

NEWSPAPER CLIPPING

Workmen, excavating for an addition to The Commercial Appeal's building on Union, were confronted with a mystery yesterday when they dug up a time-worn tombstone bearing the name of Lizzie Messinger, as the paper reported October 5, 1948. At the top of the three-foot stone was carved a reclining lion, and under this were the letters and figures of "R", "G", "F", "09".

Lizzie Messinger
Faithful member of
The Humble Seeker Circle
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Died Aug. 24, 1819

(Editor's note: It seems unlikely anyone would have died in Memphis/Shelby County in 1819 (date of founding) and had a large carved tombstone unless it was set later as a memorial or moved to this area.)

NOTES

The information for the notes on some people in the following cemeteries was gathered from Memphis/Shelby County Tennessee marriage records 1819-1864 and Shelby Co TN census indexes for 1850 and 1860.

WALKER FAMILY CEMETERY (p. 4) NOTES:

1850 census index - Walker, Jane 40 b NC, Charles 6, William 50, Benjamin S. Fant 40, Sarah T. Fant 19, William Fant 1 month.

Thomas Holeman Jr. married Miss R.F. Walker 10 Jun 1860 by J.W. Knott, Bondsman J.W. Harrison, License No. #5458 Shelby County.

JONES-BARTON FAMILY CEMETERY (p. 5) NOTES:

1850 Shelby Co TN census, 6th C.D., p. 108-L, 7 Oct 1850, #445 Jones, J. (John) C. 42 b NC, Sarah 34 b NC, Sarah 14 TN, James (E) 12 TN, Nancy (C) 10 TN (md a Taylor), John (E) 8 TN, Wm (H) 6 TN, Chas. (E) 2 TN, Hobbs, Nath. 24 NC and Bruce, Benj. 22 IL.

Sarah A. Jones, wife of Wm H. Jones, is buried adjacent to Caleb R. Purser and his wife, Hattie B. Means, in Raleigh Cemetery. See notes with Raleigh Cemetery regarding James Purser and family which included son, Caleb R. Purser.

1860 Census of Shelby Co TN, 6th C.D., p. 317-L, 30 July 1860 - #1138 Means, Mary A. 44 b SC (wife of Tomas A. Means), Eliza 22 MS, Harriet 21 MS (md Caleb R. Purser), Mary 19 MS, Sarah 16 MS (md W.H. Jones), Louisa 12 MS, Claudia 8 MS & S.A. Means 43 SC.

JONES-BARTON FAMILY CEMETERY (p. 5) NOTES (continued)

1860 Census of Shelby Co TN, 6th C.D., p.318-L, 31 July 1860; #1154 Jones, John 51 NC, Sarah 44 NC, J.E. 22 TN, W.H. 16 TN, Chas. E. 12 TN, M.L. 10 f TN, Nancy C. Taylor 20 TN, Mary Taylor 2 Tn and Ed Slaughter 18 TN. In 1860 Census of Jones family was James Percer 42 NC living alone next house.

LAYTON FAMILY CEMETERY (p. 5) NOTES:

1850 Fayette County Tennessee census - Layton, Francis S. 31 b NC, Emma 31 b NC, James H. 8, William E. 6, Mary A.E. 4, Judah 3, Rebecca E 1 month, Jackson C. 27.

1860 Fayette County Tennessee census - Layton, F.S. 40 male, Emiline 42, T.H. 20 male, William 17, Elizabeth 15, Lindy 13 female, Rebecca 11, Jane 9, Anne 7, Sidney 5 female.

1850 Shelby Co TN census - Galloway, James P 34 b NC, Matilda 34 b NC, Norflet 13, Emma 10.

1850 Shelby Co TN census - Galloway, John 65 b NC, Pennilope 56 b NC, Caswell 26, William 19, Henry 6, Fanny 50, Tennessee 15.

OLD SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY (pp. 7-11) NOTES:

Jerimiah E. Hendricks married Jane R. McMillan 9 July 1845. Bondsman M.B. Frierson, Lic. #1817.

F.M. Tarkington married Rebecca B. Anderson 10 Oct 1854 by Samuel Gilliland, Bondsman P.H. Tarkington, Lic. #3563

Daughter of William and E.F. Warner, Adaline H. Warner, married Isaac S. Parker 29 Oct 1850, Bondsman Jno M. Curlee?, Lic. #2669.

ARLINGTON CEMETERY (pp. 20-32) NOTES:

Obit - 12/25/1974
Mrs. Martha Westcott
Danon of Troy, MI
Wife of Robert R.

Obit - 3/7/1975
Mrs. Peggy Demoss
Aged 42

Obit 1/3/1975
Mrs. Thelma Essie
Courson, aged 64
Widow of Oliver H.C.

Obit - 10/30/1975
Mrs. Sara Woodson
Smith, aged 86

Obit 12/10/1975
Mrs. Edna Pope
McKnight Aged 85
Widow of W.H. McKnight

Obit - 2/21/1976
Robert Taylor
Rickett, aged 61

Obit - 4/12/1976
Mrs. Blanche
Anderton McCuan
Aged 75
Widow of
R.L. McCuan

Obit - 5/1/1976
Malcolm T. Moore
Aged 57

Obit - 5/29/1976
Mrs. Willie Mae
Snyder, aged 63