GHOLSON CEMETERY

This site was first used as a cemetery in 1871 when the infant daughter of pioneer area settlers Thomas W. and Charlotte Rozell was buried here. The oldest marked grave is that of Sarah Kiker (1802-1877). In 1885 W. F. Umberston, who settled in the area before the Civil War, set aside two acres here as a public burial ground for the Gholson community. Located on the property was a one-room building, the Kellum School, which was also used for local church services. A cemetery tabernacle was built in 1925 and additional land was acquired in 1950.

Further research has shown that the oldest marked grave in the cemetery is that of Ann Ophelia Umberston (May 12, 1846 - Dec. 14, 1875).
Gholson Cemetery, FM 1858, Gholson, McLennan Co., Texas on April 20, 1997
by Susan Chance-Rainwater and R. Steven Rainwater

Umberson Family Section
Plot found in the front, right-hand corner as you enter the cemetery

A. Carroll Umberson, 1896-1988, Dad, Masonic symbol
   Lois Umberson, 1899-1976, Mother, Eastern Star symbol

B. W.R. Umberson, Sept 21 1867 - Nov 22 1932
   Ola Umberson, Jan 9 1874 - Sep 9 1947

C. W.F. Umberson, May 11 1937 - Oct 28 1898, Father
   M.J. Umberson, Oct 31 1844 - Nov 25 1922, Mother

D. Ethel, daughter of W.R. & Ola Umberson, Apr 17 1897 - Sept 28 1913

E. Mabel, daughter of W.R. & Ola Umberson, May 7 1890 - Sep 9 1900

F. Emma F., daughter of W.F. & M.J. Umberson, Jun 5 1879 - Nov 24 1889


H. Ruffie, son of W.F. & M.J. Umberson, Apr 9 1881 - Oct 7 1889

I. Elizabeth, wife of J.C. Umberson, Mar 30 1814 - Nov 19 1889

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Ann Ophelia Umberson, May 12 1843 - Dec 14 1875, wife of W.F. Umberson
This grave is at some distance from Umberson family plot, under a large oak tree. A state
historical marker indicates that this is the oldest marked grave in the cemetery, and that the land
was given by W.F. Umberson for a community cemetery.
Carroll Umberson, son of W. T. R. Umberson, and wife Lois Sullenberger Umberson
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. Steven Rainwater & Susan Chance-Rainwater
W. R. UMBERSON
SEPT. 21, 1867
NOV. 22, 1932

William Thomas Riddle Umberson, son of W. F. Umberson & A. O. Westmoreland
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. Steven Rainwater & Susan Chance-Rainwater
Ola Chatham Umberson, wife of W. T. R. Umberson
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. Steven Rainwater & Susan Chance-Rainwater
William Franklin Umberson & Mary Jane Singleton McDonald Presnall Umberson
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. Steven Rainwater & Susan Chance-Rainwater
Mabel Umberson
7 May 1890 - 9 Sep 1900
daughter of W. T. R. & Ola Umberson

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Apr 1997
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Emma Florence Umberson, 5 Jun 1879-24 Nov 1888
daughter of Mary Jane & William F. Umberson
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Photo by R. S. Rainwater & S. Chance-Rainwater
Richard Rufus Umberson, 9 Apr 1881 - 7 Oct 1889
son of Mary Jane & William F. Umberson
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
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Elizabeth "Bettie" Kellum Umberson
wife of J. G. Umberson
30 Mar 1814 - 19 Nov 1889
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
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Ann Ophelia Westmoreland Neal Umberson, 12 May 1843-13 Dec 1875
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
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E. D. KELLUM
DIED
MAR. 7, 1891.
AGED 63 YRS.

Edward D. Kellum, Jr., 19 Jan 1826 - 7 Mar 1891
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. S. Rainwater & S. Chance-Rainwater
Nancy E. Kellum, wife of Edward Kellum, Jr.
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
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THOMAS SMITH KELLUM
NOV. 29, 1859
APR. 8, 1915

Thomas Smith Kellum, Jr., Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. Steven Rainwater & Susan Chance-Rainwater
SON OF T. S. KELLUM

1895

Infant son of Thomas Smith Kellum, Jr., b & d 1895
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. Steven Rainwater & Susan Chance-Rainwater
Elijah Calvin Presnall, son of Caleb Calvin Presnall and Phoebe Ann McAddin, stepson of Mary Jane Singleton McDonald Presnall Umberson
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
Photo by R. Steven Rainwater & Susan Chance-Rainwater
Martha Euphrasia Philen Presnall, wife of Elijah C. Presnall
Gholson Cemetery, McLennan Co., TX, Apr 1997
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