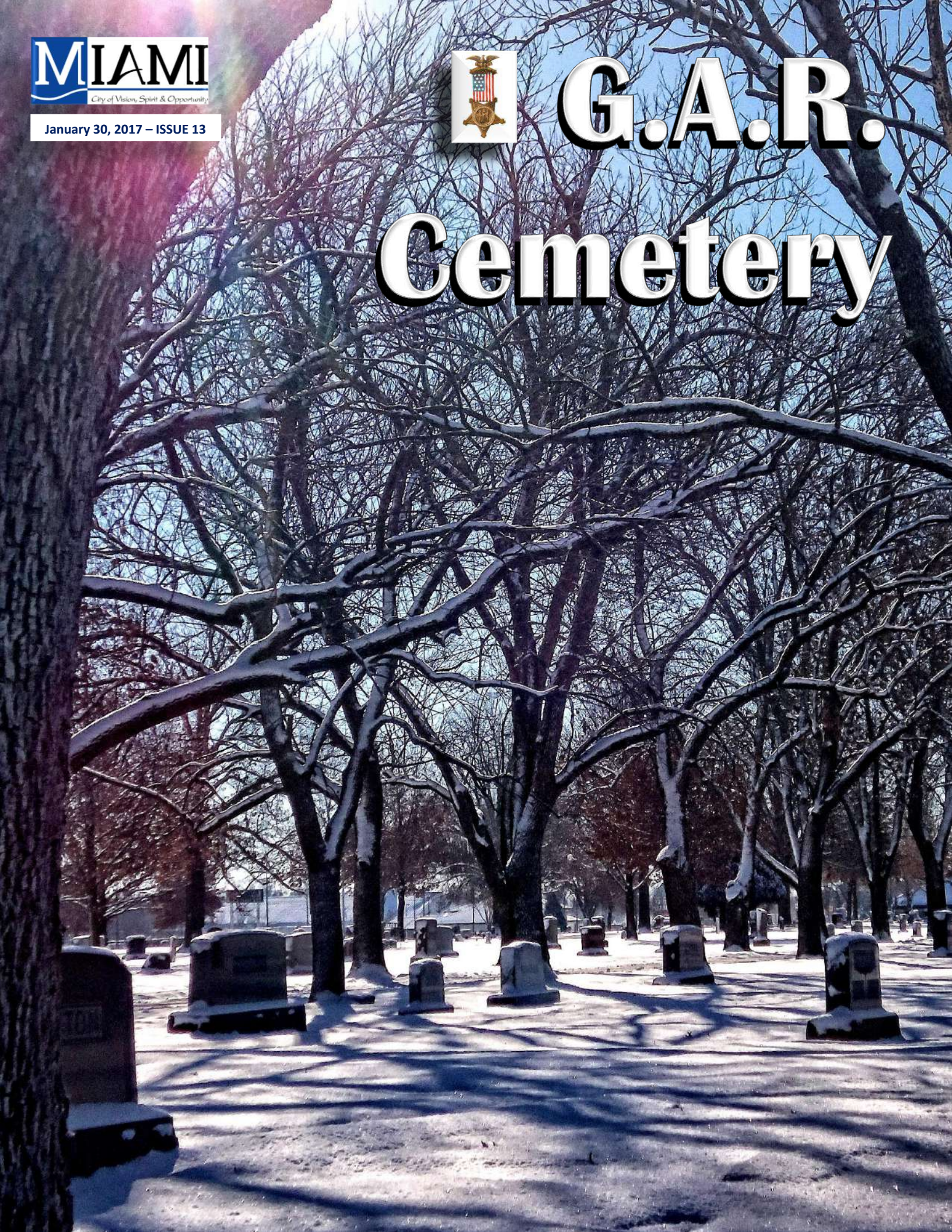




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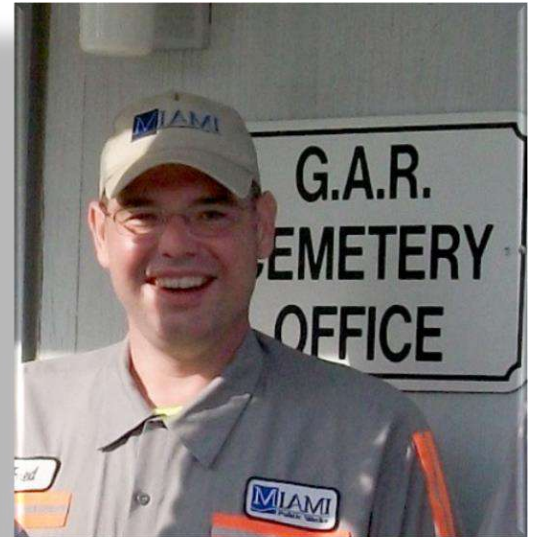
Kim Horn

G.A.R. Cemetery Director

A Warm Welcome

With the new year comes change to G.A.R..... Fred Billups has been named G.A.R. Cemetery Manager. Fred has been employed at the cemetery since 2011 in a maintenance position, and has now assumed the role of managing the cemetery. Our former Cemetery Manager Chad Masterson has left the City to assume his new role as a County Commissioner for Ottawa County. Chad had 26+ years of service with the City of Miami and we wish him well in his new endeavor. Fred will be continuing in the tradition of putting "families first" at G.A.R., and will welcome input and suggestions. Fred can be reached at fbillups@miamiokla.net or 918-541-2288.

Congratulations Fred!





Fred Billups
G.A.R. Cemetery Manager

My name is Fredrick Billups, in December I became the Cemetery Manager. I was born in the great city of Miami Oklahoma, and was raised by my Grandparents Delbert and Maxine Billups. My grandfather worked 40 years for the BF Goodrich plant and my grandmother was a homemaker.

I have worked for the cemetery for 5 years, and in that time I have found my home. My deep love of the cemetery is in the rich history that tells the story of our great community. When I am out on the grounds working it is hard not to look at the memorial markers and imagine what the people interred here have seen. Our cemetery has veterans from every war beginning with the civil war to date. We have men and woman that served in every branch of the military; including the Royal Air Force.

The first verified burial was in 1892; which was one year after the town of Miami was created and 15 years before Oklahoma achieved statehood. Every person buried in our 86 acres has their own unique story and those stories are what keeps their memory alive in our hearts and minds.

We at the GAR cemetery are proud and honored to be the caretakers of the loved ones that have made this town, this country, and this world a better and more vibrant place to live.



Chad Masterson
Former G.A.R. Cemetery Manager

A New Year and a New Beginning

As most of you may already know, I ran for and was elected to the office of County Commissioner of Ottawa County District 2. As I write this article on one of my few days left with the city of Miami, I reflect back on the past 26 plus years I have spent serving the citizens of the town I grew up in. I have done a variety of jobs with the City, but I believe being the manager of GAR Cemetery has been one of the most gratifying. Helping people in a time when they have lost a loved one, and they feel the most helpless, is a special reward all of its own.

It's difficult to leave a position you have invested so much of yourself in, but it makes it easier knowing it's been turned over to Fred Billups. Fred has worked for me for the past five years and is a great asset to the cemetery. He is more than capable of filling the position of manager. It takes special people to work at a cemetery and the staff at GAR will always be special to me.

Best wishes to you all and a Happy Year! ~ Chad



Above: Fred Billups, Bruce Lawrence, Chad Masterson, and Nancy Bro

Below: Chad Masterson and Kim Horn



A Day at G.A.R.



Nancy Bro
G.A.R. Cemetery Office Manager

As we move forward with our new G.A.R. Cemetery Manager, Fred Billups, I want to reflect upon being the office manager for such an amazing crew.

Four years ago I had no idea how it could be to love your job. But I quickly learned that with the right crew, a person's "job" becomes an extended part of your family. To be able to work "with" and not "for" someone is quite a unique privilege, and I count myself very blessed to be able to do just that!

I have faith in Fred and his abilities to manage our beautiful cemetery, and to lead us into a very bright future. And, I want to wish Chad the very best in his new endeavor!

Congratulations to you both!

Jeremiah Hubbard

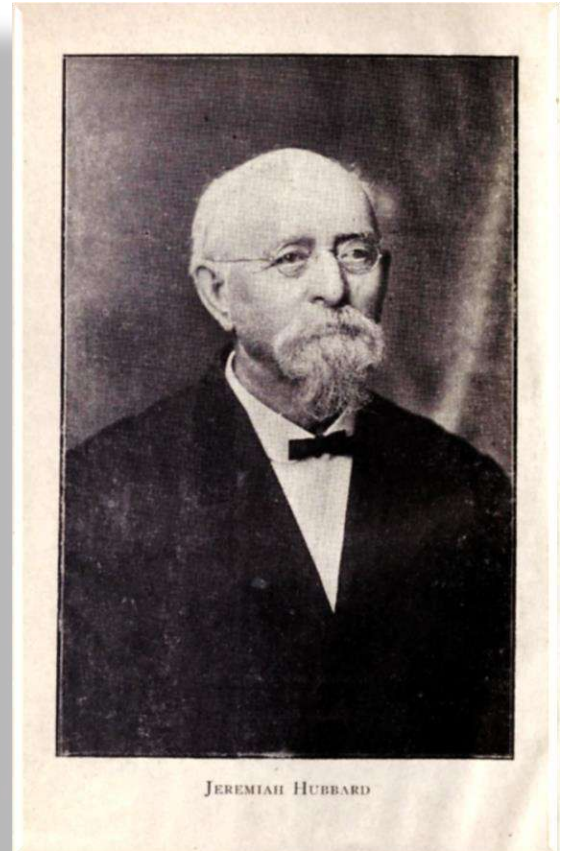
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Henry County
Indiana, USA

Death: Feb. 3, 1915
Miami
Ottawa County
Oklahoma, USA

BURIAL 2/13/1915

Jeremiah Hubbard was born April 7, 1837 in Henry County Indiana to a Quaker family. Hubbard was a teacher by trade and taught in a number of schools including the Wyandotte Mission School. After teaching for 27 years of school in Indiana, Missouri, Kansas, and Indian Territory he engaged in missionary work among the Ottawa, Wyandotte, Modoc and Seneca Indians. Jeremiah Hubbard and his wife moved to Miami, Oklahoma in the spring of 1900, and continued his ministry among Indians until his retirement in 1913. He died in Miami in 1915 in his 79th year; his wife died in 1917. They had 10 children.

Hattenville Union Mission of North Miami, Oklahoma is an Oklahoma Domestic For-Profit Business Corporation filed on May 26, 1910. The company's filing status is listed as Expired.



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Jeremiah Hubbard

"Forty Years Among the Indians"
By: Jeremiah Hubbard



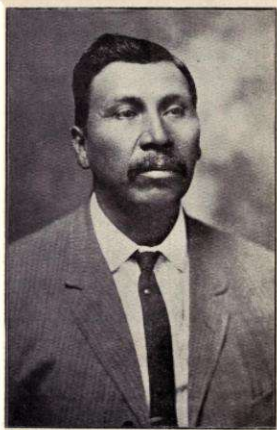
JEREMIAH HUBBARD



Old Mission Home of Jerry and Mary Hubbard for many years



MARY G HUBBARD



GEORGE W FINLEY

MANY OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS THAT CAN
BE SEEN IN THE BOOK
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Modoc Indian Chief

Chief of the Ottawas



MANFORD POOLER

Manford Pooler, Ottawa Indian, and Chief of the Ottawa Tribe of which there were only about one hundred and eighty left at the time of publication.



Dr. C. W. Kirk, Superintendent, Wyandotte



Oscar Cardin, Quapaw Indian,
age: 34

2016 Tribute

January Interments

Patricia C Graves
Dorothy Jeane White
John M Seward
Roger Dean Cunliffe
Lawrence L Handley
Margaret Hacker
Edna Pauline Polson
Phillip J McNelis
Kerry Landrum
Delmar Andrews

February Interments

William F Tucker
Gwendolyn Swift
Imogene Branstetter
Marilyn S Taiclet
Della I Allison
Robert B Suman
Katheryn S Todhunter
Viola Mary Martin
O C Macklin
Ruby Wilson
Betty Jo Walker
Claudia A Holt
Vernon Siler
Tracy Conrad
Jimmy L Bond Sr

March Interments

Susan Kay Pathkiller-Johnson
Shirley Reed
Nancy O Cruzan
Florence Lena Phelps
Joe Michael Ray
Fran McDaniel
Henrietta Mae Farrier
Charles Wayne Bunce
June Crownover
Robert Henry "Robb" Garwood
Doris Walters
John J Freeman
Agnes Lorene Lloyd
Betty Lewis
Bonney B Whiteley
Dorothy L (Salyer) Matthews

April Interments

Jon Finn
Helen Weber
Evelyn DuBois
William Phillips

April Interments cont....

Sherry Lynn Matt
Marie P Lloyd
Jerilyn Faye Craig
Virginia Faye Thacker
Paul R Rush
Effie Mae Matthews
Max W Buzzard

May Interments

Margaret Mrkonich
Eric Charles Crownover
Gary Meeks
Willia Hazel Giyer
Grace Ann Snow
Walter Summers
Robert Charles Sprinkle
Wanetta Drage

June Interments

Beatrice May Kernes
Sylvia Myers
Mildred Roberts
Ben Camp
Clyde M Endsley
Lona Faye Sharp

July Interments

Lillian Katheryn Crockett
Martha A McFarland
Harold Mahan
Glena Jean Mahan
Mata Caroline Beauchamp
Carolyn June Johnson
Mary Ann Barnes
Robert Kenneth "Robb" Garwood
Casey Cole Bible
Lee Roy Martin
Mary Edith Lawson
Shirley Bomford

August Interments

Ernest Lee Morris
Hattie "Aline" O'Dell
Lily Bleak
Alvin A Wallace
Patricia Wallace
Nancy Wagoner
Velma I Patton
Gracie K Morgan
Billy Thompson
Cecil Stanbery
Robert A Morgan
Nathan Tyler Widby

August Interments cont....

Benjamin Yost
A J (Albert James) Ransom
Charlene J Ransom
Harper Jo Adams
Carol Ann Morris
Evert Eugene "Gene" Glover

September Interments

Clyde "Bill" Higgins
Lou Bowers
Doris H Cox
Geneva Crockett
Richard Leroy Wills
Herbert P Osborne
Harvey P Imbeau
Michael R smith
Lila Shawver
Carl Donald O'Brien
Helen L Yost
Patricia Ann LaFave

October Interments

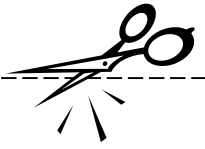
Riley Ridenour
Neva Jeanne Wood
Delbert Don Shamblin
Joe Roger Ballard
Joyce J Mitchell
Billie Marie Potts
Lawrence Lester Coppedge
Annabelle Marshall
Marjorie Moore

November Interments

Karen Lee Eby
Imojene Robinson
Clarence Knox
Virginia L Smith
Eddie Wayne Cravens
Norma June Kimbrough

December Interments

Gary Garrett
Mickey McGuire
Alene Johnsen
Billy R Radford
Rosa Lee Winton
Betty Thompson
Mary Patterson
Clinton Foster
Ronald Levi Buxton



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G.A.R. Cemetery Decoration Removal Schedule

****All Decorations Must Be Removed from Graves by 8:00 a.m.
On The Dates Listed****

DECORATION REMOVAL

DATE

First Monday in February	02/06/2017
Second Monday Following Easter	04/24/2017
First Monday Following Memorial Day	06/05/2017
First Monday in October	10/02/2017

- Wrought iron basket hangers are not permitted except for the time period of December 15th through January 15th and one week prior to Memorial Day until the first Monday following Memorial Day.
- Notices for our decoration removal schedule will be posted on signs at cemetery entrances the week preceding decoration removals.
- All decorations not collected by date and time listed will be disposed of with no exceptions.
- For more information about the G.A.R. Cemetery decoration removal schedule, please call the cemetery at 918-541-2288.

Genealogy
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200 N Main • Miami, OK

Barbara Becker
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www.miamipl.okpls.org

918-541-2292
Staff Hours
Mon, Wed, Thu. 10:00 am - noon,
1:00-5:00 pm
Tues 9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:00-4:00 pm

Only in the darkness
can you see the stars.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Adopt~A~Flag

Order by May 12th and have yours displayed

Memorial Day 2017!

For more information:

Call: (918) 541-2288

Email: nbro@miamiokla.net

Or visit: www.miamiokla.net

leadership is not a
position or a title,
it is action and
example.

2017 EVENT SCHEDULE

- Memorial Day Ceremony Monday, May 29, 2017 @ 9:00 a.m.
- British Flyers Remembrance Ceremony - October 21, 2017 @ 10:30 a.m.

Do you know someone that wants to get our Newsletter?

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**G.A.R. Cemetery is proud to
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