

Francis Ernest Delaney	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	10	83	17

18-year-old Frank Delaney was born in Texas Queensland. He was a victim of one of Queensland's worst rail disasters. He died on 5 May 1947 and was buried with his father Lance Corporal Francis Patrick Delaney who had died in 1942 from service injuries. His mother, Beatrice was also laid to rest in this grave in 1985.

Thomas Hale	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	18	23	12

Thomas Hale was born in the village of Castle Bytham in South Kesteven, Lincolnshire, England in 1844 and worked in the railways in England before migrating to Queensland in 1882. He joined the Railways Department in Queensland becoming a member of the Railway Employees Association. He rose to the position of general secretary of that organisation. During his railway career he worked as a porter, shunter, guard and signalman. Thomas died on 13 April 1910 and a memorial on behalf of the Queensland Railway Employees Association was erected over his grave. Sadly this memorial was demolished in 1979.

Henry James Beatty CE	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	12	12	22

Civil engineer Henry Beatty was born on 20 May 1855 in Kensington London. His father, James Beatty was chief engineer for construction of the Grand Crimean Central Railway during the Crimean War. Henry married Elizabeth Ann White in Queensland on 7 July 1887. He was engaged as engineer for the construction of many railway lines in Queensland. He died on 16 June 1901 from typhoid fever.

William Weir	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	12	38	9

William Weir was born in County Armagh c.1858, to parents Francis Weir and Margaret Glass. He was the popular stationmaster at Brunswick Street Station, Fortitude Valley at the time of his death on 13 September 1899. He was laid to rest with his late wife, Sarah Jane (nee McLaughlin).

Lieutenant-Colonel James Forsyth Thallon	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	11	71	14

The son of a Scottish engineer, Robert Thallon and his wife, Jean née Forsayth, James Forsyth Thallon was the Queensland Commissioner for Railways from 1902 to 1911. He was born in Markinch, in Fifeshire, Scotland

in 1847 and entered the railways in Edinburgh as a 15-year-old apprentice. He came to Queensland in 1882 to take up a management position in the Southern and Western Railways. After his death in 1911, subscriptions were collected from railways employees for the erection of a memorial over his grave. The Thallon Memorial Medal was awarded annually to the children of railway employees who received the highest marks in the Junior Examination.

George Orr	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	12	60	1/2

George Orr and his wife, Isabella (née Nicholson) arrived in Queensland on the *Dacca* in August 1889 from Linlithgow Scotland. George previously worked for the railways in the United Kingdom and was a First Class Guard in the Railways Department in Queensland at the time of his death on 24 February 1910. Isabella was also laid to rest in this grave after her death in 1920.

Senator John Adamson	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	18	111	1

John Adamson, Primitive Methodist minister and later politician, was born on 18 February 1857 at Tudhoe, County Durham, England, the son of Robert Adamson, a shoemaker, and his wife, Dorothy, née English. He came to Queensland with his young wife, Caroline (née Jones) in 1884. In 1915 he became Secretary for Railways in the Ryan Government. He was elected to the Senate in 1919. He died at Hendra railway station on 2 May 1922.

Michael Joseph Devitt	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	15	29	6

Michael Joseph Devitt was born in 1892 in Warwick Queensland to Irish-born parents, Michael Joseph Devitt, a tailor and Catherine née Stokes. He managed railway refreshment rooms at a number of Queensland localities including Babinda, Ipswich, Helidon, Roma Street, Brisbane Exhibition, Bethania and Bundaberg where he and his staff were commended for their excellent service. He was president of the Bundaberg branch of the Australian Railways Union and served on the State council of the Union. He died on 23 May 1932 at the age of 39.

Barnard Charles Evans CMG	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	20	20	13/14

Hon Colonel Charles Evans CMG was born in Taunton, Somerset on 15 April 1845, the son of John Evans, a railway porter and his wife, Mary Ann née Acland. Charles Evans rose from humble railway porter to Commissioner for Railways in Queensland from 1911 to 1918. In 1867 he married Mary Ann

Thompson who is also buried in this grave as well as two of their children. He died in Brisbane on 31 December 1920.

Joseph Atkinson Holdsworth	Portion	Section	Grave Number
	1	136	33

Born in 1845 in Ripley in the West Riding of Yorkshire where his father William was a surgeon, Joseph Atkinson Holdsworth served with the Railways Department in Queensland for 50 years starting as stationmaster in Ipswich in 1867. At the time of his death at the age of 71 on 2 June 1916 he was a railway examiner and prosecutor.

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