



HISTORY OF WELD COUNTY TOWNS

FREDERICK

Incorporated Weld County Towns - 1907

Initially named McKissick for the land-mine owner, Frederick was renamed when the daughters of Frederick A. Clark laid out the townsite in 1907 and named it for their father. That first year Frederick began as a coal mining town attracting immigrants from Italy, France, Greece, Turkey, several Slavic countries, and Latin America.

The Frederick Coal mine closed in 1928 yet remains of underground mine shafts below the streets can still cause problems. Each September Frederick holds a Miners Day celebration. Frederick has seen unprecedented growth due to its proximity to Denver. Its population in the 2000 census was 2,467 and in 2009 Frederick had over 8,000 residents.

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