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## LITTLE - SWAIN Cemetery at MINDEN

These abandoned graves are located between Highways 95 and 1798 near Minden. They are in a pasture behind a locked gate. The gate is almost opposite the Maple Grove Church and cemetery. Only three markers were found. Copied 30 Dec. 1965. Some graves were reported to have been removed from this cemetery and taken to the LITTLE Cemetery at Wood Glen.

LITTLE, W.D. - 29 SEPT. 1808 - 4 July 1866

NICHOLS, Jo Anna, dau. of Aaron and J.N. - d 26 July 1894

BUCKANAN, Ann - 15 March 1858 - 28 Feb. 1890

One foot marker - "E.B.J." Headstone missing

## JAMES LITTLE CEMETERY AT PATRICK

This abandoned cemetery was located on the CLINTON place at Patrick. James Little was said to have been buried here in about 1867, as was his son, George age 12. Ronnie Gregory reported this cemetery as located a few hundred yards east of Alvin Mansinger's home. In 1966 in the pasture, on a slight rise, there was found a number of sinks, the base of one tombstone, and a smaller broken stone that read:

LITTLE, Emily J.- 3 Oct. 1850 - 11 Sept. 1863

## LITTLE CEMETERY AT WOOD GLEN

Located in the Wood Glen Community about one mile off Farm Road 840, near the home of Virgil LITTLE. It was copied 2 Jan. 1965, and additions made through 1980.

\* RAINWATER, William C.- 1883 - 1944 "Daddy"

LITTLE, Walker, son of G.R.- 1910 - 1921

LITTLE, Sybol, dau. of G.R.- 1920 - 1921

\* RAINWATER, B.M. - Company C Lane's Regiment CSA

LITTLE, Roy, Inf son of G.R. - 1911 - 1911

LITTLE, James Robert - 29 Aug. 1846 - 4 Aug. 1912 CSA

LITTLE, Mary C. (SWAIN) - 7 Oct. 1858- 21 Dec. 1928 "Mother"

( one unmarked grave- footmarker "A.J.L. " -  
another "T.M.L."

WELCH, Jesse P. 1875 - 1945

WELCH, Emily J. (Jane) - 1874 ---

WELCH, Daisy M. dau of J.P. & Emily Jane WELCH- 8 Sept. 1905-  
14 July 1907

Begin second row to east:

LITTLE, Daisy Belle, dau of J.R. & M.C. - 13 Nov. 188--

( illegible- stone broken and death date missing)

LITTLE, Nora Jane, dau of J.R. & M.C. - 7 Oct. 1901-

11 Apr. 1902

LITTLE, John S., son of J.R. & M.C.- 31 Aug. 1886- 22 Aug. 1899

LITTLE, Arthur B.L.- son of J.R. & M.C.- 28 June 1897-

3 Sept. 1897

## ZION HILL CEMETERY

Zion Hill Cemetery is located across the road from the Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church. (Organized August 1868) It is approximately eleven miles southeast of Henderson, between Farm Road 840 and the old Nacogdoches Highway. It is on the John Ferguson Headright.

The first person known to have been buried there was Dr. John Ferguson, who died 28 December 1853, according to Probate Records in the Rusk County Courthouse. His grave is unmarked and lost. His son, Augustus Ferguson donated the land for the oldest part of the cemetery. At one time crape myrtle bushes marked the Ferguson graves. Several graves of Ferguson slaves are also said to be buried here near the west fence line.

The oldest death date on a marked grave is 1878. The earliest birth date is that of Frances Rowell, died 1884, aged 88. (Eorn 1796)

In 1959, my mother and I copied the inscriptions. In 1977, Kay Farley helped me bring the inscriptions up to date. Some graves marked only with funeral home markers in 1959 have since disappeared.

For many years, Misses Alice and Zonie Harkness cared for the cemetery. Before they moved away, they accompanied me to the cemetery and showed me the location of several unmarked graves. Some were:

HARKNESS, Lacy Ann Kelly ( their mother)

HARKNESS, Mattie

HUTCHINS, Nolie Harkness & baby

HARKNESS, Donie Baggett

HARKNESS, Jesse and four  
of his children

WELCH, Mary, dau. of Ben

FERGUSON, Velona Turner, wife  
of Augustus Ferguson

KNIGHT, Claude, died at age 13

BARTON, child

CROW, several children

JONES, Anna Buckner

JONES, Appleone - (3 Sept. 1885- 6 Aug. 1927)

WILBANKS, Mrs. Laura - d. Oct. 1914 (mother of Olive Welch)

(This grave was later marked)

WHITLEY, Mr.

BUCKNER, Julius

At one time the Phillip Griffith family kept paupers for the county, and some of these people are also said to be buried here in unmarked graves.

Inscriptions are included through December 1980.

## Zion Hill Cemetery, Continued:

HUDGINS, Edward L.- 26 February 1881- 11 June 1956  
 HUDGINS, Emma E. (JONES), wife of Edward L.- 21 June 1883-  
 12 January 1970  
 GOOLWIN, William J.- 25 July 1869- 4 December 1943  
 GOODWIN, Mary Ollie (JONES), wife of William J.- 18 June 1877-  
 30 July 1943  
 JONES, Homer C.- 6 February 1887- 6 December 1961  
 JONES, Susan Jane (Griffith), wife of Homer C. 15 April 1888-  
 25 November 1922  
 HOLLEMAN, James R.- 14 November 1856- 16 December 1935  
 HOLLEMAN, Mrs. Virginia- 28 December 1863- 27 September 1917  
 WELCH, Larissa (McKNIGHT) 2 April 1821- 2 April 1891  
 WELCH, J.A.H. 1844-1928  
 WELCH, Josephine (LEWIS), wife of J.A.H.- d. 9 April 1889  
 BARKSDALE, Celia, wife of G.B.- 29 April 1810- 24 Dec. 1883  
 HOLLEMAN, Effie Lena- 28 March 1887- 9 June 1889  
 GRIFFITH, Lela R., dau. of P.F. & A.E.- 1 Aug. 1869- 1 Apr. 1881  
 KNIGHT, Lenora (GOTHARD), wife of J.R.- 14 August 1865-  
 14 June 1898  
 KNIGHT, James Robert, 30 July 1871- 4 July 1962 (unmarked)  
 GRIFFITH, Noah B. 2 May 1857- 15 March 1892  
 GRIFFITH, N.J., wife of A.G.- 1 January 1831- 7 May 1903  
 ROUSSEAU, Edna Travis, dau. of L.V. & Estella - 1904  
 \* ROUSSEAU, Fannie M.R. (RAINWATER), wife of L.V.- 28 December  
 1867- 4 March 1900  
 ROUSSEAU, Willie Opal- 12 October 1898- 14 March 1900  
 BIRDWELL, Andrew T., son of G.T. & S.E.- 1 April 1888  
 25 June 1889  
 HARRELL, Infant of E.A.- 5 September 1890  
 ROWELL, Frances, wife of Jonathan- Died --April 1884, Aged 88  
 Years.  
 HARRELL, Gladys- 11 September 1890- 4 September 1897  
 NELSON, William - 2 June 1831- 24 July 1897  
 NELSON, Emily (ROWELL), wife of William- 26 November 1832 -  
 6 August 1912  
 HARRELL, George B.- 24 September 1902- 14 December 1974  
 HARRELL, Nannie R. (Mims) wife of George B.- 11 Dec. 1897 (living)  
 HARRELL, J.M.- 22 February 1861- 14 January 1914  
 HARRELL, Emma Ann (DEASON), wife of J.M.- 7 January 1866-  
 1 June 1954  
 GRIFFITH, Mabel Clara (Harrell)- 25 April 1888- 1 June 1962  
 GRIFFITH, Henry Clyde, son of E.E. & M.C. - 25 March 1911-  
 24 July 1924  
 GRIFFITH, Eddie E. III,- 16 July 1959- 4 January 1960  
 HALL, Mozelle, dau. of L.D. & E.M.- 5 January 1918- 2 Aug. 1922  
 HALL, Esther M. (HARRELL), wife of L.D.- 31 October 1894-  
 27 August 1922  
 DENTON, L.D. (Pat)- 20 April 1896- 10 Dec. 1974  
 DENTON, Mable E. HALL, wife of L.D.- 7 June 1916- 26 Feb. 1979  
 WILSON, Ardis HARRELL- 7 January 1899- 23 April 1977  
 WILSON, Fred- 8 Nov. 1897- 3 Sept. 1978



## SHILOH CEMETERY

Located southeast of Minden, just off Highway 315. The gateway sign states that this cemetery was established 1853. It is a very large, well-kept cemetery, with a Baptist Church nearby. Copied 26 Feb. 1963.

BEARDEN, Sammie Delores -14 June 1937 - 6 Mar 1948  
 BEARDEN, R.B. - 1870 - 1951 "Father" Mason  
 BEARDEN, Masie - 1876 - 1958 "Mother"  
 BEARDEN, SAM H.- 23 Sept. 1895 - 25 Nov. 1922  
 WILLIAMS, Kitty WOOD- 2 Nov. 1871 - 9 Apr. 1958  
 WILLIAMS, Robert W. - 4 Dec. 1856 - 15 May 1940  
 PINKERTON, T. Frank - 8 Sept. 1873 - 1 Aug. 1954  
 PINKERTON, Linnie J.- 18 Sept. 1875 - 9 Dec. 1956  
 PINKERTON, Harvey - Tex Pvt. 33 U.S. Inf - 3 Apr. 1937  
 WALLACE, Fannie - 4 Mar 1885 - 26 Aug. 1940  
 WALLACE, Edgar L.- 1889 - 1963 "Our Daddy"  
 MITCHELL, Herman L.- 5 May 1887 - 4 Aug. 1954  
 MITCHELL, Willie G. - 22 July 1896 ---  
 McCORMACK, Maggie WALLACE- 17 June 1895 - 6 Dec. 1929  
 WALLACE, Amanda V. - 27 Sept. 1869 - 6 Feb. 1940  
 WALLACE, M.A. - 26 Mar 1852 - 27 Oct. 1927  
 WALLACE, Jesse J.- 27 Mar 1903 - 27 Aug. 1921  
 JENKINS, Robert Lee - 21 Mar. 1875 - 26 Mar 1875  
 JENKINS, Sidney J.- 15 Oct. 1861 - 21 Nov. 1957  
 JENKINS, Mary J.- 10 Apr. 1845 - 17 Mar 1918  
 JENKINS, John E. - 8 Sept. 1839 - 20 Oct. 1929.  
 JENKINS, Jessie B., son of J.E. & M.J.- 27 Aug. 1878- 2 Mar 1902  
 WALLACE, Pearl - 31 Oct. 1884 - 7 July 1961  
 WALLACE, P.B. 27 Aug. 1847 - 11 Aug. 1916 "Papa"  
 WALLACE, Sallie F., wife of P.B.- 14 May 1855 - 25 Jan. 1917  
 WALLACE, Margaret E., wife of J.A.- 27 Sept. 179--? -  
 18 Nov. 1886 "Mother"  
 WALLACE, Flora A., wife of A.W.- 24 Nov. 1861 - 26 July 1884  
 WALLACE, Evie, dau of P.B. & S.F.- 2 Aug. 1888- 1 Dec. 1890  
 WALLACE, Amelia B., dau of P.B. & S.F. - 27 Oct. 1878-  
 1 Jan. 1886  
 WALLACE, Eliza, wife of J.A.- 20 Nov. 1816 - 27 Oct. 1880  
 WALLACE, James Adams- 10 Dec. 1818 - 4 Nov. 1895  
 Tex Capt Co G 2 Regt Tex Inf CSA  
 BEARDEN, Robert Alton - 20 Feb. 1905 - 9 July 1915  
 BEARDEN, Gertie A., dau of R.B. & M.A. - 1 Sept. 1897- 3 Jan. 1899  
 BEARDEN, Inf son of R.B. & M.A.- 10 Feb. 1900 - 10 Mar. 1900  
 BEARDEN, Inf dau of R.B. & M.A.- 27 Aug. 1914- 4 Sept. 1914  
 PHILLIPS, Sallie - 1856- 1921  
 BARTLETT, DANIEL - 2 Nov. 1813 - 10 Dec. 1880 - Mason  
 TURNER, John H.- son of H.G. & E.V.- 22 Apr 1857 - 7 Mar 1871  
 POOVEY, Achsah, wife of D.M.- 28 May 1830 - 6 June 1904  
 POOVEY, D.M.- 31 Mar. 1844 - 26 July 1921  
 McCORD, Inf of R.T. & M.A.- b & d 23 May 1898  
 WALLACE, Aaron Wood - 14 May 1857 - 6 Oct. 1947  
 WALLACE, Sarah Ellen - 2 Oct. 1869 - 17 Aug. 1940  
 WALLACE, John W., son of A.W. & S.E.- 23 Aug. 1888- 26 July 1889

## Shiloh Cemetery, continued:

TURNER, Laura Belle - 7 July 1893 --  
 TURNER, William J. (M.D.) - 13 Oct. 1882 - 23 Feb. 1956  
 TURNER, Jesse H. - 28 June 1858 - 2 N v. 1936  
 TURNER, Clara - 16 Mar. 1866 - 1 Apr. 1946  
 TURNER, George Orren - 5 July 1895 - 5 March 1964  
     Mess Sgt. HQ co 345 Field Arty World War I  
 WALLACE, Mrs. Nancy Elizabeth, d 9 Sept. 1952, age 71-7-23  
     (Cason-Monk Funeral Home, Nacogdoches, Tex)  
 WALLACE, T.S. - 4 Nov. 1821 - 1 Mar 1886  
 WALLACE, Clara Belle - 15 Oct. 1892 - 5 July 1893  
 WALLACE, Joe - 27 Oct. 1897 - 10 Nov. 1897 "Children of  
     A.B. & Julia A. WALLACE"  
 WALLACE, Mae - 20 Feb. 1881 - 15 Nov. 1903  
 WALLACE, Hope Roy - 18 June 1894 - 5 Aug. 1900  
     "Children of A.B. & Julia A. Wallace"  
 WALLACE, A.B. - 3 Feb. 1853 - 21 Oct. 1917  
 WALLACE, Julia A. - 18 N v. 1859 - 28 Aug. 1934  
 WALLACE, Thomas - 25 Dec. 1899 - 25 Feb. 1931  
 PARKER, Purtime, wife of R.F. - 14 Feb. 1816 - 13 Jan. 1894  
 PARKER, R.F. - 21 Oct. 1812 - 8 Jan. 1894  
 PIERCE, Nancy J. - 29 Apr. 1808 - 21 Feb. 1889  
 GRIFFIN, Robert L. - 11 Aug. 1870 - 11 Nov. 1943  
 GRIFFIN, Joe - 22 Apr 1913 - 14 Feb. 1926  
 GRIFFIN, Leila BOYNTON - 29 Aug. 1874 - 18 June 1924  
 SMITH, Amanda, wife of W.D. - 28 July 1855 - 16 Sept. 1923  
 SMITH, W.D. - 1 Sept. 1843 - 14 Sept. 1918  
 HUGHES, R.E. - 1879 - 1959  
 KIRK, S.G. - 22 Nov. 1868 - 21 Dec. 1935  
 THREADGILL, Delmar R. - 22 Nov. 1919 - 25 July 1950  
     Tex 1st Lt. 5 Cav (Inf) 1 Cav. Div ( Inf) World  
     War II Korea  
 { RAINWATER, Evelyn - 20 May 1923 - 18 Mar 1937 (New London Exp.)  
 RAINWATER, Helen - 5 July 1925 - 18 Mar 1937 ( New London Exp.)  
 RAINWATER, Aubra - 10 Apr 1921 - 18 Mar. 1937 (New London Exp.)  
 LITTLE, Glenn E. - 4 Aug. 1916 - 25 Feb. 1940  
 RUSSELL, Thomas G. - 1 Sept. 1927 - 6 June 1944  
 RUSSELL, William B. - 26 July 1906 - 24 Nov. 1954  
 HARVEY, Curtis J. - 17 Dec. 1912 - 18 Aug. 1944  
     ( one unmarked)  
 MORELAND, Elsie M. - 1925 - 1958 ( A. Crim Funeral Home)  
 FRYMAN, William Curtis = 20 Apr 1902 - 18 Feb. 1963  
     ( two unmarked)  
 WINFREY, Solon I. - 1861 - 1946  
 WINFREY, Maud - 1890 - 1974 (obit)  
 TURNER, Robert Ector - 28 Aug. 1880 - 4 July 1953  
 GAGE, John M. - 5 Apr. 1883 - 4 Aug. 1945  
 CLINTON, John Allison - 3 Sept. 1859 - 19 Apr. 1944  
 KENT, William W. - 4 Sept. 1870 - 4 Feb. 1945  
 KENT, Ida - 22 Sept. 1870 - 20 Jan. 1940  
 MIZE, Goodwyn Parker - 1869 - 1932  
 PARKER, Eld. William A. (Sr) - 23 Sept. 1848 - 23 Jan. 1914  
 PARKER, Sue WILLIAMSON - 1848 - 1923  
 PARKER, Eula M. - 1873 - 1964