

# The Diverse History Of Jefferson County

I personally was not born in Jefferson County but through the years that I have lived here I have seen exquisite places and learned about important history of this county. In 1803 Jefferson County was purchased with the Louisiana territory as was the rest of Missouri. We were once under spanish rule but the french sold us the the United States for about \$15 million dollars along with what is now all of South Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri, Iowa, Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma, and parts of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Texas, Louisiana, Minnesota, North Dakota, and new Mexico. All of theses places are different but they do have some similarities for example they have been apart of the same country for long time. All of the states were traded for the better.

You know that we now are a part of the United States but to get here we went through quite a long road. The first country to own the territory was the French in the 1600's, the land was called under a general name of "Louisiana". After the Seven Years' war the United States defeated them and took control of the land in 1763. After about 37 years, in 1800 a treaty passed the land to Spain which then passed the land to France and in 1803, the land was sold to the United States.

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I think that this county has been through a lot and through all of those hard times it has collected many different people and things that make it special. During all of the transitions that took place there have been german, french, and simply americans that have once live in this extraordinary territory. It has been amazing learning about its history and how it came to be.

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