

October 9, 2003

Adair County Commission  
Adair County Courthouse  
106 Washington Street  
Kirksville, Missouri 63501-2889

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you to inquire who in the county had the responsibility for the naming of the roads when the county went to the 911 system. Prior to the implementation of the countywide 911 system the access road to the Waddill Cemetery was identified by a county road sign as Waddill Cem. Now that the countywide naming of roads for the 911 system has been completed the Waddill Cemetery access road is identified as Waddle Way on the road sign and in the 2003 Adair County Plat Book (reference page 20, section 35).

I realize that some of the Waddill family changed the surname spelling years ago, but that should not have driven the decision to change spelling on the road sign. Waddill Cemetery was named after the Waddill family, and the access road to Waddill Cemetery should clearly reflect the name of the cemetery. It would have been more appropriate to have changed the name of the road to Waddill Cemetery Way. Then the 911 road naming convention would have been maintained, the 'way' to the cemetery would have remained clearly identified, and the historical ties of the area to the Waddill family, who have been in the Kirksville area since the mid 1800s, would have been maintained and honored.

Please consider renaming the Waddill Cemetery access road to Waddill Cemetery Way.

Sincerely,

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# **ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION**

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October 20, 2003

James L. Veach  
93 Lesnyk Road  
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Dear Mr. Veach:


We received your letter regarding Waddill (Waddle) Cemetery and the naming of the county road identifying the location of the cemetery.

We thank you for bringing the error to light. We double checked records of the Cemetery, as well as tomb-stone markings for verification, and Waddill appears to be the original spelling of the family name.

We plan to correct the error both on the road signs, and relative to the subsequent printing of any maps, etc.

If we can be of any future assistance, please do not fail to contact us.

The Adair County Commission

  
Presiding Commissioner  
Gary W. Jones