

**CRAWFORD COUNTY  
TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS**

**IOWA LUTHERAN  
CEMETERY**

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## IOWA LUTHERAN CEMETERY

Iowa Lutheran Cem.

Located just S of the NW cor. of Sect. 30 Twp 28S Rg. 23E, about 2 mi. N & 1 mi. E of Brazilton, Kans.

The Iowa Lutheran Church stood on the corner, and the cem. is just to the S of the church site, the church having been gone for many years.

The grass has been mowed and it is well kept at this time.

Copied by Wm. Cuthbertson & E. R. (Ernie) Stevens of Girard, Kans. Nov. 18 1970.  
(Mrs. E.R. Stevens, nee Flossie Feldman) was baptized in the church and her parents and grandfather Feldman are buried in the cem.)

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2-1972 Mrs. Maggie Hamm of Homer Alaska, formerly of this community, recalled that some graves were removed from this "John C. Meyer Cem." to other locations.

First row from West:

◇ John C. Meyer May 13 1848 Jan 28 1922 Sophia Meyer Oct 4 1858 Feb 25 1930 Meyer

2nd row from W; S to N:

(granite) Meyer Father Fred H. 1867-1938 Mother Mary 1871-1944

(granite) Meyer Robert J. Meyer Dec 30 1898 Oct 23 1928

(granite hdst:) Bennefeld Sister Nellie 1891-1947 Brother Walter 1893-1957  
brother August 1896-1966

(granite) S. A. Bennefeld 1858-1926 Adelhait his wife 1862-1918 Bennefeld

(vault) A. Mathilde Stolte 1890-1967

" John M. Stolte 1888-19--

" Jessae S. " 1892-1918

" Emil F. " 1895-1932

" Angie S. " 1895-

3rd row from W., N to S:

(granite:) Feldman, J. August 1866-1926 Martha M. 1866-1955

Emma H. dau. of A. F. & J. Meyer born Aug 19 1888 died May 7 1889  
Sweetly sleep our precious daughter  
Holy angels guard thy bed  
Gently rest in Jesus darling  
Till He call thee from the dead.

Infant son of F. H. & Mary Meyer born Aug 12 1901 died Aug 14 1901

John W. son of K. C. & A. L. Meyer born Feb 10 1905 died Apr 30 1905  
Sleep on sweet babe and take thy rest  
God called thee home he thought it best.

(granite) Detjen, Friedrich J. Detjen born Jan 29 1896 died Jan 12 1916

" Detjen, John F. Detjen May 28 1854 Feb 25 1926 Anna 1866-1953

4th row from W., S to N:

(base) Philippine Schifferdecker (probably moved to Joplin, Mo.)

(base) Our Mother (large stone base, no other inscription)

(not e: a large stone, shaped like a cross, with design of dove & leaf is lying on the larger base above, but apparently stood on the smaller one.

Maggie G. wife of H. C. Bidwell born Mar 19 1860 died June 21 1895 She was a  
kind and affectionate wife, a fond mother and a friend to all.

Infant son of Herman & Frances Hess born and died Oct 9 1896 Budded on earth  
to bloom in heaven.

(design of book with drapes & tassels) Grace wife of Henry Hess died Jan 26 1895  
 aged 71 years & 9 months. She's gone to worlds above  
 Where saints and angels meet  
 To realize our Saviour's love  
 And worship at his feet.

(matching above stone) Henry Hess born March 1 1812 died Dec 7 1893  
 The pains of death are past  
 Labor and sorrow cease  
 And life's long warfare closed at last  
 His soul is found in peace.

(next 2 stones on curbed lot:)

Henry C. son of Peter & Martha Detjen died May 1 1888 aged 36 ys 5 ms 8 ds.  
 He has gone from the earth With its pain and care  
 He is safe in a realm That is bright and fair.

(granite) Peter Detjen 1815-1887 Martha his wife 1834-1913 Detjen  
 (ftst: Father; ftst: Mother)

Hie Schlaf ich Margaretha Thonhoff Geb 29 Martz 1869 Gstorben 1 April 1883  
 Iber ich leb nun und hubs gut Herr Christe erlost mit Deinem Blut.

(above and several others in German; we doubt our copy  
 is correct, but tried to copy as best we could.)

(eroded stone, clasped hands)

(home made concrete) Theodor son of John & Mary Hamm 1880-1880

(granite) Bredehoeft Anna 1844-1928  
 (base for another stone, but stone missing)

5th row from W, N to S:

(design of lamb) Infant of H. & M. Knopp born & died Oct 3 1888  
 God ..... die Kleinen Uns der zeit .....

(granite hdst) Bammann Mother Lizzie 1861-1938/Father John 1861-1945

(granite hdst) Louis Bammann 1891-1963

Peter Thonhoff born Oct 5 1839 died July 14 1907 Thonhoff

(granite hdst) Thonhoff John L. 1874-1940 Mary C. 1874-1954

(small gray metal stone, excellent cond., in German:) Paul Lorenz Gohn bon  
 U. & R. Blasberg Starb den 18 Januar 1891 Uiter 6 Jabre, 3 Mont, 10 Inge

Alma S. M. Meyer Alter Sechs Thonate Eltern Conrad und Marie Meyer

Raymond Orlando infant son of Wm. E. & Anna Knopp born Nov 3 1897 died Nov 10 1897  
 Suffer little children to come unto me for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

Schifferdecker Our daughter Louise K. Schifferdecker born Dec 8 1884 died Jan 19, 1901

6th row from W., S to N:

(govt.) Leroy Brandon Kansas Pvt. 15 U.S.Cav. April 8 1930

spaces

Diedrich Bandenhag n Geboren den 25 Jan 1833 Gestorben den 15 Juni 1901

(govt) Jno. Feldman Co. B. Benton Co. Mo. H. G.

(Holy Bible, clasped hands design) At rest John H. Meyer born Mar 29 1808  
died Apr 15 1897 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course,  
I have kept the faith. Meyer.

(govt) John Henry Meyer Priv. Co. B. German Regiment Benton Co. Mo. Home Guard  
1808-1897

7th row from W., N to S:

(large granite) Meyer Mother Pauline 1845-1906 Father John 1846-1933

(granite hdst) Amelia Meyer 1881-1960

" Louise " 1873-1963

" J. Henry 1878-1965

" Anna R. Meyer 1871-1968

(The following stone is by itself some distance N of the cemetery, 4 new steel posts  
mark the corners of the small plot)

(dove design) Infant son of Peter & Ella Miller born Jan 31 1884 died Feb 9 1884.

(Note: Child of Lutheran Minister at that time)

Iowa Lutheran Chm. - Lutheran Home Chm. - from Mrs. Helma  
Wunderman, (Helma's Sister) (Amundsen's Sister-in-law) 5-17-1891  
Copied from Church Records.

Buried 1889 Barn  
May 5 Oscar Kretschel Mar. 2-1842  
July 19 Johann Claus Bordenhagen Mar. 29 1838  
Sept. 7 Emma Schmidt June 14-1888

1890  
Sept. 10 Bertha Dittman Nov. 24-1889  
Sept. 24 Heinrich Johann Karl Otto Kar Klöpffer Jan. 6 1890  
Oct. 25 Karl Gleitze Sept. 25 1888

1891  
Nov. 16 Emma Amelia Preis Child  
Dec. 28 Claus Hr. Bredtsoeft July 25 1815

1892  
Apr. 6 Emma Juliane Ermsel May 19-1888  
Apr. 12 Ludwig Karl Urmachler Not given

1893  
July 16 Friedericka Louisa Kubler Nov 22-1892

1895  
July 6 Jacob Wilhelm Maier Feb. 4-1895

1899  
Sept. 15 Anna Maria Kubler Mar. 6 1898

1900  
Feb. 12 Kristene Dorthea (nee Costerle) Mayer Mar. 2 1843