

FUGET CEMETERY
Jefferson Blvd.
Dallas/Grand Prairie, Texas

This property was part of a 640 acre tract of land parented to Peters colonists Rowland and Anna Huitt (also Hewitt) in 1843. The Huits immigrated to this area from Arkansas, and in 1847 Rowland became the second sheriff of Dallas County by filling the unexpired term of his brother John, who had died that year. The oldest marked grave, that of J.H. Snow, dates to 1864, though unmarked graves may date earlier. Members of pioneer Grand Prairie families, infants, and veterans of the Spanish American War and World War I are among those interred here. The last burial took place in 1951. According to oral tradition this graveyard is named after the Fuget (also spelled Fugat, Fugitt) family, who lived in the area during the 1800s. Their historic association with the property had not been determined, and no tombstones here bear the surname. In 1928, 300 acres of farmland surrounding the cemetery were leased by the City of Dallas to the U.S. Army for development as Hensley Field. In 1941 the property became a U.S. Naval Air Station and since 1949, Navy personnel have maintained the graveyard. It is a reminder of the area's early pioneer heritage.
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