

CHAMBERS METHODIST CHURCH CEMETERY

Visited April 11, 1970. This well kept cemetery is located behind Chambers Methodist Church on the west side of Chambers Chapel Road a few hundred yards north of Highway 64. Across the front of the cemetery is a fence of brick columns and wrought iron. The columns at either end of this fence are plain. On the remaining seventeen columns are plaques with the inscriptions shown below:

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| 1. Plain column | 8. Chambers Chapel Cemetery
Established 1870 | 13. In memory of
Monroe and Mabel
Bragg Gotten |
| 2. In memory of
W.M. and Willie
Zellner Wylie | The gate is located
between columns 8 and 9. | 14. In memory of
Richard S. and Fannie
Bragg Donelson family |
| 3. In memory of
Willie W. Russell
and Family | 9. In loving memory of
Kathy - Daughter of
J. Wellborn and
Mary K. Bragg | 15. In memory of
J.E. Griffin Sr.
and family |
| 4. In memory of
W.S. and Mary
Russell Baxter | 10. In memory of
Howard Starr Bragg Sr
and Family | 16. In memory of
Francis Edward and
Patsey Cooper Adams |
| 5. In memory of
Norwood E. and
Linnie Crews Wells | 11. In memory of
Frank S. and Belle
Armistead Bragg | 17. In memory of
Joshua E. and
Julia Bragg Crenshaw |
| 6. In memory of
T.L. Russell family
and J.L. Rouse | 12. In memory of
Henry Talbot and
Sallie Starr Bragg | 18. Woman's Society of
Christian Service
1918 - 1960 |
| 7. In memory of
Col. Abner C. and
Ionia Early Wellborn | | 19. Plain column |

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The next six stones and a bench inscribed "Adams" are in one lot:

Adams
 (Mary Elizabeth Bragg
 (July 4, 1845
 (Oct. 6, 1924
 (Footstone: M.E.A.
 (
 (Major Thomas Patton
 (Feb. 10, 1836
 (Sept. 2, 1901
 (Footstone: T.P.A.

Sterling F. Adams
 Jan. 7, 1869
 July 25, 1946
 Footstone: S.F.A.

Henry Bragg Adams
 Oct. 10, 1870
 Aug. 31, 1945
 Footstone: H.B.A.

Mary Buford Adams
 Sept. 4, 1884
 Sept. 22, 1967
 Footstone: M.B.A.

Dorothy Lee Adams
 Feb. 13, 1920
 Nov. 4, 1920
 Footstone: Our darling

Infant daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs.
 Chas. C. Daley
 Born Feb. 9, 1947

Adams
 (Hazel P.
 (Aug. 15, 1882
 (Oct. 15, 1950
 (Footstone: H.P.A.
 (
 (John C.
 (Feb. 26, 1877
 (Aug. 3, 1957
 (Footstone: J.C.A.

Adams
 (Martha "Patsey" Cooper
 (Feb. 25, 1887
 (July 10, 1967
 (Footstone: Mother
 (
 (Francis Edward
 (May 10, 1881
 (
 (Footstone: Dad

Memphis Funeral Home marker:
 Francis Edward Adams
 Died Feb. 18, 1970
 Aged 88 years

A rectangular bricked area with two stone benches, two stone urns and stone marker with inscription:

In memory of
 Heslope Bragg Armstrong
 (See her inscription on next page.)

CHAMBERS METHODIST CHURCH CEMETERY, continued.

Mae Atkins
(No dates)
Footstone: plain

Fay Atkins
(No dates)
Footstone: plain

William Stewart Baxter
Oct. 5, 1872
Dec. 7, 1927
Footstone: Father

Mary Russell Baxter
Oct. 28, 1878
Apr. 21, 1961
Footstone: Mother

Infant son of
W.S. & Mary Baxter
Born Sept. 5, 1900
Died Sept. 6, 1900
Footstone: I.B.

(Infant dau. of
(W.S. & Mary Baxter
(Born Jan. 25, 1909
(Died Feb. 3, 1909
(Footstone: I.B.
(
(Joseph Fountain Baxter
(Born Jan. 25, 1909
(Died June 6, 1910
(Footstone: J.F.B.

Infant son of
E.R. & Kathleen Baxter
June 27, 1942
Cradle foot: Baby

Billings
(Bird W.
(Jan. 3, 1871
(Oct. 13, 1959
(
(My Darling Wife
(Ella T.
(Dec. 18, 1876
(Nov. 27, 1955

Our Darling Son
Rufus G. Billings
1899 - 1905
Footstone: R.G.B.

Next two stones in one lot:
Bragg
(Our Father & Mother
(Though Lost to Memory Dear
(
(Henry Talbot Bragg
(Born in Florence, Ala.
(Aug. 29, 1839
(Died in Shelby Co., Tenn.
(Mar. 15, 1909
(Footstone: H.T.B.
(
(Sallie Starr Bragg
(Born in Shelby Co., Tenn.
(Nov. 1, 1850
(Died Nov. 12, 1893
(Footstone: S.S.B.

Helen deShields Bragg
Daughter of
Henry T. & Sallie Starr Bragg
Born Aug. 13, 1881
Died Jan. 17, 1905
Footstone: H. deS. B.

The next five cradle graves
are in brick enclosed lot:

Frank Stribling Bragg
Born Dec. 3, 1849
Died April 24, 1914
Cradle foot: F.S.B.

Belle Armistead
Wife of Frank S. Bragg
Born Jan. 24, 1856
Died Feb. 24, 1919
Cradle foot: "At Rest"

Ellen - Dau. of
F.S. & Belle D. Bragg
Born Nov. 21, 1887
Died Dec. 15, 1887

Elizabeth F. - Dau. of
F.S. & Belle D. Bragg
Born May 20, 1891
Died Jan. 4, 1894

Henry T. - Son of
F.S. & Belle D. Bragg
Born Dec. 18, 1895
Died Dec. 27, 1895

Next three stones together:
Howard S. Bragg
Aug. 6, 1879
Feb. 8, 1937

Kathey - Dau. of
J.W. & Mary K. Bragg
Sept. 2, 1947
Dec. 20, 1959
Footstone: M.K.B.

Infant Daughter (Bragg)
Nov. 12, 1910 (Only date)
Footstone: Infant

Next three cradle graves
together:

Heslope Bragg Armstrong
Born May 7, 1880
Died Apr. 24, 1957
Cradle foot: H.B.A.

Frank S. Bragg, Jr.
Born Dec. 17, 1882
Died Aug. 29, 1933
Cradle foot: F.S.B.Jr.

Harris F. Bragg
Born May 6, 1885
Died Jan. 29, 1926
Cradle foot: H.F.B.

(Next to)

Edward V. Bragg
Oct. 28, 1855
Mar. 22, 1922
Footstone: E.V.B.

George Graham Bragg
Tenn. - Cpl. - Base
Hospital 15 - World War I
Oct. 31, 1888
Oct. 17, 1960

(Next to)

Mother
Ruth R. Bragg
Mar. 12, 1899
Sept. 26, 1967

Baby
Minnie Louise Brooks
1901 - 1901
Footstone: M.L.B.

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Thornton O. Brown
Jan. 4, 1882
May 17, 1960

Wife
Florence E. Brown
1884 - 1936
Footstone: F.E.B.

Chambers

(Madison
(1804 - 1872
(Footstone: M.H.C.
(
(Martha A.
(1818 - 1883
(Footstone: M.A.C.

Next five stones together:

Osgood Crenshaw, Jr.
1895 - 1896
Footstone: Plain

Frank Crenshaw
1897 - 1898
Footstone: Plain

Winnie Crenshaw
1893 - 1894
Footstone: Plain

Joseph Crenshaw
1898 - 1899
Footstone: Plain

Eva C. - Daut. of
O.A. & M.H. Crenshaw
Died Jan. 16, 1890
Aged 1 Yr & 2 mos.
Footstone: E.C.C.

Next four stones together:

Josh Ecklin Crenshaw
Oct. 18, 1871
Oct. 23, 1940

Julia Bragg Crenshaw
Sept. 23, 1872
Sept. 3, 1957

Henry Bragg - Son of
J.E. & Julia B. Crenshaw
Oct. 12, 1898
Oct. 12, 1900
Cradle foot: Little Darling

Joshua Ecklin Crenshaw, Jr.
Apr. 3, 1901
Nov. 22, 1960

Headstone: D

Joseph W. Dawson
1867 - 1899
Footstone: J.W.D.
(Adj. to and matches
two Rowland stones)

Donelson

(Richard Sampson Donelson
(Aug. 1, 1844
(Aug. 6, 1914
(Footstone: R.S.D.
(
(Fannie C. Donelson
(Jan. 8, 1853
(July 23, 1889
(Footstone: F.C.D.

Mary Donelson
Feb. 8, 1876
Sept. 27, 1960
Footstone: M.D.

Alexander Donelson
Feb. 6, 1879
July 14, 1881
Footstone: A.D.

Francis Armistead Donelson
Aug. 19, 1881
Oct. 14, 1922
Footstone: F.A.D.

Headstone: J.L. Garrett

Gibson

(John I.
(1880 - 1949
(Footstone: Father
(
(Lucy R.
(1886 - 1959
(Footstone: Mother

Next four stones together:

Large stone: Gotten

Monroe Gotten
March 18, 1870
Nov. 10, 1943

Mabel Bragg Gotten
Feb. 11, 1874
July 25, 1949

Infant Daughter (Gotten)
Jan. 23, 1908 (Only date)

Griffin

(James E.
(Mar. 24, 1876
(Jan. 24, 1957
(Footstone: J.E.G.
(
(Frances B.
(Dec. 30, 1894
(
(Footstone: F.B.G.

Robert R. Irvin
Sept. 4, 1902
Nov. 24, 1956
Footstone: Father

Rilla E. Irvin
Mar. 4, 1895
Jan. 24, 1951
Footstone: Mother

Mother
Ida M. Jamison
Feb. 7, 1872
July 20, 1961
Footstone: I.M.J.
(With Redd graves)

Johnson

(Lucy Cobb
(1883 - 1937
(Footstone: Mother
(
(Joseph W.
(1872 - 1936
(Footstone: Father

Annie Matilda Johnson
Jan. 12, 1903
Oct. 19, 1904
Footstone: A.M.J.

Mother
Corrinne J. Lackey
1919 - 1965
Footstone: C.J.L.

Dora M. LaCroix
Nov. 24, 1884
Mar. 12, 1963

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Nellie Irene LaCroix
Mar. 16, 1907
Aug. 14, 1917

Grace LaCroix
Jan. 12, 1909
Jan. 11, 1966

Memphis Funeral Home
marker:
Miss Grace LaCroix
Died Jan. 11, 1966
Aged 55 years.

Land

(Mattie E.
(July 28, 1901
(_____
(
(L. Guilford
(Sept. 10, 1891
(Apr. 15, 1960

Adj. to
Lipton Guilford Land
Tenn. - Pvt. - Co. C
151 Depot Brigade
World War I
Sept. 10, 1891
April 15, 1960

Minor

(Dr. Lancelot L.
(May 12, 1876
(Mar. 2, 1968
(Footstone: Father
(
(Louise Bragg
(Nov. 2, 1887
(_____
(Footstone: Mother

H. Dent Minor - Son of
Lancelot L. & Louise
Bragg Minor
Died March 23, 1910
Aged 7 days
Footstone: H.D.M.

Headstone: P

Mother
Louise Redd
1850 - 1938
Footstone: L.R.
(Next to)

Sam G. Redd
May 20, 1879
Dec. 29, 1955

Jackson's Funeral Home
marker:
Henry L. Redd
1911 - 1966

Henry Lewis Redd
Tenn. - TEC 5 - Co. B
715 Engineer BN - World War II
Dec. 26, 1912
Nov. 1, 1966

Lola E. Hall Redd
Sept. 2, 1917
Sept. 27, 1938

James L. Rouse
Oct. 23, 1881
Apr. 3, 1950

Loren H. Rowland
1872 - 1944
Footstone: L.H.R.

Geneva P. Rowland
1877 - 1963
Footstone: G.P.R.

Thomas L. Russell
Sept. 5, 1855
Jan. 1, 1892

Linnie C. Russell
Dec. 28, 1856
Dec. 9, 1950

Ike F. Russell
Oct. 17, 1882
July 28, 1956

Infant daughter of
T.L. & Linnie Russell
1888
Footstone: Plain

Infant son of
T.L. & Linnie Russell
1890
Footstone: Plain

Freddie E. - Dau. of
J.C. & M.L. Russell
Born Nov. 15, 1873
Died Mar. 17, 1877
Footstone: F.E.R.

Headstone: Ike C. Russell

Large stone: Russell
Before it one smaller stone:

Annie Cobb (Russell)
Aug. 25, 1885
Apr. 9, 1958

Russell

(Ruthie A.
(1892 - 19__
(Footstone: Mama
(
(Willie W.
(1884 - 1956
(Footstone: Daddy

Infant daughter of
W.W. & Ruth Russell
1924
Footstone: Plain

Willie Ruth Russell
1927 - 1936
Footstone: W.R.R.

Mother
Mary Kate Smithart
Jan. 21, 1876
Sept. 21, 1943

Sallie Starling
May 9, 1874
Sept. 5, 1878

Footstone: S.S.
(Adj. to)
Headstone: Sallie Starling
Footstone: Plain
(Adj. to)
Headstone: S
Footstone: Plain

M.R. Starr
(No dates)
Footstone: Plain
(Adj. to)

C.A. Starr
(No dates)
Footstone: Plain

On a cradle foot:
David Etta
Wife of Edward Starr
(No other data)

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Edward W. Starr
Dec. 12, 1852
Nov. 6, 1930
Footstone: E.W.S.
(Adj. to)
(Infant Starr)
Headstone: S
Footstone: In ground
(Adj. to)
Mother
Born Nov. 21, 1860
Died July 25, 1915
She made home happy.
(On large stone at
head of cradle)

Florence G. Sweet
1878 - 1952

A.A. Ulrich
Mar. 29, 1868
Aug. 18, 1932

Lula J. Ulrich
Sept. 5, 1878
Sept. 20, 1961

Three matching headstone of
which two have initial: W
Third is plain.

Linnie D. Crews
Wife of N.E. Wells
Born Oct. 3, 1866
Died Oct. 27, 1895
Cradle foot: L.D.C.W.

Aleine Wilson
Died 1946
Footstone: A.W.

Wylie
(William M.
(1846 - 1931
(Footstone: Papa
(
(Willie E. Zellner
(1870 - 19__

(Footstone: Mama
Martin Ewing Wylie
May 17, 1892
July 3, 1938

Cecil Herman Wylie
1897 - 1940
Footstone: C.H.W.

Sweet
(Dr. Fred Theodore
(1845 - 1881
(
(Isabella Bragg
(1844 - 1903

The cornerstone of this church is located on the north side of the steps at the front,
and the inscription is: Chambers Chapel Methodist

1870 - 1892 - 1928

Committee: H.S. Bragg F.S. Bragg
A.W. Herring M. Gotten
F.E. Adams J.E. Griffin.
I.F. Russell

Mr. W.L. Russell, a store-owner at 10053 Highway 64, Memphis, just west of Chambers
Chapel Road, told the compilers that his parents, brothers, sisters, uncles and other
relatives were buried in this cemetery.

Obituary, The Commercial Appeal, 19 Feb. 1970: Francis Edward Adams, 89, of Arlington,
Tenn., farmer and landowner, died yesterday. His family had lived in Arlington on the
Hazlewood estate, an antebellum plantation, since 1850. The old home, where Mr. Adams
was born, was destroyed by fire last year. He was a member of Chambers Chapel Metho-
dist Church, which his father helped build. He leaves three daughters, Mrs. Charles
C. Daley, Mrs. J.R. Cowles, Mrs R.L. Fraker; three sisters, Mrs. Fannie Feild, Mrs.
Annye Abernathy, and Mrs. Mary Belle Kramer, seven grandchildren, three gr-gr-children.

Obituary, The Commercial Appeal, 26 Apr. 1970: William Oakley LaCroix, 66, died 24
Apr. 1970. Leaves his wife, Mrs. Ida LaCroix, three daughters, Mrs. Lillian Gaines,
Mrs. Mary Stark, Mrs. James E. Barber; seven sons, James, Robert E., Charles, Clarence,
Howard, Fred and Richard LaCroix; his father, H.L. LaCroix; two sisters, Mrs. Velma
Carswell and Mrs. Carlyle King; two brothers, Allen and Marvin LaCroix; 31 gr-children.

Obituary, The Commercial Appeal, 3 July 1971: Homer L. LaCroix, 89, died 1 July 1971.
Leaves two daughters, Mrs. Carlyle King and Mrs. Velma Colwell; two sons, Marvin and
Allen LaCroix; a brother, J.M. LaCroix; two sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Hargrave and Mrs.
Mae Hulett, 20 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.