



St. Joseph, MO – Buchanan County
St. Joseph Visitors Bureau - 109 S 4th Street
St. Joseph Visitors Center- 502 N Woodbine
1-800-785-0360 - www.stjomo.com

Jesse James Home Museum
(next to Patee House Museum) - 816-232-8206
www.ponyexpressjessejames.com

Jesse James was shot & killed in this house April 3, 1882, by gang member, Bob Ford. Jesse lived here 100 days with his wife, Zee, & children, Jesse Jr. & Mary. The house, furnished as it might have looked in 1881, has exhibits on



Jesse & his family & the "legendary bullet hole", as well as exhibits from the 1995 exhumation. "DNA tests performed on his remains proved with 99.7% certainty that the person shot in this house was Jesse James." *Call ahead for hours.*

Original House Site at 1318 Lafayette Street
 Original Site of the "House on the Hill" where Jesse was shot in 1882. Gated Monument.
Outside viewing.

Patee House Museum
12th & Penn Streets - 816-232-8206
www.ponyexpressjessejames.com



Patee House was built as an elegant 140-room hotel in 1858. It is a National Historic Landmark for its role as Headquarters for the Pony Express. After Jesse James' death, the investigation was conducted at Patee House, & family members stayed there for 2 nights after he was killed. It is now an amazing museum of local and American history and houses extremely unique collections. *Call ahead for hours of operation.*

Grace Baptist Church
1124 S 12th Street

According to early parishioners, Jesse moved to 1318 Lafayette on Christmas Eve and had nothing for his children. Legend says he walked to the church, and allegedly "borrowed" a Santa suit & some cookies and returned to his house for the celebration. For some time it was called "Historic Howard's Church."

Buchanan County Courthouse
411 Jules St. - 816-271-1412
www.co.buchanan.mo.us

A rare example of courthouse design from the late 1800's. It houses the courtroom (Division 3) where the Ford Brothers reportedly pled guilty to murdering Jesse James. It's believed by some that the judicial bench before which they stood is in Div. 6. Nat. Register of Historic Places. *Open regular business hours.*



Missouri Valley Trust Building
402 Felix - 816-232-8471

The 1859 stone & brick structure was the oldest building west of the Mississippi continuously used for banking. Legend says Jesse "cased" the bank shortly before he was shot. Building listed on the Nat. Reg of Historic Places. *Outside viewing only.*



Liberty, MO – Clay County
Historic Downtown Liberty, Inc.
14 North Main Street - 816-456-9339
www.historicdowntownliberty.org

Jesse James Bank Museum
103 N Water St., Liberty - 816-736-8510

www.jessejamesmuseum.org

This is the site of the nation's first successful daylight bank robbery, Feb. 13, 1866. Learn about the James' gang connection and see original bank vault, a rare Seth Thomas calendar clock set to the exact time and date of the robbery, and other period pieces. *10am-4pm Mon-Sat. Closed Sun.*

Kearney, MO – Clay County
Kearney Chamber of Commerce
816-628-4229 - www.kearneychamber.org

Jesse James Farm and Museum
21216 Jesse James Farm Road - 816-736-8500 - www.jessejamesmuseum.org

Jesse James was born here Sept. 5, 1847. Jesse's original grave site, large collection of family artifacts, family home, slave cabin & more. Guided tours every half-hour from the visitors center.



May-Sept: 9am-4pm Daily;
Oct-April: 9am-4pm Mon-Sat; Noon-4pm Sun.

Jesse James' Grave
Mt. Olivet Cemetery Downtown Kearney,
US Hwy 92 or W 6th & S. Jefferson Streets
 Jesse James; wife, Zerelda Mimms; mother, Mrs. Zerelda Samuel; step-father, Dr. Ruben Samuel; & half-brother, Archie Payton Samuel are buried in the west end. *Public location.*

Kearney Historic Museum
101 S Jefferson –
816-628-4229

www.windingriver.com/kearneymuseum/

Safe on display where Frank's ashes were reportedly kept before his final burial in 1944 in Independence. *Open Thurs-Sat, 10am-2pm. Groups by reservation only.*

Missouri City, MO – Clay County

Missouri City was a thriving steamboat port in the 1850s.

Frank James Bank Museum

417 Doniphan Street - 816-750-4380

A store, located in the old bank building was the site of Frank James' first robbery and murder that occurred on May 19, 1863 when Jesse was still a 15 year old boy living at home. Frank paved the way for Jesse's career with his action here. Enjoy an 1860s store atmosphere and learn of his story. *Tours by appointment.*

Independence, MO – Jackson County

Independence Convention & Visitors Bureau

1-800-748-7323 - www.visitindependence.com

1859 Jail - Marshal's

Home and Museum

217 N. Main, 816-252-1892

www.jchs.org/jail/museum.html

After Jesse's death in 1882, Frank turned himself in.

Although accused of bank robbery and murder, Frank was always treated as a favored guest. See his furnished cell and cells which housed other members of the James Gang. Catch a covered wagon historic tour at the jail's front door with Pioneer Trails Adventures (816-456-4991) and hear stories about these infamous outlaws. *10am-4pm, Mon-Sat; 1pm-4pm, Sun (Apr - Oct). Open Fri after Thanksgiving-Dec 31st.*



Hill Park Cemetery - 20th and Ralston

Frank James' ashes are buried in Hill Park Cemetery with his wife, teacher Anna Ralston. *Public location*

Richmond, MO – Ray County Chamber of Commerce - 816-776-6916

www.cofcommerce.home.mchsi.com

Bob Ford's Gravesite - Richmond Cemetery W. Main St.

Between Sunny Slope Cemetery on the west and Shotwell & Woodland Cemeteries is the burial site of Bob Ford: "The dirty little coward that shot Mr. Howard." A member of Jesse's gang, Ford shot Jesse James in the back of the head, while unarmed. June 8th, 1892, Edward O'Kelley shot Ford in Creede, CO where he was living. Ford was



reburied in his home town of Richmond. *Public location (Not accessible by bus/ RV)*

Bloody Bill Anderson's Gravesite Pioneer Cemetery or Old City Cemetery - N Thornton & Crispin Streets

Some people say it was cruel treatment from Union soldiers during the Civil War that turned Frank & Jesse to a life of crime. Certainly during the war years they learned to kill while riding with William Quantrill & Bloody Bill Anderson. *Public location.*

Winston, MO – Daviess County

Winston Train Depot – US Hwy 69 at Winston

The Winston Historic Depot Museum, site of the Great Train Robbery on July 15, 1881 by the James gang. East of Winston on the north side of Hwy 69 is the stone culvert where some say the James gang tied up their horses prior to the robbery. *By appt, call 660-749-5725.*

Gallatin, MO – Daviess County

**www.DaviessCountyHistoricalSociety.com and
www.GallatinNorthMissourian.com**

City of Gallatin

Though suspected of committing the first daytime bank robbery, Frank & Jesse weren't wanted until Captain John Sheets was murdered during 1869 robbery of the Savings Association Office, located at the SW Corner of the Square in Gallatin. Frank James stood trial at the city opera house in 1883, about ½ block NW which was the only building large enough to accommodate the crowds. He was acquitted of all crimes and lived for 32 more yrs.

1889 Squirrel Cage Jail

310 W. Jackson Street - 660-663-2154

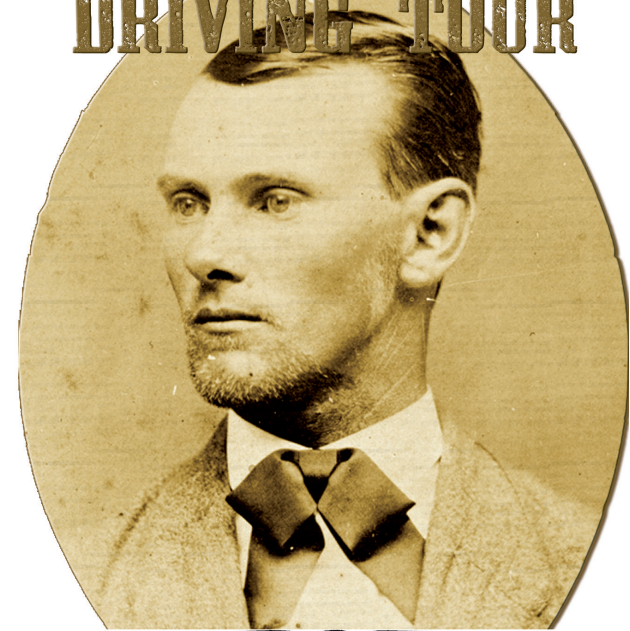
The jail serves as the Visitors Center with exhibits on the trial of Frank James, and his brother Jesse. The Squirrel Cage Jail is 1 of only 3 of its kind in the US. National Register of Historic Places. Wed-Fri 10-4, seasonally. *Tours by appointment only.*

**Jesse James Driving Tour created by the
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Special thanks to all of the Jesse James related attractions for information included in this brochure. Downloadable driving tour located at www.stjomo.com.

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