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REMARKS General view of the Floyd Memorial bearing plates to the memory of

Lloyd and one commemorating the Louisiana Purchase.



This monument to Sergeant Floyd, the only member of the Lewis and Clark expedition to die during the entire course of the expedition, was built by the United States Corps of Engineers, with funds provided jointly by the Federal Government, the State of Iowa, the City of Sioux City, Woodbury County, and popular subscription. The monument was started in 1899, Floyd's remains placed in the concrete foundation, and the cornerstone of the monument laid on August 20, 1900. The Floyd monument is built of yellow, hard sandstone. The Sergeant Floyd Monument and Gravesite is owned and administered by the City of Sioux City, Iowa, and was the first National Historic Landmark established by the Department of the Interior. This view looks downstream from a point north of the monument. Sergeant Floyd died on August 20, 1804, about 1 mile downstream from the site of the monument. He was buried that day on this high bluff on the east side of the Mississippi River. Photograph taken by Jonathan Blair, September 1964, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation.