Dear Friends of the Lone Pine Cemetery, Whitman County, Washington,



Thanks to some wonderfully dedicated people with the Historical Society in Craigmont Idaho, the Morrow Cemetery has been well cared for.

For funds to help with the upkeep, they have been contacting descendants of the pioneers buried there. Which is why I am writing to you. The pioneers buried at the Lone Pine Cemetery should not be forgotten and we need your help.



This picture on the right is of Sandy & Howard Morgan of Walla Walla. They are in the brush where they found Howard's g-g-grandmother, Sarah Blue's grave at Lone Pine Cemetery. As you can see, there is a lot of work to do. All we need is time ,money, and manpower. I am building a mailing list of all the descendants we can find to contact for help. Please pass this letter on to anyone you know of that has ancestors buried here or send me their address. Jim Irwin, descendant of Sarah Blue.

There is a cemetery in Morrow, Idaho near Winchester and Craigmont in Lewis County that I discovered a couple years ago. There is a grave of Henry Harrison Blue, one of my uncles that died at the age of 19, in1891. His grandmother, Sarah E. Blue was buried in the Lone Pine Cemetery in Whitman County Washington. We just found her grave last year along with three of her grand daughters buried near by.



Above is a picture of the entrance to the Morrow Cemetery and to the left is the entrance to the Lone Pine Cemetery.

We are fortunate that we have people in the area willing to put an organization together and hold meetings to decide what needs to be done and what we can do. Amy Warwick lives in Oaksdale and has opened an account at the AmericanWest Bank in Oaksdale with money received from two generous donors.



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This is the first of, hopefully, many newsletters of this new organization! Next meeting time & place: May 19th, 10:00 AM at the Lone Pine Cemetery. See map below.

Please consider making a small contribution (or Large) for the maintenance of the Lone Pine Cemetery. Send to: Friends of the Lone Pine Cemetery, c/o Amy Warwick ,3001 Pittman Rd, Oaksdale WA 99158

Some History: It was on the 21st of May 1896 when Marshall Field of Chicago was in the area, that my Grandfather Reuben Smiley sold approximately two acres of his farm on the hill top in the N.W. corner of section 21, Township 20, Range 40, East Willamette Meridian said tract to be known as Lone Pine Cemetery. Burials were already being made there, some dating back to 1883. This transaction is recorded in Book 192 of deeds, page 606 in Whitman Co. courthouse. Marshall Field paid the sum of one dollar gold coin. Grandfather and Grandmother Smiley and their oldest daughter are buried there. From Fred Smith of Vancouver Washington, born in Tekoa 85 years ago.

