

**CRAWFORD COUNTY  
TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS**

**FREEMAN  
CEMETERY**

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**FREEMAN GRAVE**

Located in NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sect. 33, Twp. 28 S Rg 25 E., about .7 mi. N of Croweburg on W. side of road.

This is the farm of Ralph Schilling and his sister, who had heard that in early days a man named Freeman, possibly a young man, was buried under what is now the NE corner of the large barn N of their house. The barn was erected by a Mr. White who owned the farm many years before the Schillings, who have also lived there many years. The Whites were southerners from Kentucky, and built a large, fancy house, which burned some years ago. There was no known marker, possibly a rock or marker existed before the barn was erected. The Schillings explained that, so far as they knew, there was no way to prove or disprove this old story, but they believed it was likely true. It seemed to be well-known in the community some years ago.

On the lighter side, when Mr. Schilling was a young man, some young people were planning a dance in this barn one night. They waited until about dark to begin. Mr. Schilling had hid in the barn with a sheet, and scared them so badly they did not have the dance.

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