

Benton County Surveyor's Office  
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**Statement of Evidence:**

**G231**

North Quarter Corner of Section 23, Township 37 North, Range 30 West, 4<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian,  
Mayhew Lake Township, Benton County, Minnesota.

1852 Original US General Land Office survey set a wood post at this location and bearing trees were recorded:

6" Aspen	N 56 1/2 W	7 links
6" Aspen	S 36 E	8 links

1939 County Engineer's Notebook No. 158 contains road survey for CAR No. 20 running east to west along the section line. No corner is shown and stationing gives distance of 5274.3 feet for the north line of Section 23.

2008 Westwood Professional Services found a cast iron monument.

Coordinates Obtained by GPS – DO NOT USE  
NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)  
N- 148112.970  
E- 502903.291

2009 Westwood Professional Services found the cast iron monument (CIM) and compared it to the 1939 information. The CIM falls 21 feet east of the lost position, 40 feet east of the extension of a line drawn from the south quarter corner through fencing found near the Center of Section 23-37-30, and 14 feet west of fencing found along the north-south quarter line of Section 14-37-30. The east-west centerline follows a line drawn from the northeast to northwest corners of Section 23, fitting a lost position. Additional north-south fencing and field roads were located near the east and west sixteenth corners along the north line of Section 23. A north-south cartway was located running through the Southwest Quarter of Section 23. None of the fencing was found to correspond with the CIM or lost position. The cartway location near the center west sixteenth (CW1/16) of Section 23 fits the section subdivision based on the lost position within 2 feet. With the cartway fitting the section subdivision so closely, I believe that it was surveyed at some point in time. Since the corner was considered lost in 1939; since the cartway fits the section subdivision within a couple of feet using the lost position; since the east-west centerline fits the lost position; and since no other measurements and lines of occupation agree with each other, the lost position was considered to be the best position for this corner. The CIM was pulled and a 1/2" x 14" iron pipe capped 19552 was set at the lost position.

Coordinates Obtained by GPS – Set 1/2" iron pipe  
NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)  
N- 148113.991  
E- 502881.634

2012 The Benton County Surveyor's Office found the 1/2" iron pipe capped 19552 set in 2009 and also found a 1/2" iron pipe with unreadable cap at the position the cast iron monument was at 21.8 feet east. The 2009 coordinates were verified.