

STATE OF OREGON INVENTORY  
OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES  
State Historic Preservation Office  
Oregon State Parks, Salem, OR 97310

County Harney  
Theme 10-f  
Name  
(Common) Baby's Grave  
(Historic) (same)  
Address Ochoco National Forest  
  
Present Owner Ochoco National Forest  
Address Fed. Bldg (P.O. Box 490)Prineville,OR  
97754  
Original Use gravesite  
Date of Construction 1891

Place Photo Here

Physical description of property and statement of historical significance:

A grave site enclosed by a white picket fence approximately 4 by 6 feet in size identifies the widely known landmark, Baby's Grave. An informant named Wesley Street supplied the following information to researchers working for the U.S. Forest Service. A three-year-old daughter of Charlie Cruise died in the winter of 1891 and was buried at Gilcrest Mill. Over the years the site became known locally as Baby's Grave. At a later date a man named Gus Zogleman built the fence around the grave site, and Gale L. Luedaman, a guard for many years at the Buck Springs Guard Station, cared for the site. Luedaman painted and repaired the fence as needed and did general maintenance on the grave site.

Today Baby's Grave is widely used as a landmark in that portion of the forest, but there seems to be little knowledge of the individual buried there or the significance, if any, of the grave. The gravestone is simple enscribed "Baby."

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Sources consulted (continue on back if necessary):  
See Bibliography Notes: 16.1, 161, 199, 202, 259,  
262

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Please enclose map. Township 20 N 25 E W Section 9



