Cemetery. This group was among the early settlers in Ramsey Township, Trott Brook Cemetery area, in the mid 1850's. Many of these names can be found on the 1888 Ramsey Township Plat Map (See Figure B on page 6).

The second group comes from descendants of William Evans Keillor (1912) and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922). This group settled in Ramsey Township, Trott Brook Cemetery area, in the early 1879 – 1891 time period. They connect all of the Keillors, Crandalls, Hunts, Loucks, Luthis, Blumers, Davises, Johnsons, Ducommuns and Amies buried at Trott Brook Cemetery. The first Keillors, Crandalls, Hunts and Loucks came from Canada. This group has more direct descendants and relationships than the McKenney group. Some of these names can be seen on the 1914 Ramsey Township Plat Map (See Figure C on page 7).

The area around Trott Brook Cemetery changed over the years as the Township of Ramsey did in transition to becoming the City of Ramsey. The 1850 and 1860 time period saw the land settlement by people harvesting timber and converting land to agriculture use and establishing farmsteads. The timber harvest dwindled and agriculture became the primary land use until around 1950 or so. Residential, commercial and industrial development has progressed since then to where the agricultural land use is rather limited. These changes came with the population growth as shown on page 8.

RAMSEY TOWNSHIP

1888 PLAT MAP

Trott Brook Cemetery



Source: Anoka County Minnesota 1888 Plat Map, Anoka County Genealogical Society, June 2000

FIGURE B

RAMSEY TOWNSHIP

1914 PLAT MAP



Source: A History of the City of Ramsey, 1976

FIGURE C

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RAMSEY POPULATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
1860	192	City of Ramsey Book
1880	387	City of Ramsey Book
1900	490	City of Ramsey Book
1920	609	City of Ramsey Book
1940	583	City of Ramsey Book
1960	1,179	US Census
1970	2,360	US Census
1980	10,093	US Census
1990	12,408	US Census
1996	16,431	Metropolitan Council

Ramsey Township became the City of Ramsey on November 12, 1974. This coincided with the most population growth the area has experienced. The population growth necessitated a higher level of government that could be provided by incorporation into a city. Change from rural agricultural land use to suburban development is continuing as part of the Minneapolis – St. Paul Metropolitan area growth.

The City became the cemetery owner on October 2, 1989 and on May 31, 1990 an easement was provided to the homeowner on the north side of the cemetery for access to the homeowner's property. The cemetery is about one acre in size and has 60 plots with 6 lots within each plot for a possible 360 burials. As of November 30, 2004, an inventory is still being completed to determine the number of burials that have taken place. Some burials do not have grave monuments, stones or markers.

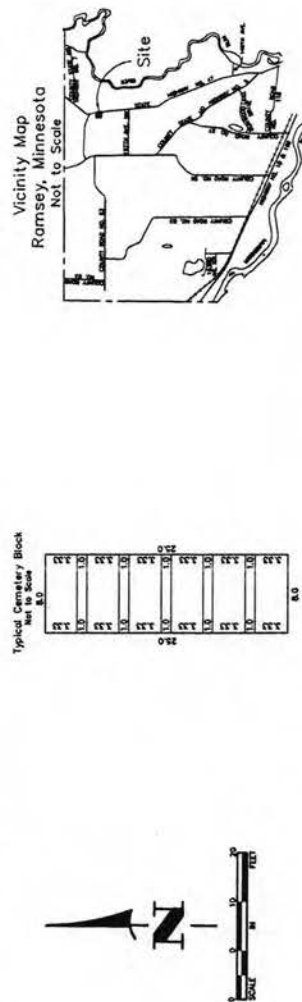
TROTT BROOK CEMETERY PLOT LAYOUT

Trott Brook Cemetery was originally laid out on a window shade from Trott Brook School District No. 14. Various people kept burial records on the window shade with Mrs. J. Noggles assuming responsibility at some point in time until 1918 when she died. After her death, no records of any kind outside of the plot map could be found. Henry Humboldt Schwab then took charge and started a burial record, making some entries by memory, back as far as 1878. Henry died in 1933 and his wife, Alvina J. Jentsch Schwab, then kept records until her death in 1956. Different families then kept the record book but both the plot map and record book are now in the possession of the City of Ramsey. The original window shade still exists, but it is in the possession of an individual citizen.

While the original plot layout for the cemetery was in a nice geometric configuration, the lack of accurate survey locations for burials has necessitated a reconfiguration of the plots. Lot numbers within the plot were never really established so it is difficult to determine the actual burial location within a specific plot. Also, the cemetery dimensions have changed a bit from the original eight rods by twelve rods. The most recent land survey and the plot layout as it exists today is shown in Figure D on page 10. The land survey was completed in 2004 as part of updating the whole inventory for Trott Brook Cemetery. The City of Ramsey has a current record of the burials matching the new plot map. The Anoka County Genealogical Society has a record of the gravestone inscriptions including pictures.

PLOT LAYOUT

1. Cemetery Boundary lines shown per Andale County Half-Section Mapping.
2. Block lines have been shown trying to best fit the existing headstones.
3. In providing this sketch no attempt has been made to obtain or show the names of the persons buried in the cemetery. The location of any individual's grave is shown only as a general location based on the utility existing on the site, whether private, municipal or public owned.
4. The professional surveyor has made no investigation or independent search for easements of record, encumbrance, restrictive covenants, or other facts that on accurate and current title search may disclose.

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TROTT BROOK CEMETERY GENEALOGY

Here are the plots and lots and the genealogical interrelationships between and among them. The number behind a person's name in parenthesis is the year of death

PLOT 1

Benjamin Herbert Crandall (1948) and his wife, **Elizabeth Ann Keillor Crandall** (1946) are buried with their children **Joseph William Crandall** (1981), **Havilla (Villa) Rebecca Crandall** (1918), **James Harold (Bud) Crandall** (1991), and **Lois Mary Crandall Anderson** (1992). James Harold (Bud) Crandall and his son, **Eugene James Crandall** (1991), are buried in the same urn. **Rose H. Wirz Crandall**, wife of James (Bud) Crandall, is buried in an urn too. Elizabeth Ann Keillor Crandall (1946) was the daughter of William Evans Keillor (1912) and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922) buried in Plot 23. Winfred Crandall (1988), son of Benjamin Herbert Crandall (1948) and Elizabeth Ann Keillor Crandall (1946), is buried in Plot 60. The Plot has been declared as *full*.

PLOT 2

James Crandall Keillor (1933) and his wife, **Dora Edith Powell Keillor** (1964) are buried here with their son, **James William Keillor** (1970). James Crandall Keillor (1933) was born in Ontario, Canada and was the son of William Evans Keillor (1912) and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922) buried in Plot 23. James's sister, **Rebecca Ellen Keillor** (1937), daughter of William Evans Keillor (1912) and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922) in Plot 23, is buried here too. James Crandall Keillor (1933) and Dora Edith Powell Keillor's (1964) daughters, Ruth Della Keillor Blumer (1962) and Josephine Eva Keillor Davis (1979) are buried in Plot 40. Dora Edith Powell Keillor was a teacher at School District #44 in the Trott Brook Cemetery area. *Two* lots remain open.

PLOT 3

Alfred Lawson Keillor (1963) and his wife, **Amelia Matilda Luthi Keillor** (1964) are buried in this plot with their daughter, **Bernice Lotta Keillor Johnson** (1937). Alfred Lawson Keillor (1963) was the son of William Evans Keillor (1912) and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922) in Plot 23. Alfred was a brother to Elizabeth Ann Keillor Crandall (1946) in Plot 1 and to James Crandall Keillor (1933) in Plot 2. Amelia Matilda Luthi Keillor (1964) was the daughter of Albert Luthi (1939) and Minnie I. Luthi (1939) in Plot 14. *Three* lots are open.

PLOT 4

Robert Everett Keillor (1971), son of James Crandall Keillor (1933) and Dora Edith Powell Keillor (1964) in Plot 2, is buried here with his wife **Flora Louise Allan Keillor** (2004). Their son, **William Bruce Keillor** (1996), is buried in this Plot too. Robert Everette Keillor is a brother to James William Keillor (1971) in Plot 2. The plot also contains **John Butterfield**

(1878) who farmed in the Trott Brook area and is listed in the 1870 census as a farmer, 40 years old with a wife and five children. John died from falling off a wagon when the horses were frightened. *Two* lots are available for burial.

PLOT 5

The lone burial is **Rett P. Quimby** (1899), son of John Ervin and Estelle M. Quimby. At the time of Rett's death, the family was living on the Solomon Strout Thorne farm (Plot 10). Rhett choked to death with quimsy, which caused heart failure. John Ervin Quimby was a nephew to James Fairington and Lyman M. Quimby buried in Plot 51. John was a surveyor in the 1880 US census. The City of Ramsey has taken two lots out of future use based on the ground penetrating radar survey uncertainty. *Three* lots are open.

PLOT 6

There is one person buried here with an unknown name. *Five* lots have future use.

PLOT 7

Bruce Bacon has purchased three lots. *Three* lots are available for purchase/burial.

PLOT 8

Henry Humboldt Schwab (1933) and his wife, **Alvina Johanna Jentsch Schwab** (1956), and their children, **Bernice Winifred Schwab** (1996), **Elmer Reynold Schwab** (1986), and **Effie Angeline Schwab** (1926) are buried in this plot. **Ida Caroline Schwab** (2003), wife of Elmer Reynold Schwab, is buried here too with **Baby Girl Schwab** (1911) who lived one day. She was the daughter of Henry Humboldt and Alvina Johanna Jentsch Schwab. Henry's father, Jacob, came from Switzerland in 1857. The Plot is *full*.

PLOT 9

Percy Isaac Brown (1902) may be buried here. Wilfred C. Brown owned the Plot at one time and he was the father of 10 year old Percy Isaac Brown. His mother was Ida A. Varney Brown who was the daughter of Isaac C. Varney buried in Plot 28 so Percy was Isaac's grandson. Perry died of an accidental shooting. The City of Ramsey has declared the Plot as *full*.

PLOT 10

Solomon Strout Thorne (1912) and his wife **Margaret E. Jordan Thorne** (1907) are buried with daughters **Abba F. Thorne** (1877) and **Emma D. Thorne Hall** (1898). Abba died of consumption.

Thorn Lake in the City of Ramsey is named after the Thorne family as they had a farm on the east side of the lake between 1873 and 1900. Solomon's daughter, Laura, married Robert J. Demarest who was the son of Franklin Demarest (1885) in Plot 17 and Ruth Ford Demarest.

Franklin and Ruth's granddaughter, Ruth Demarest (1898) is also buried in Plot 17. The first white child born in Burns Township was Robert J. Demarest per the "History of Anoka County and the Towns of Champlin and Dayton, Minnesota" by Albert Goodrich.

Solomon's youngest daughter, Idella, married Frederick McLeod, son of Angus (1886) and Priscilla Ford McLeod (1878) in Plot 18. Ruth and Priscilla Ford had a sister named Philoma Ford who married Joseph Cummings Varney, brother to Isaac C. Varney in Plot 28. William Varney (1884) in Plot 21 is probably an uncle to Joseph and Isaac. Ruth, Priscilla and Philoma Ford's mother was Philoma McKenney Ford. She was a sister to Esther McKenney Trott who was married to Joseph Trott.

Joseph Trott received a Land Patent in 1855 for 160 acres from which he established the one-acre burial ground that has come to be known as Trott Brook Cemetery. Zilpha Trott Tennison (1868) in Plot 27 was Joseph and Esther Trott's daughter and she married William Tennison. After Zilpha's death, William married Sarah Cooper Porter (1883) in Plot 27. Sarah was the daughter of James Cooper of Cooper's Corner fame in Anoka County. Bertha E. Porter (1873) in Plot 27 was the daughter of Sarah Cooper Porter (1883) in Plot 27. Plot 27 also contains babies of Joseph and Esther Trott.

Philoma McKenney Ford also had a sister Mary McKenney Giles (1892) in Plot 35. Mary had a son, Fred Giles who married Ruth (Rubie) Amanda Demarest, daughter of Franklin Demarest (1885) in Plot 17. Thus Fred Giles married his first cousin-once-removed.

Philoma McKenney Ford also had a brother, Andrew Jackson McKenney, who married Elizabeth Helen Littlefield daughter to Samuel Littlefield in Plot 22. Andrew and Elizabeth had several children, two of whom are buried at Trott Brook Cemetery. Melvin McKenney (1894) is buried in Plot 35 along with his brother Herman McKenney (1895) and their aunt Mary Giles (1892). Samuel Littlefield (1887), Elizabeth's father, and Samuel Littlefield (1916), Helen's brother, are buried in Plot 22. Samuel Littlefield's (1916) youngest son, Leonidus M. Littlefield (1869) is buried in Plot 22 also. *So the people in Plots 10, 17, 18, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 35 are all interrelated.* Many of them were early settlers coming from the State of Maine to Ramsey Township, Anoka County, Minnesota. Plot 10 has been declared as *full*.

PLOT 11

All six lots are available for burial.

PLOT 12

All six lots are available for burial.

PLOT 13

Annie Munson Nelson (1911), wife of Isaac Nelson, may be buried here as the Nelson name is on the Plot. In June of 1867, a tornado passed through the west part of Ramsey Township and

killed Isaac Nelson who resided in Section 8. His house was entirely destroyed. Is Isaac buried here too? The City of Ramsey has declared the plot as *full*.

PLOT 14

Albert Luthi (1939) and his wife **Minnie I. Luthi** (1939) are buried here as there is a grave marker with Luthi on it, but no other names. Albert and Minnie died in Florida. Records indicate that the following children are buried in the Plot too: **Guy E. Luthi** (1895), **James Custer Luthi** (1895), an **Infant** (1896) and **Andrew Luthi** (1892). The Luthis came from Switzerland. They had 12 children with seven living children according to the 1910 US census for Ramsey Township, Anoka County, Minnesota. Their oldest daughter was Amelia Matilda Luthi Keillor (1964), Plot 3, who married Alfred Lawson Keillor (1963), Plot 3. Albert Luthi (1939) and Minnie I. Luthi (1939) lived at Malmo, Minnesota at one time. The Plot has been declared as *full*.

PLOT 15

Andrew Swanson (1949) came from Sweden in 1883 and his wife, **Anna Olson Swanson** (1923) came from Sweden in 1885. About 1900, they moved to a farm in Burns Township where Andrew had a blacksmith shop. Children of Andrew and Anna buried at Trott Brook Cemetery are **Minnie Swanson** (Infant, 1886), **Richard W. Swanson** (1943) and **Manley Swanson** (1960) and **Gust Alfred Swanson** (1962). The Plot is *full*.

PLOT 16

All six lots are available for burial.

PLOT 17

This Plot is a mixed burial. **Franklin Demarest** (1885) was the first person to be buried in the plot. Franklin died of stomach cancer. The next person was **Ruth Demarest** (1898) daughter of Daniel Millard Demarest who was the son of Franklin Demarest (1885). Ruth was a twin to Frank Demarest, son of Daniel Millard Demarest. Franklin came to Burns Township in 1855 and was a Ramsey Township supervisor in 1870. He also was paid \$50.00 for fencing a burying ground, which might have been Trott Brook Cemetery, on June 22, 1868. *See description of Plot 10 for interrelationships with people in other plots.* **Edgar S. Clinch** (1937) and his wife, **Seleda (Schleda) B. Sproul Clinch** (1947) are buried here too. Edgar and Seleda were married September 24, 1895. Edgar was a foreman for logging crews and had a hotel at Milaca, Minnesota for two years. Seleda was a sister to Elizabeth Sproul Weeks (1928), Anna Sproul Noggle (1918) and Henry Alfred Sproul (1903) all of whom are buried in Plot 24. Henry Sproul (1868) and Rachel Sproul Haggerty (1888) in Plot 24 were their parents. *Two* lots are available.

PLOT 18

Angus McLeod (1889) and his wife, **Priscilla Ford McLeod** (1878) are buried in this plot. *See description in Plot 10 for interrelationships with people in other plots.* *Four* lots are available.

PLOT 19

Jesse Hill (1870), the young son of John Wesley and Harriet A. Oaks Hill, is the only person buried here. John was an 1844 native of Marietta, Ohio and came to Minnesota to Grow Township, Anoka County in 1856. After 13 years, he settled in Burns Township and received a Land Patent in 1874 in Burns Township for 126.66 acres. John did live in Ramsey Township at one time. John was a carpenter, joiner and mason by trade. Harriet was from Michigan. *Five* lots are available.

PLOT 20

Margarett Johnson is the only person buried here and little is known about her. *Five* lots are open.

PLOT 21

William Varney (1884) is the only person buried in this Plot. William received a Land Patent for 120 acres in 1854 in Ramsey Township and then another Land Patent for 80 acres in 1857. So, he was one the early settlers. In the 1860 US census, William is living with Joseph Cummings Varney, brother to Isaac C. Varney (1897). William might have been an uncle to Joseph and Isaac. William died of consumption. *See description in Plot 10 for interrelationships with people in other plots.* *Five* lots are available.

PLOT 22

Samuel Littlefield (1877) and his wife, **Dorothy Spencer Littlefield** (1888) and their son, **Samuel Littlefield** (1916) and his wife **Sarah Debra Sinclair Littlefield** (1899) are buried here along with Samuel's (1916) youngest son, **Leonidus M. Littlefield** (1869), who died of scarlet fever. **Baby Littlefield** (1908) and **Baby Littlefield** (1911) are buried here too. Samuel Littlefield (1916) died in Everett, Washington. *See description in Plot 10 for interrelationships with people in other plots.* The Plot is *full*.

PLOT 23

William Evans Keillor (1912) and his wife **Mary Jane Crandall Keillor** (1922) are buried here. Also buried in this Plot are **Mary Eliza Keillor Hunt** (1945) and her husband, **James Hunt** (1885). James died from consumption. Mary was the daughter of William Evans Keillor (1912) and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922). William Evans Keillor was born in Chatham, New Brunswick, Canada and lived in Nova Scotia and Ontario, Canada too. Mary Eliza Keillor Hunt and James Hunt were married in Hopewell, New Brunswick, Canada. James came to Minnesota in 1881. Thus, the Keillors, Hunts, Crandalls and Loucks came from Canada, probably the New Brunswick or Ontario area.

In addition to Mary Eliza Keillor Hunt (1945), William E. Keillor (1912) and his wife, Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922) had the following children – James Crandall Keillor (1933) in Plot 2, Elizabeth Ann Keillor Crandall (1946) in Plot 1, Amelia Jane Keillor Loucks (1945) in Plot 30, Alfred Lawson Keillor (1963) in Plot 3, and Rebecca Ellen Keillor (1937) in Plot 2 are buried at Trott Brook Cemetery. To describe all of the descendant relationships in one section would require a major genealogy chart. Therefore, each of the plots mentioned will give an interrelationship. The following plots have Keillor, Crandall, Hunt and Loucks descendant connections – Plots 1, 2, 3, 4, 14, 23, 30, 40, 41, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 59 and 60. Two lots are open.

PLOT 24

Henry Sproul (1868) was the first husband of Rachel Haggerty and **John Haggerty (Hagerty)** (1877) and **Rachel Weaver Sproul Haggerty (Hagerty)** (1888) are husband and wife per the 1870 US census for Ramsey Township.

John died of a liver problem and Rachel died from consumption. The following children of Henry and Rachel Sproul Haggerty are buried in the Plot too. **Henry Alfred Sproul** (1903) is listed in the 1900 US census as Henry L. being 32 years old and living with his sister, **Elizabeth J. Sproul Weeks** (1903), who was the wife of J. W. Weeks, along with Mary Green and Arlie Tennison as servants. Henry L. was born in Nova Scotia and died of epilepsy. Elizabeth died of heart trouble. **Anna L. Sproul Noggle** (1918) is buried in the Plot too. Seleda B. Sproul Clinch (1865), sister to Henry Alfred, Elizabeth and Anna, is buried in Plot 17. In 1870 US census for Ramsey Township, Anna Sproul is listed at 14 years old living with the John Haggerty family. So that would make Anna a sister to Elizabeth Weeks and Henry L. (Alfred) Sproul. Anna was the second wife of Charles Leavitt Noggle who was born at Freeport, Illinois on January 16, 1842. Anna and Charles were married December 26, 1882. Charles died May 2, 1901 and is buried in Oakwood Cemetery in Anoka. He held county and school offices. The Plot is *full*.

PLOT 25

The plot owners are Mr. and Mrs. William Merrill. **William Littlefield Merrill** (1917) and his wife, **Nellie Merrill** (1917) are buried in Trott Brook Cemetery and it is believed that they are buried in this Plot along with **Thomas (Thos) E. Webb** (1870). William Littlefield Merrill was a brother to Charles E. Merrill in Plot 32. William Littlefield Merrill was a farmer in Ramsey Township, per the 1895 Minnesota census, railroad grader and teamster.

The "History of Anoka County and the Towns of Champlin and Dayton in Hennepin County, Minnesota" by Albert Goodrich has the first wedding in Burns Township as being that of Thomas Webb and Edith Flint in 1857. Edith might have been a sister to Margaret Flint, first wife of Charles E. Merrill buried in Plot 32. In the 1860 US census, Thomas Webb is listed as Thos E. Webb as a 25 year old farmer in Oak Grove Township with his wife Edith. They were living with another farm family. The 1870 census lists him as Thomas and he is listed with people who died the past year as of June 1, 1870. His wife, Edith, and a daughter, Nellie, were listed as survivors with their own farm in Oak Grove Township. *Three* lots are available.

PLOT 26

All *six* lots are available for burial.

PLOT 27

Two wives of William Tennison are buried here. His first wife was **Zilpha Trott Tennison** (1868) and his second wife was **Sarah Cooper Porter Tennison** (1883). Sarah died from lung fever. **Bertha E. Porter** (1875), daughter of Sarah, is buried in this plot too. Bertha died from a fever. Sarah Cooper Porter Tennison (1883) was the daughter of James Cooper of Cooper's Corner fame in Bethel Township, Anoka County, Minnesota. William Tennison came from Nova Scotia, Canada. Sarah's first husband, Nathan E. Porter, died in Pennsylvania. **Babies of Joseph Trott** are buried here as well. *See description in Plot 10 for interrelationships with people in other plots.* The Plot has been declared as *full*.

PLOT 28

Isaac C. Varney (1897) is buried here along with his daughter **Luwilda (Luilda) A. Varney** (1860). The 1860 US census has Luwilda listed as a daughter but the grave marker says son. Isaac received a Land Patent for 80 acres in 1854 in Ramsey Township. Thus, he was one of the early settlers. He was Ramsey Township superintendent and also a school superintendent and US census taker. *See the description in Plot 10 for the interrelationships with people in other plots.* There are *four* lots that can be used for burials.

PLOT 29

Two concrete rectangular borders are present but no record of burials. *Six* lots are available.

PLOT 30

William Elbin Loucks (1933) and his wife, **Amelia Jane Keillor Loucks** (1945) are buried here with two of their sons, **John Shannon Loucks** (1914) and **Joseph James Loucks** (1927). John Shannon Louck's grave monument spells the middle name as Shanon. The Minnesota History Center death certificate has the middle name as Shanman. John Shannon Loucks (1914) died in a sledding accident. Joseph's grave monument has his name as Jacob. Joseph James Loucks (1927) drowned in the Rum River. Amelia Jane Keillor Loucks (1945) was the daughter of William Evans Keillor (1912) and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor (1922) buried in Plot 23. The William Elbin Loucks (1933) family moved on the farm once owned by Solomon Thorne (1912), Plot 10 in 1906. Amelia Jane Keillor Loucks (1945) is a sister to Mary Eliza Keillor Hunt (1945) buried in Plot 23, to James Crandall Keillor (1933) in Plot 2, Elizabeth Ann Keillor (1946) in Plot 1, Alfred Lawson Keillor (1963) in Plot 3, and Rebecca Ellen Keillor (1937) in Plot 2. **Deanna Lee Darby** (1945) was the daughter of Raymond L and Mary Francis Whipple Darby and was a granddaughter to Arthur Charles Whipple buried in Plot 46. Deanna only lived for sixteen days. *One* lot can be used for a burial.

PLOT 31

Laura A. Kelsey (1868), wife of James W. Kelsey, is buried here. James Kelsey was treasurer of Burns Township when it was first organized in 1869. James died in 1914 in City of Anoka and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery. Five lots are available.

PLOT 32

Peter Merrill (1890) and his wife **Lovina Merrill** (1880) are buried here. **Charles E. Merrill** (1916) and **Margaret W. Flint Merrill** (1868) first wife of Charles E. Merrill, son of Peter and Lovina, and **Sarah W. Berry Merrill** (1889), second wife of Charles E. Merrill are buried here. **Sarah Merrill**, daughter of Charles E. and Margaret W. Flint is buried here too. Margaret W. Flint might have been a sister to Edith Flint, wife of Thomas Webb buried in Plot 25. Sarah W.'s funeral service was held at the Trott Brook School which was located on the north side of the cemetery. Charles E. Merrill was a brother to William Littlefield Merrill in Plot 25. Charles E. Merrill was born in Bloomfield, Maine in 1934 and came to Burns Township in the fall of 1854. He was a Ramsey Township supervisor in 1870. He was paid \$36.75 on October 8, 1869 for putting bridges over Trott and Ward Creeks. The Plot has been declared as *full*.

PLOT 33

John Cleator (1893) was the husband of Geneva Cleator and in the 1900 US census they had six children listed and living on a farm. John was born on the Isle of Man. **Lavern Edward Cleator** (1913) was the son of Charles F. Cleator. Charles was the son of John Cleator (1893) and still living on farms in the Ramsey Township area in the 1910 US census. So, Lavern was a grandson of John. LaVern died of measles. *Four* lots are usable for future burials.

PLOT 34

All *six* lots are available for burial.

PLOT 35

Two sons of Andrew Jackson McKenney, who was one of the early settlers with receipt of a Land Patent in Ramsey Township in 1855, are buried here. **Melvin A. McKenney** (1894) and **Herman J. McKenney** (1895) are buried here along with their aunt, **Mary Ellen McKenney Giles** (1892). Mary was a sister to Andrew Jackson McKenney and to Esther McKenney Trott, wife of Joseph Trott. Melvin McKinney was paid \$1.50 on April 1, 1892 for moderating a Ramsey Township meeting. *See the Plot 10 description for interrelationships with people in other plots.* *Three* lots are open for burials.

PLOT 36

Isaac Thomas Spurrell (1941) was farming in Ramsey Township in the 1910 US census. **Rosina Bragg Spurrell** (1931) was Isaac's wife and they had a son **Anthony Tony Spurrell**

(1967). They are in the 1910 US census for Ramsey Township. **Corva J. Ranny Spurrell** (1990) was Anthony's wife. *Two* lots are open.

PLOT 37

James Albert Prodger (1932) and his wife, **Mary E. Ringhand Prodger** (1951), farmed in Burns Township, which is north of Ramsey Township. **William Emery Prodger** (1961) and **Frederick H. (Fred) Prodger** (1931) are buried in this plot with a **Ruth E. Prodger** (1905). Arthur E. Prodger (1935), son of James Albert Prodger (1932) and Mary E. Ringhand Prodger (1951), is buried in Plot 44. The Prodgers are related to the Ringhands in Plot 38 and the Ringhands and Prodgers in Plot 44. Mary E. Ringhand Prodger (1951) was a sister to William Emery Ringhand (1949) in Plot 38. In the 1910 Census for Anoka County, Albert Prodger, oldest son of James Albert Prodger, was a laborer at a creamery in St. Francis Township. Ruth died from rabies. The Plot has been declared *full*.

PLOT 38

William Emery Ringhand (1949) and his wife, **Elizabeth E. Buckhholtz Ringhand** (1958) farmed 80 acres in Section 15 in Ramsey Township in 1902 and are buried in this Plot. They were married July 16, 1902. William Emery Ringhand (1949) came to Anoka County in 1889. William Emery Ringhand (1949) and Elizabeth E. Buchholz Ringhand's (1958) daughters', **Lillian R. Ringhand**, (1929) and **Myrtle M. Ringhand** (1906)(1907) are buried here too. The Anoka County death record says Myrtle M. Ringhand died from accidental drowning, the daughter of William E. Ringhand. **August Ringhand** (1906) and his wife, **Susan E. Miller Ringhand** (1904), are buried here. August was born in Zempelburg, East Prussia, Germany on July 12, 1850. Stella B. Ringhand (1932?) daughter of William Emery Ringhand (1949) and Elizabeth E. Buchholz Ringhand (1958) are buried in Plot 44. *See Description in Plot 37 for plot interrelationships.* The Plot is *full*.

PLOT 39

Plot 39 currently contains a concrete rectangular grave border, but there is no record of someone being buried in the plot. **Mary Ellen Donnett (Dannette?)** (1906) was born in Ohio and died at the age of 49 of heart disease and may be buried here. Mary was the wife of Victor Donnett who was born in France. The 1900 US census for Ramsey Township shows Mary as the mother of seven children with seven living. Mary died from heart disease. The Plot was shown as owned by Dannette at one time. *Five* lots are open for future burials.

PLOT 40

Raymond Peter Blumer (1986) and his wife **Ruth Della Keillor Blumer** (1962) are buried here with **Josephine Eva Keillor Davis** (1979) and her husband **Raymond Gerald Davis** (1991). Ruth Della Keillor Blumer (1962) and Josephine Eva Keillor Davis (1979) were sisters and

children of James Crandall Keillor (1933) and Dora Edith Powell Keillor (1964) in Plot 2. *Two* lots are available for use.

PLOT 41

Dennis Crowe (1971) is buried in this Plot. Dennis Crowe (1971) had a turkey farm on Ramsey Boulevard at one time. He died in Mille Lacs County, Minnesota but not much else is known about him. **Phillip Aldridge Johnson** (1995) is buried here and his wife, Carlene A. Johnson, has a lot reserved. **Eleanor Jeanette Keillor Johnson (1996)** and her husband, **Aldridge Francis Johnson** (2004), are buried here too. Phillip Aldridge Johnson (1995) was the son of Eleanor Jeanette Keillor Johnson (1996) and Aldridge Francis Johnson (2004). Eleanor Jeanette Keillor Johnson (1996) was the daughter of James Crandall Keillor (1933) and Dora Edith Powell Keillor (1964) in Plot 2. One lot is reserved for future use. *One* lot remains to be used.

PLOT 42

All *six* lots are available for burial.

PLOT 43

William Henry Bradley (1940) and his wife **Mary Ellen Naiel Bradley** (1944) are the only two people buried here. They had one son, Walter E. Bradley (1945) and they were living together and farming in the US censuses for 1900, 1910 and 1920 in Ramsey Township. Walter received a Certificate of Award for being neither tardy nor absent from School District 14, Trott Brook School, during the term ending December 24, 1902. Walter had a wife, Daisy Porter Bradley, in the 1920 census. Daisy taught school in District 28, which became the Ramsey Township Hall. Walter is not buried in this plot. *Four* lots are open for future burials.

PLOT 44

Stella B. Ringhand (1937) and **Arthur E. Prodger** (1935) are buried in this Plot. *See descriptions for Plots 37 and 38 for plot interrelationships.* Stella and Arthur are cousins. *Four* lots are open for use.

PLOT 45

All *six* lots are available for burial.

PLOT 46

Arthur Charles Whipple (1947) is buried here along with his grandson, **Michael Golder** (1959). Arthur Charles Whipple (1947) was married to Esther Loucks Whipple, daughter of William Elbin Loucks (1933) and Amelia Jane Keillor Loucks (1945) in Plot 30. In the 1920 US census, Arthur was living in Burns Township and listed as a truck driver - Mack truck. Michael Golder's mother is Olive Jane Whipple Golder, daughter of Arthur Charles Whipple (1947) and

Esther Loucks Whipple. Esther Loucks Whipple (1972) died in California was buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Covina Hills, California. Michael Golder (1959) was a cousin to Dianne Darby (1945) in Plot 30. *Four* lots are open for future burials.

PLOT 47

James Wesley Hunt (1984), and his wife, **Dorothy Scheidecker Hunt** (1997), are buried here along with **David William Hunt** (1985). **Rozel William Hunt** (1959) and his wife, **Cora Hannah Lane Hunt** (1980), occupy this Plot too. James Wesley Hunt (1984) and David William Hunt (1985) were sons of Rozel William Hunt (1959) and Cora H. Hunt (1980). Rozel was the son of James Hunt (1885) and Mary Eliza Keillor Hunt (1945) in Plot 23. That leaves *one* lot for future use.

PLOT 48

William Gilbert Amies (1974) and his wife, **Elsa Lilla Fretcher Amies** (1995) are buried here. William Elbin Loucks's (1933) granddaughter married a son of William G. Amies (1974) and Elsa L. Amies (1995) so that ties the Amies to descendants in Plot 23. *Four* lots are available for burials.

PLOT 49

Harold Rozel Hunt (1994) and his wife, **Florence Glewwe Hunt** (2003), are buried here. Harold R. Hunt was the son of Rozel William Hunt (1959) and Cora H. Hunt (1980) and a brother to James Wesley Hunt (1984) and David William Hunt (1985) in Plot 47. **John Phillip Keillor, Sr.** (2001) is buried here. His wife, Grace Ruth Denham Keillor has a lot reserved. John Phillip Keillor, Sr. (2001) was the son of James Crandall Keillor (1933) and Dora Edith Powell Keillor (1964) in Plot 2. The other two lots are reserved for the Hunt family members. Three lots are reserved for future use. The Plot is *full*.

PLOT 50

Elizabeth Anne Keillor Ducommun (1991) was the wife of **Lawrence Henry Ducommun** (2004) and the daughter of James Crandall Keillor (1933) and Dora Edith Powell Keillor (1964) in Plot 2 and a sister to John Phillip Keillor, Sr. (2001) in Plot 49. Elizabeth is the granddaughter of William Evans Keillor and Mary Jane Crandall Keillor in Plot 23. **Anna Vivian Waubda Franken** (1995) is the mother to Margaret Hunt Twiss's husband. **Frances Maite Keillor** (1996) is the wife of **Lawrence Powell Keillor** (1997). Lawrence Powell Keillor (1997) is the son of James Crandall Keillor (1933) and Dora Edith Powell Keillor (1964) in Plot 2. Also buried here is **Shannon Dee Wright Hunt** (2004) who was the daughter of Thomas C. and Janice F. Keillor Wright. Shannon was the granddaughter of Lawrence Powell and Frances Maite Keillor buried in this plot. The Plot is *full*.

PLOT 51

James Fairington Quimby (1914) married his wife, **Charlotte Snow Rogers Quimby** (1931) on October 4, 1871 and they are buried in this plot along with their daughter, **Susanna (Susan) J. Quimby** (1914). **Lyman M. Quimby** (1925), brother to James Fairington Quimby (1914), is buried in this Plot too. James and Lyman came from Maine. James Fairington Quimby (1914) came to Anoka County in 1856 in the lumbering industry. James came to farming in Ramsey Township in 1862 and owned 200 acres in Sections 10 and 15. In the 1870 US census, Abigail Welts Quimby, who came from Massachusetts, is in the household. Abigail was the mother to James and Lyman and she is buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Anoka, Anoka County, Minnesota. Susan is listed as a teacher in the 1910 US census and is living with James, Charlotte S. and Lyman Quimby. Susan may have taught at one of the three schools in the Trott Brook Cemetery area. James Fairington and Charlotte had another daughter, Julia, two years older than Susan. Julia married Julian Henry Rand and is buried in Plot 52. On an 1888 Plat map, James and Lyman together owned 240 acres of land. John E. Quimby was a nephew to James Fairington Quimby. John's son, Rett, is buried in Plot 5.

See Plots 2 and 52 for interrelationships. Two lots may be open for use.

PLOT 52

Julian Henry Rand (1941) and his wife, **Julia Rebecca Quimby Rand** (1960) are buried with two of their children, **James Henry Rand** (1987) and **Rebecca Rand** (1911). Julia died in Washington and was the daughter of James Fannington (1914) and Charlotte Snow Rogers Quimby (1931) in Plot 51. Julian and Julia were married on February 11, 1901. They rented the James Fannington Quimby farm in 1903. Rebecca Rand burned to death when her clothing caught on fire as a result of a bonfire. The Rand farm was on 167th Ave. N. **Brian C. Hawes** (1980), son of Catherine Rand Hawes, is buried here and Catherine has a lot reserved with a grave marker. *See Plot 51 for interrelationship. The Plot has been declared as full.*

PLOT 53

Oscar Lennardt (1957) and his wife, **Cecilia Christopherson Lennardt** (1953), are buried here with their two children, **Bror Herman Lennardt** (1973) and **Karin A. Lennardt** (1990). Karin was a teacher. In the 1920 US census, the Rands in Plot 52, the Quimbys in Plot 51 and the Lennardts are listed in that order on the census page so they must have lived on neighboring farms. The Lennardt farm was across from the Keillor farm on Nowthen Boulevard in the City of Ramsey. *Two lots are available.*

PLOT 54

Harold John Stoesz (1996) is buried here and his wife has a lot reserved for her burial. Harold John Stoesz (1996) had a hardware store on 167th Ave. N. in Ramsey. One lot is reserved. *Four lots remain to be used.*

PLOT 55

The flagpole is located in this plot thus the plot capacity has been reduced. *Three lots are available for burial.*

PLOT 56

Herbert Oville Husby (2001) is the only person buried here. Herbert was a WW II veteran and farmed on the Mississippi River near US T.H. 10 in Ramsey. Herbert's wife, Marcella, passed away September 17, 2004 without any public notice and she was cremated. Marcella is not buried at Trott Brook Cemetery. The Husby's donated their farm property to Anoka County for a park. *Five* lots are open for future burials.

PLOT 57

All *six* lots are available for burial.

PLOT 58

All *six* lots are available for burial.

PLOT 59

Gordon K. Crandall (2001) is buried here and his wife Kathleen has a grave marker. Gordon Crandall (2001) is the son of Winfred Crandall (1988) in Plot 60. Gordon is the grandson of Benjamin Herbert Crandall (1948) and Elizabeth Ann Keillor Crandall (1946) in Plot 1. One lot is reserved. *Four* lots remain to be used.

PLOT 60

Winfred Walter Crandall (1988) and his wife, **Mildred Crandall** (1980), are buried here along with two of their sons, **Warren Curtis Crandall** (1995) and **Michael Winfred Crandall** (1954). Winfred Crandall (1988) is the son of Benjamin Herbert Crandall (1948) and Elizabeth Ann Keillor Crandall (1946) in Plot 1. Warren and Michael were brothers to Gordon Crandall (2001) in Plot 59. *Two* lots remain open for future usage.

The following person has been recorded as being buried at Trott Brook Cemetery but does not have a gravestone and burial Plot is unknown.

Baby Boy Miller (1921) lived only one hour. He was the son of Cecil J. Miller and Erma (Irma) M. Schwab Miller. Erma was the daughter of Henry Humboldt and Alvina J. Schwab buried in Plot 8. Cecil was a laborer living with the Henry Humboldt Schwab family in the 1920 US census.

JOSEPH TROTT BIOGRAPHY

Joseph Trott was born in January 5, 1809 in Bridgeton, Cumberland County, Maine. See Figure E on page 25. According to Joseph's obituary, he married Esther McKenney in 1837 in Springfield, Penobscot County, Maine. Actually, they filed their intentions to marry but were not officially married until December 16, 1838. Joseph and Esther Trott spent the next thirteen years in Maine where Joseph worked in the lumber trade along the coast.

Joseph and Esther Trott came to Minnesota in 1850 with their children – Zilpha (b. 1838), Abigail (b. 1840), Maria (Marie) (b. 1842) and Velina or Valina (b. Abt. 1844). Joseph initially worked again in lumbering as a laborer until receiving a Land Patent on April 3, 1857 at the Stillwater, Minnesota Land Office for 160 acres in Ramsey Township, Anoka County, Minnesota. The land was comprised of 80 acres in the South 1/2 of the SW 1/4 Section 2 and 80 acres in the North 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Section 11. Joseph and Esther's son, George Joseph Trott, was born in Minnesota in 1853. Joseph was primarily a farmer while living in Ramsey Township.

Ramsey Township was organized in 1857 and in October of 1858, Joseph Trott was one of three judges of election chosen by acclamation. On March 14, 1863, Joseph was paid \$18.50 for furnishing lumber for a bridge near A.J. McKenney's. A.J. (Andrew James), a brother-in-law to Joseph, received a Land Patent in 1855. As the population of Ramsey Township grew, the number of one-room schoolhouses increased. School District No. 14 was located on property of Joseph Trott on the north side and adjacent to what is now Trott Brook Cemetery. It is unknown when the school came into existence.

As mentioned earlier, Joseph and Esther Trott deeded land for the cemetery in 1868. It is not known when Joseph and Esther Trott left Ramsey Township, but they did arrive in the Santa Maria area, Santa Barbara County, California in 1870. Joseph resided there until his death on July 10, 1892 since Esther had died in 1881. Joseph had a farm in the valley area around Santa Maria. Joseph's obituary stated that he was the father of eight children, four of whom were living at the time of his death. Zilpha Trott Tennison, his daughter, was buried at Trott Brook Cemetery in 1868. Infants are also buried there, but the number is unknown.

At the time of his death, Joseph had 38 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and a surviving sister in Massachusetts. His obituary stated that he was a professor religion for over 50 years. He was a member of the Baptist church at one time and became a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Santa Maria, California. Joseph and Esther Trott are both buried at the Santa Maria Cemetery. See Figure F on page 26.

Joseph's son, George Joseph Trott, had a fruit and dairy ranch in the Santa Maria area. See Figure G on page 27. Unfortunately, there are not any male Joseph Trott descendants to carry on the name from this Trott branch.

Figure H on page 28 shows Joseph's Land Patent from which the land for the Trott Brook Cemetery was deeded.

JOSEPH TROTT (1809 – 1892)



FIGURE E

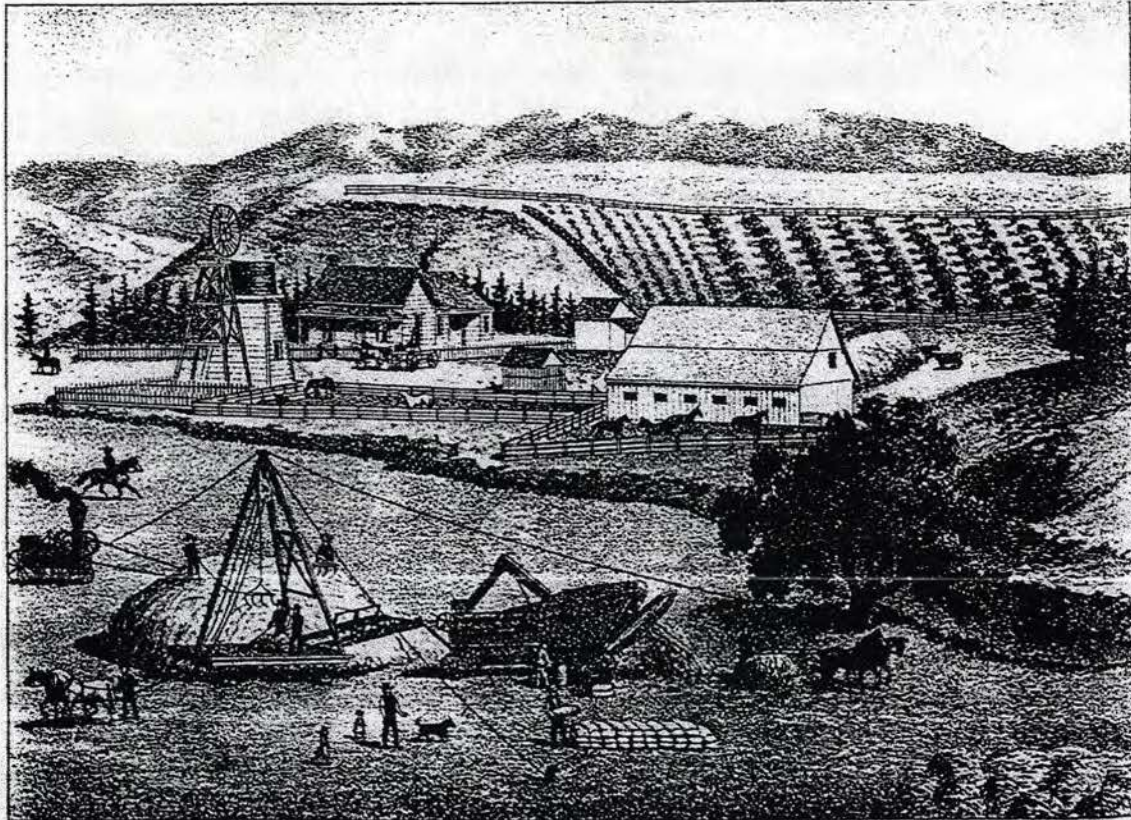
GRAVE MARKERS



Joseph and Esther Trott grave markers in Santa Maria Cemetery,
Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County, California.

FIGURE F

GEORGE J. TROTT RANCH



RANCH & RESIDENCE OF GEORGE J. TROTT
SANTA MARIA VALLEY SANTA BARBARA CO. CAL

George J. Trott was the son of Joseph and Esther Trott

George Joseph Trott was born at St. Anthony, Minnesota on February 21, 1853. George was in the 1860 US census for Ramsey Township, Anoka County, Minnesota as living with his parents. In the 1870 US census for Nodaway Township, Adams County, Iowa, George was with his parents, Joseph and Esther Trott and they were living with Benjamin and Mariah (Maria) (Marie) Trott Tennison. In 1879 at the age of 17, George crossed the plains to California and made his way to Santa Barbara and located on a 160 acre farm in the Santa Maria Valley. The farm was located eight miles up the valley and he owned one of the most effective threshing machines per information from the Santa Barbara Historical Society.

FIGURE G

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CERTIFICATE }

No. 3422 }

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas Joseph Trott of Benton County
Territory of Minnesota

has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND
OFFICE at Millwater whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said

Joseph Trott

according to the provisions of the

Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for
the South half of the South East quarter of
Section Two, and the North half of the North
East quarter of Section Eleven, in Township
Thirty-two, North, of Range Twenty-five, West
in the District of lands subject to sale at
Millwater, Territory of Minnesota, containing
One hundred and sixty Acres.

according to the official plat of the Survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL,
which said tract has been purchased by the said Joseph Trott

NOW KNOW YE, That the

United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such case
made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said

Joseph Trott

and to his heirs, the said tract above described; To have and to hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges,
immunities, and appurtenances of whatever nature, thereunto belonging, unto the said Joseph Trott

and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony Whereof, I, James Buchanan

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL
of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the *thirteenth* day of *April*
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty seven* and of the
INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the *Eighty first*



BY THE PRESIDENT:

James Buchanan

By *L. H. Jones*

Secretary.

J. H. Krangle

Recorder of the General Land Office.