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Grand Traverse Bay

French traders named this bay when they made "the long crossing"—la grande traverse—across its mouth. Chippewa and Ottawa tribes fought in this region. Peter [Dougherty's] Indian Mission, established in 1839 at Old Mission, paved the way for white settlers. Founded in 1847, Traverse City was for years an important center of lumbering. Subsequently it has become famous as the nation's cherry capital.

Significant Date:

Native People and the French (< 1760)

Registry Year: 1956 Erected Date: 1957

Marker Location

Address: Clinch Park **City:** Traverse City

State: MI ZipCode:

County: Grand Traverse

Township: Garfield

Lat: 44.76489700 / Long: -85.61190000

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