

# Gilbert Cemetery

Russell, Arkansas



Photo by Ellen Blair

**This Cemetery is also known as: O'Neal Cemetery**

**GPS Location: 634833-3914185**

**Arkansas Archeological Survey site #: 3WH0662**

**Number of Marked Graves: About 90**

**Number of Unmarked Graves: Unknown**

**The last complete survey of this cemetery was: December 7, 2000 By Leroy Blair.**

**There has been Obituaries that were printed in the newspaper posted since the last survey was made.**

**Current status of cemetery: Active.**

**Point of contact for cemetery. No contact person known.**

**This site, also known as O'Neal Cemetery, is located at the west side of the city. From Hwy 67N, take the Russell exit (60) and enter the city from the east. Crossing the railroad tracks, turn left onto Hwy 367 and go south to Vine Street; turn right on Vine and continue until it dead ends; turn left on Second Street and follow it until it ends, then turn right and continue approximately 150 yards. The cemetery is up on the hill to the left from the house that is there.**

**This cemetery was originally listed November 8, 1981, as "O'Neal Cemetery," by Cloie and Leister E. Presley of the White County Historical Society and published in the 1988 White County Heritage. It was fenced and had a gate March 17, 2000, when Tommy H. Treadway of the White County Historical Society updated the Presleys' work. "The cemetery is maintained and most of the stones are in good shape," he reported. "Some sunken spots were seen, apparently old gravesites." He said he was told the cemetery was first called Gilbert because the first individual buried there was a small child whose last name was "Gilbert". A one-year-old boy named Gilbert was buried here in 1877.**

**The records were updated again December 7, 2000, by Historical Society member Leroy Blair. He found 19 mounds or depressions that were probably unmarked graves, nine graves marked only with rocks and 11 other graves with funeral home markers that were no longer legible. Blair was chairman of the WCHS cemetery committee and a member of the board when he visited the cemetery again January 7, 2005, and made additions and adjustments to this list.**

**The cemetery was visited in June 2004 by Historical Society member Scott Akridge, who noted that it is on "a very old road" from Searcy to Grand Glaize. "Carter Cemetery and another cemetery at Bald Knob are also on this old road. This road predates the railroad and thus likely was a pre-Civil War route as well." Blair, who is chairman of the Historical Society's cemetery committee and a member of the Board of Directors, visited the cemetery again on the last day of 2004 and double-checked the information below against what he saw on the tombstones, making some corrections and other adjustments.**

**If you have corrections or additions to this list or other information on this Cemetery, Contact the White County Historical Society, P.O. Box 537, Searcy, AR 72145. Or phone 501- 278- 5010**

**Following is a list of known burials in this cemetery.**

**Anderson, Agness – 1873 – 1949 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR - (Obit)**

**Barnes, Ann – 1884 – 1922 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Barnes, Ed I. – 1874 – 1958 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Barnes, Edwin M. – June 30, 1832 – February 10, 1899 – DS with Mattie E. Barnes - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Barnes, Mattie E. – 1872 – 1950 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR - (Obit)**

**Barnes, Mattie E. – December 12, 1835 – October 26, 1895 – DS with Edwin M. Barnes - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Bray, Porter – 1879 – 1929 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Burnett, Ethel T. – May 8, 1907 – April 11, 1940 – DS with Infant son - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Burnett, Infant – No dates listed – Son of Ethel T. Burnett – DS with Ethel T. Burnett - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Burnett, Joseph W. – July 15, 1903 – December 26, 1978 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Burnett, Scotty O. – July 10, 1935 – November 22, 1975 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Burnett, Vernon W. – November 10, 1930 – December 27, 1930 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Byrd, Mary C. – 1863 – 1954 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Byrd, Noah W. – March 3, 1898 – August 25, 1912 – Son of J.E. & M.C. Byrd - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Cook, Howard Preston – Born and died March 2, 1934 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Craig, Maudie – February 16, 1897 – March 5, 1897 – Daughter of J.W. & L.C. Craig - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Dobbs, Callie Mae – January 4, 1916 – July 26, 1974 – DS with Delphard “Dude” Dobbs - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Dobbs, Delphard “Dude” – June 13, 1911 – April 27, 1974 – DS with Callie Mae Dobbs - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Dobbs, Jerry Del – February 18, 1945 – May 6, 2013 – Gilbert Cemetery, Russell AR – (Obit)**

**Folsom, Austin C. – March 6, 1879 – October 9, 1900 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Folsom, Charles M. – November 25, 1825 – July 6, 1891 – 7<sup>th</sup> Indpt. Btry Wis. Lt. Arty – Husband of Cornelia - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Folsom, Cornelia (Knapp) – October 13, 1845 – February 13, 1918 – Wife of Charles M. Folsom - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Folsom, W.T. – November 6, 1869 – October 31, 1911 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Gilbert, Infant – March 23, 1876 – August 9, 1877 – Son of S.S. & H.R. Gilbert - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Gilbert, Mother – October 30, 1843 – 1886 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Gilbert, Nellie E. – March 3, 1878 – April 2, 1897 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Gilbert, Samuel S. – September 1?, 1838 – February 20, 1899 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Gilbert, Samuel Walter – March 16, 1874 – May 1, 1967 – Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR – (Obit May 2, 1967 paper)**

**Goad, John W. – June 3, 1868 – March 30, 1887 – Son of J.L. & C.M. Goad - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Good, Canarisa M. – July 12, 1840 – April 10, 1890 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Hammond, Corine – November 20, 1896 – April 9, 1897 – Daughter of S.D. & E.L. Hammond - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Hammond, Elizabeth – December 25, 1893 – October 9, 1896 – Daughter of S.D. & E.L. Hammond - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Hammond, Eva – 1871 – 1899 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Hilton, W.R. – September 16, 1848 – November 14, 1897 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Litherland, Della – 1888 – 1902 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Litherland, James A. – 1852 – 1924 – DS with Mary E. Litherland - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Litherland, Mary E. – 1885 – 1927 – DS with James A. Litherland - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Litherland, Sarah J. – December 11, 1879 – April 4, 1911 – Wife of Ira Litherland - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Matlock, Paul T. – April 17, 1919 – February 20, 1978 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**McGehee, Benjamin F. – May 11, 1842 – May 21, 1918 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**McNatt, Willie Mae – 1910 – 1914 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Moore, Edna Odell – October 25, 1922 – July 30, 1929 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR - (Obit)**

**Moore, Harold – May 7, 1907 – November 1, 1937 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Moore, Helen – November 26, 1912 – June 6, 1924 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Moore, Josiah – February 25, 1828 – December 24, 1912 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Moore, Josiah “Joe” Jr. – November 2, 1874 – May 11, 1929 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Moore, Lenora – January 9, 1885 – July 22, 1926 – Wife of Joe Moore - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Moore, Palmyra – August 29, 1841 – April 20, 1923 – Wife of Josiah Moore - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Moore, Robert M. – No dates listed – (Co. E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ark. Cav. C.S.A.) - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Nelson, Junita – April 20, 1909 – May 31, 1935 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Nelson, Nellie Gilbert – September 28, 1904 – October 31, 1996 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Newman, Bertha – December 29, 1891 – January 20, 1982 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Newman, Daniel A. – February 9, 1883 – August 9, 1952 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**O’Neal, Grace M. – 1878 – 1958 – DS stone with W.B. O’Neal - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**O’Neal, J.W. – January 4, 1835 – May 8, 1891 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**O’Neal, James M. – October 19, 1857 – January 12, 1910 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**O’Neal, Lawrence – June 17, 1908 – September 22, 1939 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR - (Obit)**

**O’Neal, Leasom – August 28, 1910 – June 6, 1932 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR - (Obit)**

**O’Neal, Perry E. – Died March 25, 1941 – Age 64 - (Old FM) - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**O’Neal, Rebecca C. – June 15, 1864 – October 20, 1946 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR – (Obit)**

**O’Neal, W.B. – 1869 – 1938 – DS with Grace M. O’Neal - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Odle, Anthony R. – February 2, 1839 – October 10, 1890 – Co. G. 9<sup>th</sup> Ind. Regt. U.S. Inf - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Osborne, Nancy Jane – Died September, 1969 – Age 92 years – Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR – (Obit) September 24, 1969 paper**

**Ostella, Carl Norman – 1944 – 1945 – Son of Arthur & Margaret Perryman Ostella - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Pennington, Charles S. – February 26, 1932 – August 14, 1996 – SP4 U.S. Army - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Pennington, Elmena S. – 1901 – 1966 – DS with Robert A. - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR – (Obit January 11, 1966 paper)**

**Pennington, Robert A – 1899 – 1966 – DS with Elmena S. Pennington - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Perryman, Carl Norman – 1914 – 1945 – Son of Arthur & Margaret Perryman - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Roberts, George – 1868 – 1958 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Roberts, Ted D. – April 7, 1918 – February 12, 1967 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Roetzel, Carl D. – 1939 – 1940 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Roetzel, Loyd B. – 1915 – 1916 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Ross, Jimmy W. – August 13, 1936 – December 15, 1948 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Singletary, Charles A. – November 27, 1850 – December 8, 1909 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Smith, Arthur T. – January 23, 1914 – September 25, 1987 – (FM) - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR – (Obit) September 27, 1987 paper**

**Smith, Billy Ray – February 11, 1933 – April 29, 1987 – DS with Joan Smith - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR – (Obit) April 30, 1987 paper**

**Smith, Joan – April 21, 1935 – February 12, 2009 – DS with Billy Ray Smith - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR - (Obit)**

**Smith, Juanita – January 8, 1914 – July 4, 2005 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Williams, Maud Edna – December 27, 1906 – August 14, 1932 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Alonzo A. – 1856 –1923 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Alvis A. – 1882 – 1932 – TS with Minnie & Howard Wood - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR - (Obit)**

**Wood, Atlee Franklin – October 3, 1892 – October 23, 1918 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Cecil J. – 1896 – 1917 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Harry (Infant) – 1905 – Only date listed – DS with Oscar Wood - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Henrietta – 1867 – 1902 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Hettie – 1875 – 1935 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Howard A. – 1907 – 1909 – TS with Minnie & Alvis Wood - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Joe D. – 1880 – 1938 - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Minnie B. – 1887 – 1912 – TS with Howard & Alvis Wood - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Oscar (Infant) – 1906 – Only date listed – DS with Harry Wood - Gilbert Cemetery, Russell, AR**

**Wood, Wayne Sutherlin – January 21, 1928 – August 15, 2003 – Husband of Juanita Burnett Wood**

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**Most of the cemetery information listed was collected by Leroy “Lee” Blair Former member of the White County Historical Society Board of Directors. Now working at the White County Historical Society office**

**If you have any additions or corrections to the burial listing please contact the Historical Society. Phone 501-278-5010 or Email me at [lblblair74@gmail.com](mailto:lblblair74@gmail.com) or [wchs1962@gmail.com](mailto:wchs1962@gmail.com)**

**I will be posting more burials later. The Searcy Daily Citizen donated all their Micro Film and Ledgers dating back to 1953. After reviewing them, if I find a death of a person that we do not have I will to add to the cemetery listings.**

**There are some graves listed as unmarked that may have had a tombstone set since the listing was made.**

**I may have missed some graves when I prepared the listing. Some cemeteries are very hard to get an accurate listing due to how some graves are scattered**

**The following Abbreviations are used in the listings.**

**FM-Funeral home marker DS-Double tombstone TS-Triple tombstone**

**(Obit)-means that the Historical Society has, or has access to the Obituary for this person.**