

AIKEN-NEVILL FAMILY CEMETERY

Visited November 3, 1973. This rather overgrown and unkept cemetery is located about 100 yards immediately north of the junction of Old Poplar Pike and Highway 72 (Poplar Avenue, Extended), and about 150 yards northwest of a farm gate at 9564 Highway 72. There was a rough wire fence around the area, located in a grove of trees on a slight rise of land. Five old stones and footstones and eight much newer matched stones were found, while other burials were shown by funeral home metal markers with paper inserts, in some of them. These inserts, dated from the 1950's, had been reversed and the data typed on the blank side.

William J. Aiken July 28, 1823 July 17, 1864 (New stone)	Mathew Nevill Apr. 14, 1808 Nov. 15, 1887 (New stone)	Eliza Overton Nevill Sept. 8, 1849 Oct. 20, 1850 (Fun. home marker)
Nancy Jane Aiken Sept. 15, 1829 Oct. 28, 1914 (New stone)	In Memory of Mahala, wife of Matthew Nevill Born April 19, 1809 Died May 8, 1847 Aged 38 yrs 19 ds. (Old stone) Footstone: M.N.	Mollie K. Nevill Dec. 18, 1853 May 30, 1905 (New stone)
John M. - son of W.J. & N.J. Aiken Born May 3, 1851 Died July 6, 1851 (Old stone) Footstone: J.M.A.	Martha Delia Nevill December 14, 1836 October 25, 1867 (Fun. home marker)	Minnie L. Nevill May 31, 1874 Jan. 31, 1888 (New stone)
Ezekiel L. - son of W.J. & N.J. Aiken Born Aug. 8, 1857 Died Oct. 12, 1858 Sleep on sweet baby And take thy rest, God called thee home, He thought it best. (Old broken stone) Footstone: E.L.A.	William N. Nevill Captain C.S.A. Nov. 1, 1840 Dec. 9, 1932 (New stone)	Charles R. Nevill Aug. 1, 1880 May 7, 1902 (New stone)
Mary R. - wife of R.H. Brewster Born March 10, 1834 Died _____ (Old stone broken across middle of birthdate. The lower part with death date has been set into concrete base and cemented together.) Footstone: M.R.B.	Jennie T. Nevill Apr. 21, 1844 Feb. 3, 1888 (New stone)	Jacob Joyner, Jr. (Funeral Home marker, other data illegible.)
	Charles Henry - son of Matthew & Mahala Nevill Born March 1, 1847 Died June 6, 1847 Aged 3 mos & 5 ds (old stone) Footstone: C.H.N.	Four other funeral home markers indicated other graves.

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Shelby County, Tennessee marriage records:

William J. Aitkin (sic) and Nancy J. Nevill, Nov. 21, 1849,
by Samuel Lambert, M.G., Bondsman A. Kirkpatrick. Lic. #2328.

Matthew Nevill and Emily Morton, License #280 Oct. 27, 1847,
Bondsman L.W. Wren. No return.

Richard Henry Brewster and Mary Rebecca Neville, 9 Apr 1854,
by R.R. Evans, M.G., Bondsman B.J.F. Owen, License #3441.

The 1850 Census, Shelby County, 10th Civil District p. 183-R:

#1511	Nevil, Mathew	42	M	Farmer \$4,000	N.C.
	, Emily	27	F		Ala.
	, Elizabeth	18	F	In school	Tenn.
	, Mary	16	F	In school	Tenn.
	, Delia	14	F	In school	Tenn.
	, Weslchina	12	F	In school	Tenn.
	, William	10	M		Miss.
	, Antonet	6	F		Miss.
	, Eliza	7/12	F		Tenn.

1850 Fayette Co Tn census - Akin (sic), William J 27 b AL, Jane N
20 b NC, Mary F. Aston 47, Robert T 13.

The 1860 Census, Shelby County, 10th Civil District, p. 352-R:

#1232	Nevill, Mathew	52	M	Farmer \$16,000/\$22,000	N.C.
	, Emily	38	F		Ala.
	, Elizabeth	28	F		Tenn.
	, Adelia	24	F		Tenn.
	, Wesalina	22	F		Tenn.
	, William	20	M	Farmer	Miss.
	, Antonett	16	F	In school	Tenn.
	, Benjamin	8	M		Tenn.
	, Edward	6	M		Tenn.
	Brewster, Sallie	5	F		Tenn.
	, Alice	3	F		Tenn.
	, Charles	1	M		Tenn.

Sept. 10, 1860, Page 358-L House #1303 gives some duplicate
information: Brewster, Richard H. 29 M Farmer \$10,000/\$18,000
Ga., Fanny M. 24 F (married within the year) Tn., Sallie T. 6
Tn, Alice 3 Tn, Charles 2 Tn.

Obituary, Memphis Press-Scimitar, December 2, 1974:

Services for Miss Emma Thompson Nevill, 97, ...were today at the
grave in Elmwood Cemetery. Miss Nevill, who began teaching in
Collierville at the age of 18, was the granddaughter of Matthew
Nevill who built a two-story log farmhouse near Forest Hill in
1830. The farmhouse remained in the Nevill family for 102 years.
After the death of Miss Nevill's father, Capt. William Norwood
Nevill in 1932, the home was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cawthon
and restored to its original state on their on Raleigh-LaGrange
Road farm. Miss Nevill was a Presbyterian.