

Eastwood/IOOF Cemetery – Medford Oregon



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The cemetery was founded in 1890 and encompasses 20 acres. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on March 16, 1989, with burials dating to 1878. It is the resting place for hundreds of early families including many prominent local merchants and city officials. Here are just a few:

(1) Charles O “Coyl” Johnson (1885-1923)

A dead-heading brakeman for the Southern Pacific Railway Company, he died in the infamous “Last Great Train Robbery” at Tunnel 13 south of Ashland.

(2) George J. Prescott (1871-1933)

Shot by Llewellyn Banks, an orchardist, editor and publisher of the *Medford Daily News*, when he tried to arrest Banks for illegally interfering with the 1932 local election.

(3) Frederick Barneburg (1836-1907)

Arrived in the Rogue Valley when he was 18. In 1855, one year later, he planted the first Bartlett pear trees in the valley. By 1860, this planting had grown to 1685 acres. He drowned pursuing his favorite sport – fishing.

Others of interest include:

- (4) John Weeks (1823-1902) and Eugene M. Orr (1855-1901)
- (5) Joseph H. Stewart (1838-1911)
- (6) Iradell Judson Phipps (1838-1913)
- (7) August D. Singler (1876-1913)
- (8) Edwin D. Root (1848-1913)
- (9) Henry Davis (1876-1901)
- (10) Japanese pioneers

The cemetery continues to serve the community today with spaces available for purchase via the City of Medford Parks Department. The department also has a mapping database comprised of all records of those interred at the site. If you are needing assistance locating a person please phone 541-774-2400 or email prkmed@ci.medford.or.us

Historical information on this site and many others is available via the Southern Oregon Historical Society by phoning 541-773-6536 or visiting their website at <http://www.sohs.org>