**Superior Cemetery History and Facts**

Covers 1.5 acres near site of old Enterprise Mine

Known earlier as “Old Louisville Cemetery” and also referred to as “the cemetery on Coal Creek” during the early history of the area

1876 – A piece of the Enterprise Farm property was formally deeded to serve as a cemetery

1910 – Rocky Mountain Fuel Company acquired rights to the cemetery

1952 – Boulder Turnpike (Hwy. 36) built, separating cemetery from Louisville

1976 – Rights to the cemetery given to Boulder County

2002 – Town of Superior took control of the cemetery property and initiated improvements, e.g., an iron fence with prairie dog control features was built

2003 – A ground-penetrating radar survey was conducted to locate all of the gravesites

2004 – A State Historical Society grant funded restoration of the cemetery

2005 – In May of 2005, restoration work by David Via and Associates began on the tombstones

**The People Buried in Superior Cemetery**

Ground-penetrating radar discovered 90 possible graves, although only 55 are identifiable from above, and only 32 have gravestones

**First burial** – 1873, Lottie Eggleston 18, aged 2 years

**Last burial** – 1949, George Shockey 21, a local farmer

**Civil War Veterans** – Jacob R. Wolverton 27, from Dixon, Illinois, served in Company A of the Illinois Infantry and was wounded in battle; also, James Morton 2, served with the 142nd Pennsylvania Infantry, 1862 to 1865, fought at Fredricksburg, Chancellorsville and Gettysburg, later lost an arm as a coal miner in Marshall

**Children** – 20 known graves are of children aged 3 years and less

**Atkin children** 1 – 3 children died within 11 month’s time, Thomas who was less than 2 years of age, twins Charlotte and Sarah who were both around 1 year of age

**Mary McKay** 10 – 3-years old

**Clarence Spicer** 5 – aged 28 days
Walter Clayton 23 – 21 days

Harold Harris – 1 month

Baby Sheratt – 4 months

The infants of the families Searcy, Ray and Jurado

Gomez baby – in an unmarked grave, died in 1913, carried by young pall bearers the Green sisters, Mildred and Mabel, who wore white dresses and bore the tiny coffin from Superior, up the long dusty road that followed the railroad tracks to the cemetery

Victims of Epidemics

Many died in the Smallpox Epidemic of 1905, the Diphtheria Epidemic of 1907 and the Influenza Epidemic of 1918. More people died from influenza than in WWI. 548,000 died from influenza in the U.S. and 20 million worldwide.

Fred Willhusen 14 - a dairy farmer who helped to nurse other victims of influenza and then finally succumbed himself

Walter Wood 17 - a telegraph operator at the Colorado and Southern station at Louisville Junction (just east of the old Storage Tech campus)

George Admire 11

Albert Eggleston

Victims of Accidents

One of the Lemon sisters 25 – hit by a train when trapped on a train trestle


Charles Seeley – Superior Town Marshall, died in the line of duty tending to an altercation in one of the town saloons

Other

William Clark 3 – a native of Nova Scotia, a father and husband