

A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words...



This is a great example of the stone set by a surveyor in the past to perpetuate the true location of this government quarter section corner and from its location, the forming of ancient boundary line fences. NOTE: This is the quarter section corner of Sections 4 and 5 in T101N and R4W (Crooked Creek Township).



This is another great example of a government section corner monument and the fence lines of occupation (north and south) by different land owners. This is the section corner of Sections 5 & 6, T101N, R5W and Sections 31 & 32, T102N, R5W on the township line between Mayville and Winnebago.



Captain Thomas Lee of the U.S. Topographical Engineers in the summer of 1849 set an iron pillar to mark the Stateline (Minnesota and Iowa) at the 43°30' Latitude. Captain Lee's Monument is on the north side of New Albin east of State Highway # 26.



Common corner Sections 20, 21, 28 & 29, T101N, R7W (Spring Grove Township) marked by a second generation surveyor's stone in the center of Newhouse Drive. Pictured are Harold Jetson (Century Farm) Ore Fossum Jr. and his Wife.



A second generation stone monument 10 inches by 18 inches by 3 feet 7 inches high marking the $\frac{1}{4}$ corner of Sections 33 & 34, T101N, R6W (Wilmington Township). This stone was found in the center of Oakland Drive and Homewood Hills Road on April 30, 1998 by Assistant Houston County Surveyor Tammy Mauss and Houston County Highway back hoe operator Roger Pearson.



A stone 1 foot by 2 foot with a 2 inch drill hole to mark the Southeast corner of Lot 1 of the Original Plat of Brownsville set by Surveyor Eugene Marshall April 29, 1854. This stone was uncovered on July 7, 2004 12 feet under the west side of State Highway # 26 and the north side 2nd Street in the City of Brownsville.



One of the most unique surveyor's stone we have ever found marking the $\frac{1}{4}$ corner of Section 31, T102N, R5W (Mayville Township) and Section 36, T102N, R6W (Caledonia Township). The Stone Face was uncovered on July 24, 2006 four inches under the ground. The stone face is 4 inches by 4 inches and 14 inches tall. It was upright facing North. This second generation stone monument may have been set by County Surveyor W.N. Amidon in October 1894.



This Cave is about 100 yards East of Jesse James Road and it is said that Frank & Jesse James slept here on their way to Northfield, Minnesota. Picture by Houston County Surveyor Dick Walter, early 1998.



South Fork Lake in Houston County. View from dike to the Southwest, 1996.