

A trip to Grinter Place isn't just a look inside the oldest home in Wyandotte County, it's a step back to the days of frontier life along the Kansas and Missouri border. Majestically overlooking the historic Delaware Crossing on the Kansas River, Grinter Place was the home to Annie and Moses Grinter. Annie, a Lenape helped to farm, raise poultry and livestock and planted an apple orchard. Moses, hired by the military, established the first ferry on the Kansas River in 1831 and a trading post, where he traded with the Lenape Indians. His ferry, propelled by the river current, was used extensively by traders, freighters, and soldiers traveling the military fort trail between Fort Scott and Fort Leavenworth, or to Santa Fe.

Moses and Annie Grinter's home, a two-story brick house completed in 1857, is a Kentucky-style home built of brick and mortar, and lumber produced on location. It is the oldest, unaltered building in Wyandotte County. The first civilian post office in Kansas was established here in 1850. The Grinter site was part of the Delaware reserve, covering what is now several counties in northeastern Kansas. The Grinter Place has recently been refurbished to its original grandeur.

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