



Graceland Cemetery Chapel  
Graceland Cemetery  
Avoca, Pottawattamie County, Iowa  
Photo No. 1  
Date: May 1985  
View: to north  
By: Mrs. Edwin Doll

*South entrance  
the Octagon Building*



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Photo No. 2  
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View: to east  
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The west side of the  
Belagon Shelter  
The small decoration at the  
top were cut out (see down  
all around the building.)



Octagon Shelter  
Erected 1875  
Restored 1985  
by the  
Newman-Avoca Historical Society

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North view of  
Chapels at  
Graceland Cemetery  
Avoca, Iowa  
5-15-85

Mr. Coon was the  
Sexton of Grand  
Cemetery for 50 years  
1875 - 1925

Mr. Coon was Art Kone's  
Father.

Early cemetery records  
were stored in this cupboards

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View: Interior, to east  
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Insure the east side  
of the DeLay & Keller  
The storage cabinet is  
intact as it was when  
records were kept there.  
Kester from  
(note the wooden handle)



The Oregon Shelter was built about 1875, restored in 1985.

Dr. Ralph Christian of the Historical Dept. in Des Moines said that with the Gothic windows it was probably first used as a Chapel.

According to early records seafarers would gather in the shelter to get warm before leaving with their beans and baggies.

In Sept. 1984 a group of interested citizens decided to restore the shelter with donations and many volunteer workers.

Newtown-Arco Historical Society



Team of 1875 - 1877  
the same year  
that the Oregon Shelter  
was built

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South side of the  
building — inside  
Narrowest part of the  
all around the Oregon Building  
Narrow fence remain around the  
wall (seating would accommodate  
35-40 people).



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Photo No. 7

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View: Northeast

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