## CRAWFORD COUNTY TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS

## BAXTER CEMETERY

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BAXTER CRAVES -- State Park N of Pittsburg.

Located NE of Sect. 32, Twp. 298, Rge. 25E.

This is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mi. W of the NE cor. of above section, just E of a small bridge, along the S side of the road in the State Park.

4-3-1971 We first heard of this small cem. of perhaps 5 or 6 graves from the elder Mr. Friskel, funeral director many years at Frontenac, Kans. He recalled his father told him many years ago that he saw these graves, surrounded by a small fence, while hunting in that area as a young man. He did not know who might have been buried there, but the graves were marked with stones.

4-14-1971 Mr. Bill Gregory, supt. of the state park, said he had also heard of this small burying ground, and had walked over the area looking for it, but had never seen any signs of it. He has been supt. of the park for 30 years.

Visited by Wm. Cuthbertson & Ernie Stevens, 4-14-1971.

(Note: the State Park Cem. along W side of this same section has no connection with this one.)

1-6-1972: Mr. Glen Morey who lives  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi E of the SE cor of above Sect. 32, recalled that he lived just E of the above burial site when a child, and had seen the little fence and the stones, which were right along the road. This was before the land was dug up in strip mining. He said Mrs. Baxter and her infant or child were buried there, she being the grandmother of Forrest Leon, and mother-in-law of Max Leon. He said Mrs. Baxter's grave was moved, and thought likely the infant was also. He did not know of other graves at this location. He said the Baxters once owned the land and lived there.