

Yorba Cemetery Historical Park Annual Update OC Historical Commission – November 7, 2023





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# History

- Established 1858
- First Recorded Burial in 1862
- Oldest Private Cemetery in California
- Bernardo Reinterred 1924
- Last Burial in 1939
- Period of Reduced Maintenance
- Board of Supervisors Accepted Deed in 1967
- County Dedication on March 5, 1976
- Major Cleanup in the 1980's
- Plaque Dedication in 2002

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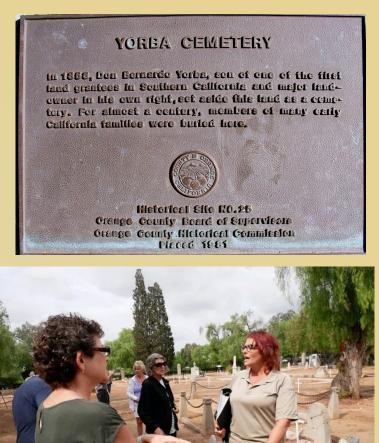
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## **Fun Facts**

- Designation for Yorba Cemetery
  - California State Landmark
     No. 25 Placed in 1981
- Interpretation
  - Pioneers of the Santa Ana Canyon
  - Life in the Canyon



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# **Hours of Operation**

- Open on the first Saturday of every month, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Docent Led Tours
- Groups By Appointment
- Special Events







### **Restoration Plan 2022**

- Research to Identify and Provide Proof of Burials
- Collaborate with Orange County Cemetery District/Santa Ana Cemetery Staff
- Contractor KC Restoration
- Historical Operations Maintenance Staff







## Research

- Burial Records
- Newspaper Articles
- Photographs
- Slides
- Marie Northrop
- Mike Miniaci/SACHC
- Ann Nepsa
- Cost: Free

Carlton, Ore., and a son, F. B. McCormac, of Colusa.

YORBA FUNERAL TO BE HELD MONDAY

Funeral arrangements, including observance of the rites of the Roman Catholic church, for Mrs. Erolinda Costa Yorba, 81, a member of one of the Southland's oldest Spanish pioneer families, were completed today by Backs, Terry Anaheim funeral Campbell, and Special services will be directors. held Sunday at 8 p. m. at the funeral parlor, followed by a Mass at 10 a. m. Monday at the Yor-Catholic church. Interment will be made in the old family grave located in the Yorba cemetery, it was announced,



## **OCCD/Santa Ana Cemetery Staff**

- Replace Crosses with Concrete Headstones
  - Train Parks Staff to Create
     Forms and Stamp Names
     and Dates
- Raise Sunken/Broken Plot Surrounds
- Cost: Minimal—Materials only









## **OCCD/Santa Ana Cemetery Staff**

New grave markers







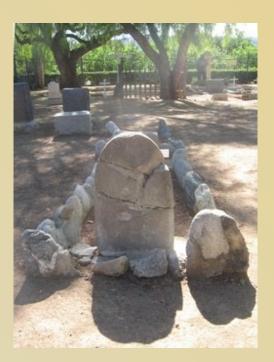


## **KC Restoration**

- 4 Headstone Repairs

   Cost \$10,425
- 3 Lambs Head Restoration

   Cost \$8,085











### **KC Restoration**

Installation







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## **KC** Restoration

Workshop Repairs











### **Historic Operations Park Maintenance Staff**

 In-house staff have conducted various improvement projects at the site









### **General Contractor – Carmody Construction**

Entrance Arbor













#### **Questions**?







