

St. Peter's German Latvian Cemetery, Irvine, Alberta

The congregation of this church was organized in 1897 through the efforts of Hans Rebane, from Boston, Massachusetts. The application to register forty acres as church and cemetery property was made about 1901, by this time five burials had already taken place.

The constitution was adopted in 1902, congregational officers elected, and the church built in 1903. Pastor Sillak accepted the call to serve as traveling missionary in July 1903, he continued as vacancy pastor for the Latvian part of the congregation.

The absence of a German speaking minister of the Missouri Synod, caused nearly all of the congregation to join the Ohio Synod. The Latvian portion of the congregation was in existence until 1945. The building was dismantled in the late 1940's.

This cemetery is located two hundred yards south of SH 515 on the east side of range road 31 or one mile west and eleven miles south of Irvine, Alberta. Legal land description is NW 36-09-03-W4. The plot is protected by a good barb wire fence but grass has not been cut in years. There is a concrete marker with following inscription: St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran First settlers 1888. Josephsburg P.O. Assiniboia West N.W.T. Monument placed in 1979 by St. Peter's German Latvian Lutheran Church 1897 to 1945. There are 35 burials here. Inscription reads: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth," Revelations 14:13. As at August 20, 1996.

Saint Peter's German Latvian Church Irvine
NW36-9-3-W4
50.09484, -110.37982
Twp Rd 100
Rge Rd 31
Josephsburg Area near Irvine
Cypress County

Name	Memorial Information
Bechtold, Henry	30 May 1873 - 10 Feb 1940
Bohnet, Johannes IV	27 Jan 1908 - 05 Jun 1908
CPT	no data available
Herman, Christena	1857 - 1920
Herman, David	no data available; stillborn
Herman, Fredrich	1856 - 1922
Herman, Johannes	no data available; 23y
Lehr, Eva	07 Aug 1904 - 19 May 1909
Rath, Clara	Died 1926; infant
Rath, Daniel	Died 1926; 16yrs
Rath, Ferdinand	Died 1925; spouse: Wilhelmina Rath
Rath, Jacob	03 Jul 1909 - 15 Sep 1915
Rath, Minnie	Died 1914
Rath, Wilfred	Died 1926; 3yrs
Trekofski (nee Pitzke), Christena	23 Dec 1879 - 12 May 1908; spouse: John Trekofski