Northern California Gravestone Typology Collection MSS.331

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**Title:** Northern California Gravestone Typology Collection

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**Physical Description:** 1.95 Linear feetBoxes: 4

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**Related Collections:** Description and interpretation of gravestone typology: using four Northern California cemeteries to examine culture change / by Amy McFarland. Call number: GN25 .M335 2008

**creator:** McFarland, Amy

**Access Restrictions**
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No restrictions.

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**Immediate Source of Acquisition note**
Amy McFarland

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**Arrangement note**
Gravestone and cemetery photos were removed from the original albums for preservation purposes. Each album was assigned a book number. The back of each photo was labeled with the album, page and position on page. At times multiple photos were taken of a gravestone and housed within one position (sleeve). In that case, photos were then assigned an alpha designation with (a) being photo exposed position in the album and subsequent ones behind. Example: B1, P1, P1b B1=book 1, P1= page 1, 1 = position 1, second photo in sleeve, found directly behind exposed photo.

Position number:1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 assigned from left to right, top to bottom.


Gravestone photos were reordered into boxes to reflect the order found in the typology spreadsheet.

**Biographical/Historical note**
The cemeteries chosen for this project were a sampling of pioneer cemeteries in Butte and Yuba counties. The objective of the project was to establish a gravestone typology. This collection builds upon earlier research done by Amy McFarland

**Custodial History note**
Gift.

**Scope and Contents note**
The research project examines six Northern California cemeteries of Cherokee, Coutolenc, Marysville, Nimshew, Oroville Pioneer and Thompson Flat. The project documents gravestones of the cemeteries with photographs. A typology was created of material, marker type, design, membership symbols, epitaph, age, and family position for each of the gravestones.

**General note**
This collection is the result of a research project funded by an Ellen Deering Endowment grant.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**
Butte County (Calif.) -- History.
Cemeteries -- California, Northern -- History.
Cherokee (Calif.) -- History.
Marysville (Calif.) -- History.
Oroville (Calif.)--History.
Paradise (Calif.) -- History.
Sepulchral monuments -- California, Northern -- History.
Yuba County (Calif.) -- History.

| Box 1 | Project binder to include project overview, typology spreadsheet, associated materials and codebook. |
| Box 2 | Gravestone Photographs: Thompson Flat Cemetery, Oroville Pioneer Cemetery, Nimshew Cemetery, Cherokee Cemetery overview-Hottinger |
| Box 3 | Gravestone Photographs: Cherokee Cemetery Howard-Zirkle, Marysville Cemetery overview-Cutts |
| Box 4 | Gravestone Photographs: Marysville Cemetery Dulgren-Young |