

Other Names	N/A	
Street Address	Ferry Road	Rosedale
Title Details/ GPS Coordinates	33FD218	

Historical Context

John Little established Rosedale Station in 1853, which was the first pastoral lease in the district. The settlement of Rosedale, named after the station, became an important town in the 1890s. In 1892, Rosedale became the terminus of the North Coast Railway; for the next five years, people travelling north would board a coach from Rosedale and the pastoralists and farmers from the surrounding region gained access to southern markets, particularly Brisbane. A number of hotels flourished due to the increased trade and the first school opened in 1896, reflecting a general increase of closer settlement in the district. The railway was extended to Gladstone in 1897 and Rosedale ceased to be the rail terminus; nonetheless, the town continued to prosper, particularly as it remained an important rail centre for nearby settlements such as Tottenham and Baffle Creek.

Little is known about Tottenham. It was a settlement in close proximity to Rosedale and it had a school, suggesting a reasonable degree of closer settlement. The Rosedale-Tottenham Cemetery is located on Ferry Road, which provided a vital connection between Baffle Creek and Rosedale.

Physical Description

The Rosedale – Tottenham Cemetery is located on Ferry Road, approximately three kilometres north from Rosedale in cleared bushland. The fenced rectangular site is levelled with grass and surrounded by native trees and shrubs. In front of the roll top mesh fence is a sign, reading GLADSTONE REGIONAL COUNCIL ROSEDALE – TOTTENHAM – CEMETERY. Access is through a double mesh gate. The cemetery has a lawn and a monumental section. The lawn section is located near the front fence and there is one headstone and two memorial plaques. The monumental gravesites are situated at the rear of the area. Headstones are mostly featuring sandstone, but there are some granite memorials as well. Grave surrounds include masonry, some with decorative features, and timber. Most graves are covered by a concrete slab, some decorated with stamped patterns. Located in the south-western corner is a larger monument, resembling a house, featuring a rectangular tall opening and a pyramid gable, topped with a Christian cross. This gravesite is surrounded with a concrete balustrade.

Integrity	Good	Condition	Fair
Statutory Listings	No statutory listings		
Non-Statutory Listings	No non-statutory listings		
Inspection Date	13/10/2011		

References

Jeffries, A, 2007, A Short History of Miriam Vale Shire: the birthplace of Queensland, ed V Growcott & M Taylor, Miriam Vale Historical Society, Miriam Vale.

Heritage Significance	
Criteria	Definition
A	<i>The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the region's history.</i>
Statement	Rosedale-Tottenham Cemetery is important in demonstrating the pattern of the region's history, particularly the growth and development of the town of Rosedale and the nearby settlement of Tottenham.
C	<i>The place has potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the region's history.</i>
Statement	The Rosedale-Tottenham Cemetery has the potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the region's history, particularly records of burials that reflect the settlement and religious and cultural patterns of the district.
D	<i>The place is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of cultural places important to the region.</i>
Statement	The Rosedale-Tottenham Cemetery is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a rural cemetery.
G	<i>The place has a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons important to the region.</i>
Statement	The Rosedale-Tottenham Cemetery has a special association with the residents and former residents of the Rosedale and Tottenham districts and their families.

