DEWITT HISTORICAL SITE

DeWitt is the site of the first permanent Cuming County settlement. Benjamin B. Moore and his family settled there in 1857. An Omaha townsite company laid out the town of DeWitt and had an established post office by February 3, 1858. Following a hotly contested election in 1858, DeWitt lost the county seat to West Point by a vote of 12 to 7. The post office was discontinued May 26, 1871.

Today, the native sod cemetery is all that remains of DeWitt. The size of the cemetery seems to be one planned for a growing town and community. The graves are scattered in no organized manner. There is one large plot in the center with other graves, some in small groups, some in rows. The cemetery, restored and cleaned by the Cuming County Historical Society, in preparation for designation as a Historical Site, is often prey to vandalism of the markers.

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Name DEWITT Cemetery Location: Beemer, NE County: Cuming Township: Sherman Section: 4 SW 1/4 Recorder: Lois E Schultz Recording Date: 1 May 1980.

NAME	BORN	DIED
PETERS Eliza J wife of Holiday	2 January 1833	24 March 1868
LONEY Nancy C wife of Henry	aged 34 years	10 November 1870
LONEY Sarah wife of Wyatt	aged 53y 9m 8 days	2 March 1871
RUSSELL Mitchell H	aged 38y 5m 6 days	16 April 1889
RUSSELL Carolin T wife of M.H.	26 December 1850	19 April 1881
SHARP A.	aged 17y 6m	27 August 1876
SHARP Lydia G. wife of Cyrus born Bedford Co. Virginia	aged 4 months	18 February 1875
SHARP Silas W.	1844	1929
SHARP Lydia	27 March 1809	10 December 1896
SHARP Syron	1866	1916
SHARP Martin father	1842	1928
SHARP Eliza mother	1851	1935
SHARP Lawrence M.	28 March 1892	8 December 1916
SULLIVAN Clementine J.	49 years old	21 August 1899
"Just as the sun descends at eve. Soon with fi	resher beams to rise	
So shall our mother dear receive. Life etc.	ernal in the skies."	
SULLIVAN James civil war veteran	52 years b. 1838	7 August 1890
SULLIVAN Eiffel Irene "Born into beauty and born to bloom	21 years 9m 13d	30 March 1911
Victor immortal o'er death and the tomi		
SULLIVAN Gertie 3		23 November 1879
SULLIVAN Elma A Children of James and C.J. Sc	illivan	27 November 1879
SULLIVAN Calvin L		12 May 1889
HARTUNG Laura 8 mother	1850	1917
HARTUNG George W father	1850	1914
HARTUNG Donnie	aged 5y 8m 4 days	5 November 1891
HARTUNG Baby	aged 1m 10 days	
HARTUNG Roy M	aged 1y 20 days	30 March 1882
HARTUNG Grace G	aged 1y 3m 14 days	14 July 1880
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ADAMS Freemand Ovil War veteran	14 May 1843	21 December 1923
ADAMS Anna wife of F.D. nee GRENGEENE	9 April 1844	5 February 1882
WEAVER Charles A.	aged 30y 6m 3 days	8 July 1897
MOORE Abraham	9 March 1839	30 October 1868
MOORE George B. Civil War veteran	19 November 1841	20 February 1868
MOORE Benjamin B	30 July 1800	31 August 1869
MOORE Anna	aged 68 y 2m 6 days	5 April 1886
SHIPLEY Norman N. son of J and M	aged 1 year 3m 8 days	14 October 1885
THIES Viola daughter of Charles and Lizzie	25 November 1888	29 January 1889
	aged 93 years	30 June 1877
RICHARDS Benjamin RHODES Lucy E daughter of John C and Wealthy	aged 1y 9m 3 days	6 January 1882
RHODES Electa	23 March 1804	24 January 1895
		8 November 18-9 (1879)
RHODES William	18 September 1800	2 May 1877
RHODES Lydia daughter of R.A. and M.A.aged17y1m18days	aged 3 months	27 October 1868
RHODES Arthur son of R.A and M. A.	aged 3 mondis	continued on next page
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