

OLD SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY

Visited March 8, 1975. This cemetery is located in a grove of trees on the east side of Byhalia Road at the intersection of Holmes Road, south of Collierville, near the Mississippi-Tennessee State line. When the compilers visited the area the cemetery had recently been burned-over and was free of undergrowth. Many sunken areas indicated unmarked or removed graves. Inscriptions gave death dates ranging between 1848 and 1917. A list of Shelby County cemeteries compiled by Gray, Ryan and Caradine in 1939 reported this cemetery as being the site of a Presbyterian Church. The list also indicates a Riddick Cemetery near the intersection of these two roads.

Alice Eudora
 Daughter of
 Elias & M. C. Alexander
 Born Nov. 20, 1847
 Died Dec. 23, 1856
 God in his wisdom has recalled,
 The precious boon his
 love had given,
 And though the casket
 moulders here,
 The gem is sparkling
 now in heaven.
 (Mnt. by) Fuller, St. Louis
 Footstone: A.E.A.

Charles Clarence
 Son of
 Elias & M.C. Alexander
 Born July 5, 1852
 Died Dec. 1, 1856
 Sweet tie that bound our
 hearts to Earth
 Shall bind them more
 to heaven.

Mary C.
 Daughter of
 J. & Nancy Attaway
 Born Aug. 28, 1837
 Died Aug. 8, 1853
 Footstone: M.C.A.

Sarah Abigal
 Wife of E.B. Caple
 Daughter of
 James M. & Achsah Chedester
 Born Feb. 17, 1856
 Died Dec. 14, 1876
 In the truth of the
 Christian Religion
 Footstone: S.A.C.

James S. Crook
 Died Sept. 7, 1849
 In the 54th year
 of his age
 (Mnt. by) C.C. Maydwell

Two adjacent stones:

William G. Davis
 Born Union District, S.C.
 Dec. 30, 1794
 Died Sept. 5, 1856
 I am the resurrection and
 the Life; he that believeth
 in me, though he were dead,
 yet shall he live; and
 whosoever liveth and
 believeth in me shall
 never die.
 (Mnt. by) Fisher-Amis & Co
 Memphis
 (Stone broken at death date)
 Footstone: W.G.D.

Edward H. Davis
 Born at
 Laurens Courthouse S.C.
 Jan. 20, 1829
 Died Aug. 24, 1854
 Whosoever therefore shall
 confess me before men,
 him will I confess also
 before my Father in heaven.
 (Mnt. by) Fisher-Amis & Co.
 Memphis
 Footstone: E.H.D.

OLD SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY, continued

Next two markers were set
flat in large boxed effect
concrete bases:

Jane Dean
Wife of Thomas Dean
Born Feb. 11, 1810
Died Nov. 27, 1878
Asleep in Jesus' blessed sleep

Thomas Dean
Born Mar. 4, 1801
Died June 15, 1866
Dearest father thou has
left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel,
But 'tis God that has
beref't us.
He can all our sorrows heal.
Erected by his beloved wife,
Jane Dean
And three children
Who mourn his loss
(Mnt. by) Scheer & Venn, Mem.

Wm. Leander Dean
Born April 24, 1841
Died Feb. 24, 1856
(Mnt. by) Vann, Memphis.
Footstone: marker, same data

Samuel T. Dean
Born in Larence Cty., S.C.
(as is)
June 28, 1836
Died Oct. 26, 1861
Remember youth as you pass by,
As you are now, so once was I;
As I am now, so you must be;
Prepare for death and eternity.
Footstone: S.T.D.

Samuel - son of
Wm. R. & N.C. Donor
Died Sept. 26, 1863
Aged 8 years

Elizabeth G.
Wife of Jas. H. Dupuy
Born Feb. 10, 1801 in Va.
Died Feb. 8, 1852 in Tenn.
Footstone: E.G.D.

Susie Gatewood - dau. of
Wm. A. & Nannie H. Farley
Born Sept. 22, 1867
Died Nov. 13, 1868
The Lord gave and the Lord
hath taken away: Blessed
be the name of the Lord.
Suffer little children to
come unto me and forbid
them not for such is the
kingdom of heaven.
Footstone: S.G.F.

E.F. Farley
Born Nov. 16, 1852
Died June 7, 1911
W.O.W. Memorial

Footstone: M.T.F.

Footstone: S.R.F.

Robert H. Henderson
1833 - 1917

Cornelia Harriet
Dau. of W.T. Farley and
Wife of R.H. Henderson
Born Aug. 22, 1845
Died Apr. 8, 1898
Footstone: C.H.H.
(Stone off base. The
figures 382 are
scratched on base.)

John Ramsey - son of
J.E. & J.R. Hendrick
Born Apr. 10, 1855
Died June 28, 1856
Beneath this stone lies
our dear son,
He was an infant flower,
And while he sleeps, God
his dust keeps,
Until the rising hour.
Footstone: J.R.H.

Footstone: M.M.T./M.M.H.
and two broken pieces
(*may be base?*) just north
of J.R.H. footstone.

OLD SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY, continued

Infant of R.H. & C.H.H.
(Matches footstones)

(Children of
(A. and G.A. Hill
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(Byrd H.
(Born July 24, 1873
(Died Sept. 24, 1875
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(Joseph C.
(Born April 22, 1868
(Died May 17, 1869
(Four pieces of small
broken double-stone)

Infant son of
John and Martha A. Jarman
Died 1849
(Mnt. by) C.C.M.

Robert K. - son of
John and Martha A. Jarman
Died June 25, 1852
Aged 1 yr 7 ms 5 ds
(Mnt. by) C.C. Maydwell
& Co., Memphis
Footstone: R.K.J.

Three stones in row:

George Hector MacNeill
Was born March 24th 1844,
And departed this life
January 22nd 1848.
Remember mortals as you pass
by, As you are now so once
was I. But death the monster
cut me off, from parents
fondest love. Thus in my most
affectionate age, ends my earthly
pilgrimage. My soul immortal
lives. Beneath this monument,
My body sleeps reposed.
Here will it stay
Until the Judgement day,
When soul and body reunite
To meet a final doom.
Prepare for death,
In graves like me
You all must shortly be.

Phillip McNeal
Born Nov. 1, 1849
Departed this life
July 28, 1850
Taught the first duties
To obey and love,
He is gone to act them
In the realms above.

Isabella McNeel
Born Oct. 20, 1841
Departed this life
Aug. 25, 1850
Sleep soft in dust
Wait the almighty's call
Then in ----- unchanged
----- be an angel still.
(Mnt. by) Maydwell, Mem.
(Stone broken)

Three adjacent stones:

W.F. Mitchell
Born Jany. 27, 1835
Died Oct. 30, 1891
He died as he lived
trusting in God.
Masonic emblem
Footstone: W.F.M.

Mary J.
Wife of W.F. Mitchell
Born Dec. 28, 1835
Died Aug. 11, 1888
Her memory is blessed.
Footstone: plain

Farewell
A. Rosalie
Wife of R.E. Ellis
Born Oct. 16, 1854
Died Apr. 15, 1875
As you are now
So once was I
As I am now
So must you be
Prepare for death
And follow me.
Footstone: A.R.E.

OLD SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY, continued

Mason L. - son of
Thos. H. & Dorothy E.
Moseley
Died Aug. 16, 1859
Aged 4 ys 3 m 27 d
(Mnt. by) Fisher-Amis, Mem.
Footstone: M.L.M.

Charles McD. - son of
Thos. H. and Dorothy E.
Moseley
Died Aug. 19, 1859
Aged 1 yr 6 m 5 d
(Mnt. by) Fisher Amis & Co
Footstone: C.M'D.M.

Alexander G. Neal
Departed this life
Feb. 3, 1858
Aged 37 yrs.
(Mnt. by) C.C. Maydwell,
Memphis

Laverne - daughter of
J.W. & H. Smith
Wife of Chancy Powers
Born Oct. 23, 1826
Died Oct. 1854 (no day)
Sister thou has gone to rest
And this shall be our prayer
That when we reach our
journey's end,
Thy glory we may share.
(Mnt. by) L.H. & J.D. Fuller
St. Louis
Footstone: L.P.

John Randolph
Born Oct. 23, 1819
Died Oct. 23, 1859 (sic)
Aged 40 years
Dearest Husband thou hast
left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel,
But 'tis God that hath
bereft us
He can all our sorrow heel.
Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life is fled,
Then in Heaven with joy
to greet thee,
Where no farewell tear is shed.

Samuel A. - son of
G.A. & Martha Reynolds
Born June 29, 1863
Died Sept. 29, 1864
Footstone: S.A.R.

Richard H. - son of
G.A. & Mary Reynolds
Born in Williamson Co., Tn.
Dec. 29, 1847
Died May 26, 1864
A member of Co. A. 12th
Tenn. Cav. C.S.A.
Footstone: R.H.R.

Mary E.
Wife of G.A. Reynolds
Born in Williamson Co., Tn.
June 25, 1824
Died July 11, 1861

Mary C. Smith
Departed this life
Jan. 17, 1849
In the 26 year of her age.
Beneath this monument her
body sleeps with her two
female infants by her side
waiting the quickening.
(Mnt. by) Maydwell, Memphis
(Stone broken at age line)
Footstone: plain

William W. - son of
W. and A.B. Sullivan
Died Oct. 18, 1852
Aged 3 mo., 11 dy.

Norman B. - son of
W. and A.B. Sullivan
Died July 19, 1851
Aged 2 yrs. 10 ds.
(Mnt. by) C.C. Maydwell, Mem.
Footstone: N.B.S.

Rebecca B.
Wife of F.M. Tarkington
Born July 8th, 1835
Died July 20, 1862
Though lost to sight,
To memory dear.

OLD SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY, continued

Four Stones in row:

Robert E. - son of
Wm. & E.F. Warner
Born March 9, 1835
Died July 8, 1852
(Mnt. by) C.C.M. & Co.
Footstone: R.E.W.

Richard L. - son of
Wm. & E.F. Warner
Born Feb. 19, 1833
Died June 19, 1852
(Mnt. by) C.C.M. & Co.
Footstone: R.L.W.

Adaline H.
Wife of Rev. I.S. Parker
and daughter of
Wm. & E.F. Warner
Born Sept. 27, 1826
Died June 21, 1852
Also her infant Son
Wm. S. Parker
Aged 7 mos.
(Mnt. by) C.C. Maydwell, Mem.
Footstone: A.H.W.

Isabella R.
Daughter of
Wm. & E.F. Warner
Born Feb. 28, 1837
Died July 7, 1852
(Mnt. by) C.C.M. & Co.
Footstone: I.R.W.

NOTES: Williamson Co., Tennessee Marriage Books show a license issued to Geo. A. Reynolds and Mary E. Cook on Oct. 16, 1845. Bondsman Charles F. Wall.

Shelby County, Tennessee Marriage Books show Lic. #1040 issued to John Jarman and Martha Koonce, married on Feb. 18, 1840 by Henry T. Jones.

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BRANCH FAMILY CEMETERY

Visited November 2, 1974. Mr. Horace Colby told the compilers about this small cemetery. It was located some 150 to 200 feet south-east of the corner of Frayser Blvd. and University Street, at the back line of the property at 2239 Frayser Blvd. A small knoll of land at that point held a large trash pile of limbs and other yard debris. Two stones were located, but only one inscription.

M. Branch
Died July 15, 1850
Aged 60.

Only the lower half of the other stone was found. Mr. Colby told compilers he believed the inscription was for J. Branch, but the dates were not known. The 1850 Census of Shelby County, 6th Civil District, Page 115-R, dated 11 Oct, 1850 shows:

#554	Branch, Benj. L	38	TN	#555	Branch, John N.	62	VA
	, Emaline	38	TN		, Margaret	60	NC
	, Geo.	9	TN				