

A Guide to Some of McDonough County's Historic Cemeteries



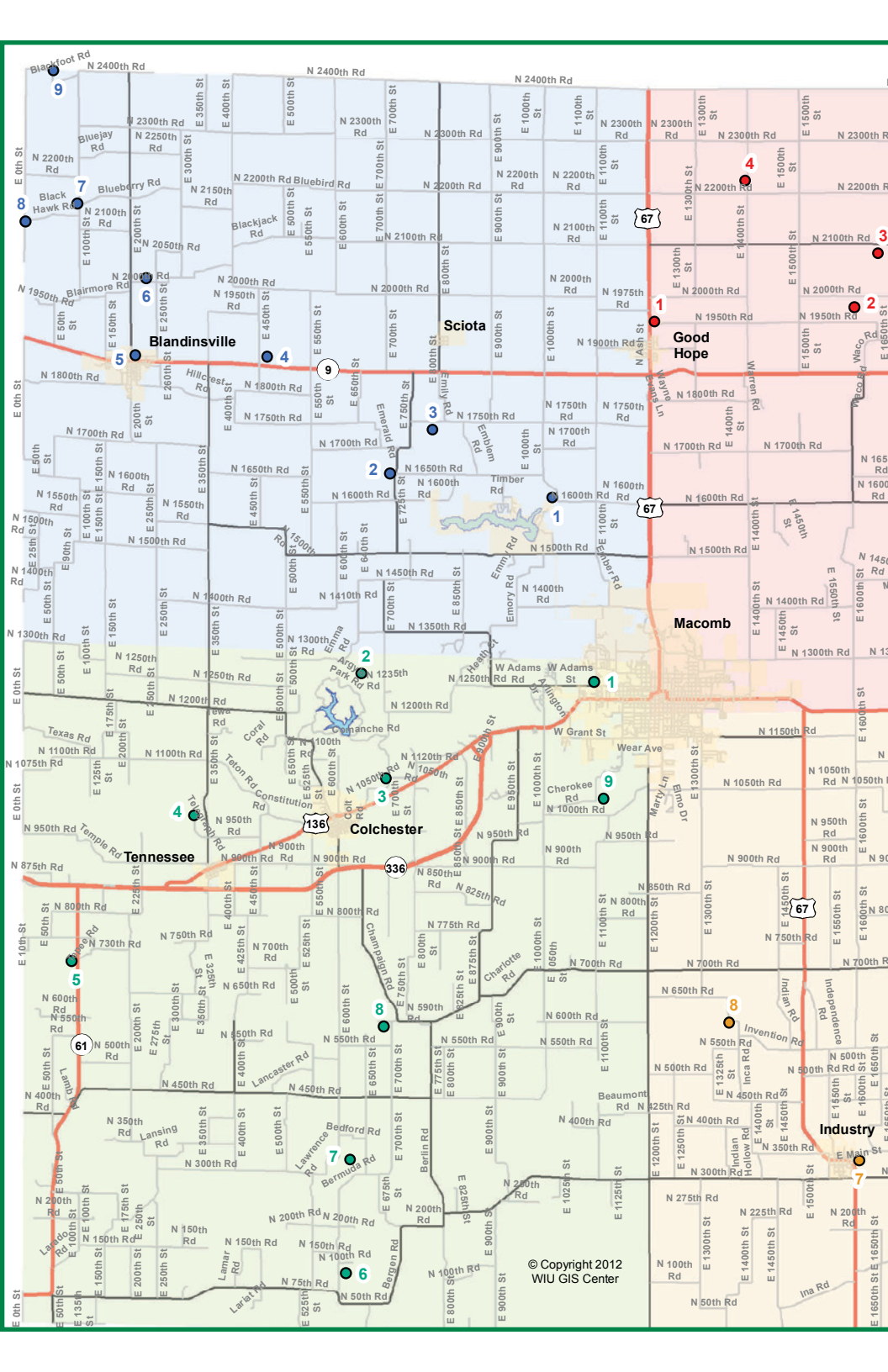
Arberghast-Pearce Cemetery, #2, Northeast Loop
Brigadier General Charles Gilchrist, Civil War

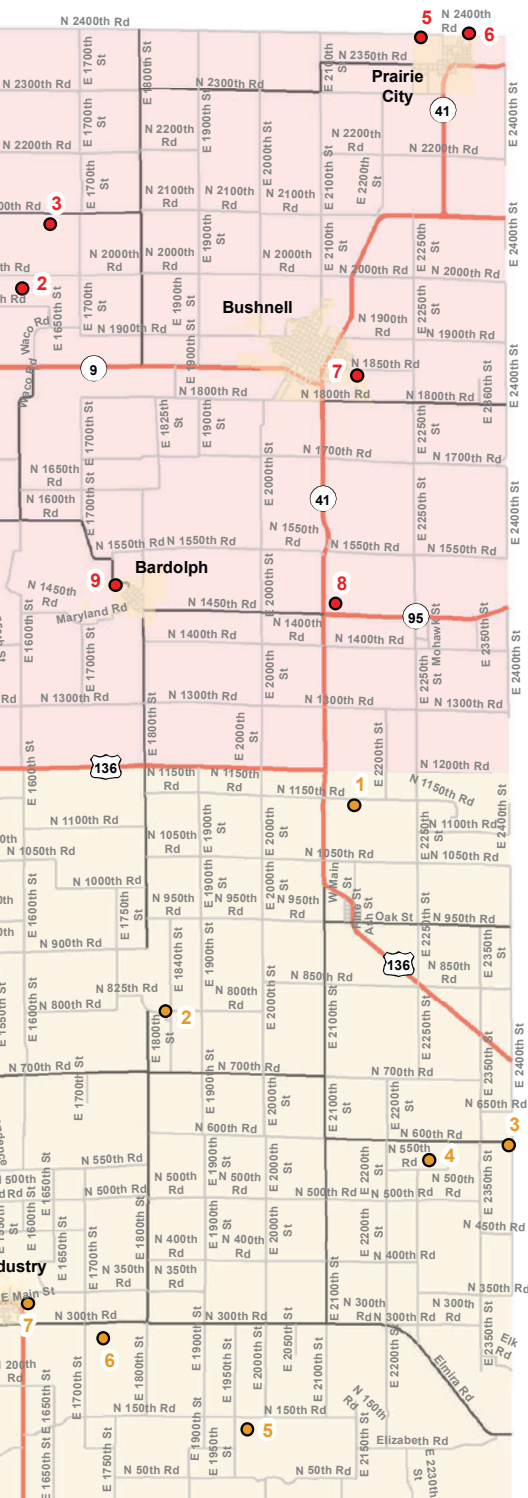


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Blue is the Northwest Loop. It is approximately 28 miles to #9, Old Bedford, using this itinerary. The direct route back to Macomb is 23 miles.

Red is the Northeast Loop. It is approximately 30 miles to #6, Old Prairie City, using this itinerary. Driving back with stops at #7, #8, and #9 is approximately 24 miles.

Green is the Southwest Loop. (Save #2 Atkinson for a separate trip.) It is approximately 33 miles to #6, Scott's, using this itinerary. Driving back with stops at #7, #8, and #9 is approximately 20 miles.

Tan is the Southeast Loop. It is approximately 36 miles to #5, Chockley, using this itinerary. Driving back with stops at #6, #7, and #8 is approximately 20 miles.

A map with all of the cemeteries can be found on the website of the McDonough County Historical Society:

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Northwest Loop

#1 Stickle Cemetery (-90.710381, 40.51609). Northwest of Macomb. Go north on Hwy 67 (E1200). Turn west on N1600. At 1.75 mi. from E1200 (Emerson Rd, E1025), take the curve north. The cemetery sits back off the road to the west, just beyond the Stickle sign (0.25 mi.). Take culvert and path south of the pond. 1812 veteran; Chicago brass monuments.

#2 Walker Cemetery (-90.770488, 40.523501). Continue northwest on Emerson (N1650) to the T intersection with E725. Take the dirt driveway across the road. The cemetery is straight ahead, up a hill to a high bluff. Several 1812 veterans.

#3 Spring Creek/Hainline Cemeteries (-90.75437, 40.537838). Continue north on E725, curving east to E750, and then continuing north to N1750. Go east 0.5 mi. Cemetery on your right (south side). 1812 veteran.

#4 Anderson-Huff Cemetery (-90.815955, 40.554576). Go back to E750, and turn north to Hwy 9. Go west for 3 mi. Cemetery on the north side just before E450.

#5 Glade City Cemetery (-90.86444, 40.55778). This is the city cemetery of Blandinsville. Go west on Hwy 9 to E200 (Main St.). Turn north. Huge cemetery on your right.

#6 Liberty Cemetery (-90.860222, 40.579555). Continue north on E200, 1.5 mi. to Blackburn Rd (N2000). Turn right 0.2 mi. Cemetery on north side. The burial site of Lemach Blandin, Patriot of the Revolutionary War, plus an 1812 veteran.

#7 Hillsborough Cemetery (-90.885578, 40.600816). Continue north on E200 to Blueberry (N2160). Turn west 1 mi. Cemetery is at E100.

#8 Wesley Chapel (-90.904895, 40.595942). Go south on E100 to Black Hawk, N2125. Go west 1.0 mi. (E00). Cemetery is on the north side—a unique triangle where three roads converge. 1812 veteran.

#9 Old Bedford Cemetery (-90.893922, 40.638491). Go north on E00 for 3 mi. At N2400, turn right for 0.5 mi. to Blackfoot Rd. Turn south. Civil War veteran plus many huge beautiful monuments. Return east on Blackfoot to N2400 to Hwy 67.



Northeast Loop

#1 Good Hope Cemetery (-90.671519, 40.565603). North on Hwy 67, just north of city; NE corner at N1950. Civil War veterans.

#2 Arberghast-Pearce (-90.597508, 40.565251). Continue east on N1950. Go 1 mi. east of E1500 on north side of road. Civil War general and other Civil War veterans.

#3 Lynn-Hageman (-90.588215, 585995). Go back west on N1950 to E1500. Go north to N2100. Turn east 1.5 mi.; cemetery on south side. High on a hill with panoramic vista; Civil War veteran.

#4 Hickory Grove (-90.637278, 40.605317). Go back west on N2100 to E1400. Turn north. At N2200, continue north on gravel road 0.5 mi. Tricky to find but worth the effort. Civil War veterans; near site of lost Sorghum City.

#5 Prairie City (-90.471689, 40.627616). Return to N2200, go east to E1800, and go north to N2400. Go east about 4.5 mi. to cemetery on the south. 1812 and Civil War veterans.

#6 Old Prairie City (-90.456632, 40.628378). Go toward Prairie City on N2400. Turn south at North Center St. to E. Mercer. Go east to N. Washington St. Turn northeast and follow curve due east to cemetery. Tricky to find; 1812 and Civil War veterans.

#7 Bushnell Cemetery (-90.493184, 40547261). Take Washington St. south to Hwy 41 out of Prairie City. After arriving in Bushnell, cemetery is on east side at East Hall St. (before the park). Large cemetery; 1812 and Civil War veterans. Many historical forebears.

#8 Mound Chapel (-90.504316, 40.491337). From Bushnell, continue south on Hwy 41 to Hwy 95 (N1450) junction (NE corner). Former Methodist Church cemetery.

#9 Bardolph Cemetery (-90.56944, 40.49806). Take N1450 west to E1800, turn north to E. Elm, and take W. Elm out of Bardolph. Cemetery is on the south side. Old and newer sections. Continue NW until N1600, airport road, west to Hwy 67, and then south back to Macomb.



Southwest Loop

#1 Old Macomb Cemetery (-90.695559, 40.46389). West side of Wigwam Hollow Rd, west edge of Macomb, north of Adams St. Veterans of War of 1812, Black Hawk War, and Civil War.

#2 Atkinson Cemetery (-90.781873, 40.46685). Inside Argyle Lake State Park. Grave of William Willard, Patriot of the Revolutionary War, and Jack the Black, slave of John McCord. Call Park Office at (309) 766-3422 for access route to the cemetery. Visit separately apart from this loop.

#3 Bean Cemetery (-90.733091, 40.437166). Northeast of Colchester. Take Wigwam Hollow Rd south to Hwy 136. Go west to E650. Go north and east to the intersection of E700 and N1070. Daughter of Revolutionary War Patriot, a veteran of War of 1812, and a Civil War veteran.

#4 Sacred Heart Cemetery (-90.844492, 40.427136). North of Tennessee. From Bean, go back west on Hwy 136 to E350. Go north to N950 and turn west. Take the gravel road (Telegraph) all the way back to the end. For families of Catholic parish; now closed.

#5 Hills Grove Cemetery (-90.890431, 40.386283). Continue west on Hwy 136 to Hwy 61. Go south 1.5 mi. (not marked). Turn west on gravel road 0.10 mi. Two veterans of the War of 1812, and veterans of the Mexican War and Civil War.

#6 Scott's Cemetery (-90.792155, 40.299242). Continue south on Hwy 61, turn east on N50, and go to E600. Turn north to N100. On the southeast corner, Scott's cemetery is on a high bluff with vista scenery. War of 1812 veterans.

#7 Dunkard Cemetery (-90.782912, 40.32893). Continue north on E600, taking slight curve to N300. Go to E650 and turn north 0.5 mi. Cemetery on the west side. For families of the German Baptist Church which once stood there.

#8 Gibson Cemetery (-90.774999, 40.366939). Continue north on E650. At N450, turn east to E700. Go north. Just 0.4 mi. north of N550, take grass road west to cemetery. Eyewitness to Revolutionary War.

#9 Bailey Cemetery (-90.69522, 40.426135). Southwest of Macomb. Begin driving back on N600 through Fandon, progressing east on Charlotte Rd to E1000. Turn north to N1000. Turn east 1 mi. Cemetery on the north side. Civil War veteran. Return to Macomb on N1000 past Horn Field campus to S. Johnson. Go north back to Macomb.



Southeast Loop

#1 Clark-Evans-Wood Cemetery (-90.495835, 40.44488). Go out Hwy 136 east to Hwy 41 T intersection. Go south 0.5 mi. to N1150; turn east 0.4 mi. to the service road along the west side of the railroad tracks. Go south 0.1 mi. There are several old graves nicely preserved along the west side of railroad tracks.

#2 Pennington Point Cemetery (-90.555417, 40.396431). Take Hwy 41 south to N950 at the south edge of Adair. Go west to E1840. Go south 1.75 mi.; turn west on Scot Rd for 0.1 mi. 1812, Black Hawk, and Civil War veterans.

#3 Harris Cemetery (-90.449185, 40.363516). Go south on E1840 to N700, turn east to E2350, and go south 1 mi. Go east on N600 for 0.5 mi. On the east county line; huge cemetery with 1812 and Civil War veterans.

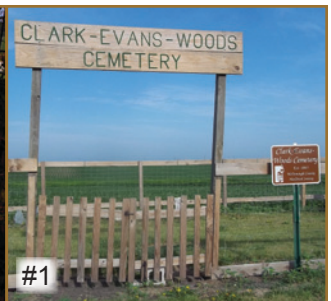
#4 Foster's Point (-90.468761, 40.358124). Go west on N600 for 1 mi. and turn south on E2300. Go 0.5 mi. to cemetery on the corner. Small cemetery with Revolutionary War patriot Jonas Hobart and a Civil War veteran.

#5 Chockley Cemetery (-90.531794, 40.29671). Go back to N600 and go west 2 mi. to E2100. Turn south. At N150, turn west for 1.5 mi. Go south on E1950 for 0.3 mi. Cemetery road on east side. 1812, Black Hawk, and Civil War veterans.

#6 Vance Cemetery (-90.579007, 40.32165). Take E1950 north to N300. Go west for 2.25 mi.; cemetery on the south side. Near Industry. Civil War veterans.

#7 Vail Cemetery (-90.599516, 40.327263). In Industry. Go west on N300 to Hwy 67. Turn north. At the first westward curve toward Industry, turn east (right) on E. Main. Vail Cemetery is on south side 0.3 mi. 1812 and Civil War veterans.

#8 Camp Creek Cemetery (-90.647022, 40.36684). Drive north on Hwy 67 to N550. Go west 1.25 mi. At Inca Rd (E1375), turn north. At the first curve, cemetery will be on your left or southwest. 1812 and Civil War veterans. Continue north and west on Inca Rd to E1300 (Candy Lane), and then go north back to Macomb.



Comments and Credits

Many individuals, organizations, and businesses have contributed time, talent, and treasures in a countywide project to locate and identify over 100 cemeteries in McDonough County.

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This brochure assists you in finding only 35, which are located in four loops. The GPS longitude and latitude coordinates have been included.

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Chockley Cemetery, #5, Southeast Loop