



Haynes Creek Primitive Baptist Church - Established 1826

HAYNES CREEK BULLETIN

November 2009

*A Newsletter from the Haynes Creek Cemetery
Committee – Founded 1947*

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. Psalms 116:15

I am so thankful for this scripture verse and to know that death is not the end but just the beginning and will be wonderful for those of us that know Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. God is so good in allowing us opportunity to help each other in preserving the memories of those that have gone on before us. You have been great in keeping your family plots clean and in order, helping with the workdays and your donations.

I also want to thank our Cemetery Committee for their work. It all has been a pleasure for me. Thank you all. Larry Rutledge

COPING

Please remember to have your grave sites done if not already since our records of ownership are very limited.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Our 4th annual Memorial Service, May 17, 2009 was very good. We had Legacy of Praise sing, then Nan Wilson, a member of our committee and the church talked about history of the church. Mr. Marvin Worthy, our County Historian talked about

people of the past that lived and had ties to folks in the area. One being Margaret Mitchell, author of “Gone With the Wind”, about her love at one time for a relative of Mr. Olin Upshaw, the owner of the old Rosebud General Store, which is very close to the church. He told how she would travel through the area and at one time lived in Between, Ga., which is just between Loganville and Monroe, Ga. Rev. Ron Cole, Chaplain at Emory Eastside Hospital in Snellville brought our devotion. We also recognized those that had passed away in the last 12 months and had prayer for their families. It was a great day of remembrance.

Our next Memorial Service is scheduled to be May 2nd, 2010, at 3:00 p.m. and will be inside the church as it was this year. So far we have Mr. Marvin Worthy, Legacy of Praise and Rev. Kenneth Hughes scheduled to be with us. Mark your calendar and join us.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Founded in 1947-All Voluntary
Martha Allen
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770-922-1589
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770-972-2008
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Tony Wood

Dwight McCart – We are glad to have Dwight as our newest member. He grew up within sight of the church. His dad and several relatives are buried here. He has helped on our workdays and used his trucks and tractors when needed. He is a great addition.

Please call us if we can be of service to you.

WEB PAGE

Our web page is
www.haynescreekcemetery.com.

MEMORIAL AREA

We hope you have seen by now our beautiful memorial area by the drive close to the middle of the cemetery. It consists of our new bell tower made from solid granite and a bench. The original bell was cleaned, repainted and mounted on the tower. We plan someday to have a memorial stone with the names

of people buried in unmarked/unidentified graves. Please call Larry Rutledge with any names you know of to be put on that memorial.

MAILING LIST

Please notify Larry or Janice Rutledge at 770-972-2008 to have a name added or deleted.

BEFORE YOU DIG

Before you ask for a grave to be dug, it is cemetery policy that you call Chris Rutledge at 770-861-2528. This will insure we keep up to date records of people buried here.

WORK DAYS

We have 2 planned work days each year. Everyone is invited at 9:00 a.m. the Saturday before Thanksgiving, November 21, 2009 and the 3rd Saturday in April, 2010. Many thanks to Jim Martin, Dwight McCart, Chris Rutledge, Betty Thomas, Chloe Rutledge, Jeremy Rutledge, Tommy Rutledge, Janice Rutledge and Larry Rutledge for their hard work on April 18, 2009. It was a very good day.

CLEANING POLICY

As a part of our workday, our policy is to remove any old looking faded flowers. It would be very helpful if you did it on your lot before we have to. All of this is for the total beautification of the cemetery. We appreciate your help in this.

BURIALS SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2008

Tony A. Bentley, 4/7/1945, 11/12/2008; Leo Neil Reagin 4/27/1927, 1/5/2009; Virginia Dell Farmer 12/25/1923,

12/22/2008; Norma Dale Trotter 10/7/1937, 4/11/2009; Kenny Rodgers 7/14/1954, 4/16/2009; Kenneth A Wilson 9/12/1944, 5/14/2009; and Gladys Muzette Reagin 11/23/1924, 6/13/2009. Our thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of these.

STORIES OF THE PAST OF PEOPLE BURIED IN THE CEMETERY

On a brilliant bright and hot August Sunday some years ago we decided to walk to the Nunnally family grave site near the bell tower with my maternal grandmother, Nell (Nunnally) Brown (now deceased), and her two remaining sisters, Flora Dean (Nunnally) Webb, and Grace (Nunnally) Malone (now deceased). The Nunnally family gravesite has the graves of my maternal great grandfather, Claude Delion Nunnally and my great grandmother, Azzie Lee (Mann) Nunnally. Also buried there are my great great grandparents, James H. Nunnally and Melissa Ann Nunnally. Nell (Nunnally) Brown, my maternal grandmother was buried there since then.

On James H. Nunnally's tombstone the inscription contains his Confederate Army unit: 35th Georgia Infantry, Company G, CSA. I always thought that it was neat to know that my great great grandfather was in the Confederate Army, but I never knew anything about him. One day I asked my grandmother, Nell (Nunnally) Brown about him and she said when she was a little girl, she used to sit on his lap, and he had a long white beard. She said he didn't talk about the war, but he

had a bad leg from it. She told me that her grandmother, Melissa Ann, used to fuss about how the Yankees came through and stole all of their yams and chickens.

My brother, Lee Claborn (now deceased and also buried at Haynes Creek Cemetery), went to a CSA convocation and discovered that they could research a relative who fought in the Civil War. We found out from the research when James joined up and that his unit was identified as that ingraved on the tombstone. We also found out that he was wounded at Gettysburg (shot in the leg!), and the Union Army captured him and sent him to a POW camp. It is believed that he was later in a prisoner exchange and finished the war with his unit. He was listed as a private in his unit of the 35th Georgia Volunteer Infantry. On the Muster Roll of Company G, they were called the Walton Sharpshooters (Walton County). He surrendered with his unit at Appomattox.

My wife and I were on a trip up north with my mother, Kathryn (Brooks) Claborn, and father, D. L. Claborn. We visited the Gettysburg battlefield, and I asked one of the Park Rangers if there was a list of the Confederate units that fought at Gettysburg. He pulled out a book and said that there was a list, and there was a guide to where the unit's camp was located and the locations was marked by a marker with a bronze plaque listing all the units of Confederate Armies camped on that area. We were directed to a marker on Seminary Ridge,

the Confederate stronghold, a mile or so west of Cemetery Ridge, the union stronghold. Sure enough, there on the marker, the Georgia 35th Infantry was listed!

My eyes teared up as I stood there with my mother thinking about Grandpa Nunnally camped out there and walking on that same ground, not knowing from one day to the next if he would be alive or dead. Thank the Lord he made it through and returned home to have a family, and we stood there as a testimony to the goodness of the Lord for sparing him and giving us a chance at life. What he saw and heard on that horrible battlefield at Gettysburg must have been beyond description. I marvel at the thought of it every time I visit the Gettysburg National Park or see a documentary about it on TV. My great great grandfather, James H. Nunnally, 35th Georgia Infantry, Company G, CSA, was there and lived through it! Praise God! By Gary Claborn

in the rear of the church to collect and keep this information. In order to do this we need you to send us information on your relatives buried here. We would also like to have several volunteers that would be willing to interview family members for this. If you would like to send in articles you can mail them to Larry Rutledge, P O Box 347, Snellville, GA 30078 or e-mail to larry_rutledge@bellsouth.net and if you would like to volunteer interviewing and writing articles, please let us know by e-mail or call Larry at 770-883-5325. This information can be stored for future reference and some can be used in future newsletters.

all you do physically and monetarily is greatly appreciated. You may send your donations to:

Haynes Creek Cemetery
Committee % Evelyn Elliott
414 Chicamauga Ct.
Loganville, GA 30052

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO RICHLY BLESS EACH OF YOU. PLEASE PRAY FOR GOD'S LEADERSHIP AND HELP AS WE CONTINUE TO HONOR AND UPHOLD THE MEMORIES OF OUR LOVED ONES THAT HAVE GONE BEFORE US.

THANK YOU

We would like to collect and keep articles like the one above for future generations. Our idea is to place a fireproof file cabinet

Thank you for all you do to help maintain our Historical Cemetery. Remember your donations are tax deductible and

