

Historical Marker - S278 - Marquette's Death (Marker ID#:S278)



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Marquette's Death

Father Jacques Marquette, the great Jesuit missionary and explorer, died and was buried by two French companions somewhere along the Lake Michigan shore on May 18, 1675. He had been returning to his mission at St. Ignace, which he had left in 1673 to go exploring in the Mississippi country. The exact location of his death has long been a subject of controversy. A spot close to the southeast slope of this hill, near the ancient outlet of the Pere Marquette River, corresponds with the death site as located by early French accounts and maps and a constant tradition of the past. Marquette's remains were reburied at St. Ignace in 1677.

Significant Date:

Native People and the French (< 1760)

Registry Year: 1966 **Erected Date:** 1966

Marker Location

Address: South Lakeshore Dr.

City: Pere Marquette Township

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Mason

Township:

Lat: 43.94880200 / **Long:** -86.45566400

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