

Leggett Cemetery

Little Red Arkansas



Photo by Leroy Blair

This Cemetery is also known as: Hilger Cemetery.

Legal description: NE, SE, SE, Sect.34, T11N, R7W

GPS Location: 615289-3923124

Arkansas Archeological Survey site #: 3WH0610

Number of Marked Graves: About 130

Number of Unmarked Graves: Unknown

The last complete survey of this cemetery was: December 8, 2004 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. Jim Ellis 501-728-4292 or Ronnie Williams 501-728-4172.

Some call this the Hilger Cemetery. It is located just west of 14-Mile Creek on Highway 124 between Little Red River and Sunnydale. The cemetery is south of the highway on the side of a hill and not visible from the road. Napoleon Hilger gave the land for the cemetery but the oldest marked grave is a Leggett. A tornado went through the April 7, 1903, killing members of the Leggett family, who were buried here.

This cemetery was listed in August 1962 by Cloie Presley of the White County Historical Society. She added five more graves to the list in 1982, and then she and her husband Leister Presley updated the cemetery on June 20, 1997. In 1962 there were three funeral home markers that were unreadable, and approximately 54 graves marked with a rock. Mrs. Presley's listing, which showed the location of these rocks and was not alphabetized, is in the Historical Society archives. This material was prepared for the Internet in 1999 by Richard White of Greensboro, NC. It was updated by Historical Society member Leroy Blair, who visited the cemetery August 29, 2000, and again in 2002. Blair added several names and other information to the list. He found 56 unmarked graves and was unable to find four graves that were on the original list: R.S. Adams, Leggett, Leggett and Simeon Rice. Blair, a member of the Historical Society's board of directors and chairman of the cemetery committee, visited this site again on December 8, 2004, and personally checked the information on each headstone in the cemetery and compared it to the list below, updating and adjusting it for accuracy.

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.

?, Geraldean – March 3, 1935 – June 2, 1993 - (No other name) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Adams, Andrew Boyd – September 18, 1952 – February 17, 2014 – Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Adams, John Richard – May 15, 1885 – May 5, 1955 – DS with Ollie Adams - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Adams, Loran – March 6, 1923 – November 3, 1984 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Adams, Ollie – March 3, 1891 – August 2, 1974 – DS with John Richard Adams - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Adams, R.S. – May 15, 1885 – May 5, 1955 – This may be an old stone for John Richard Adams - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Aker, Baby – Born and died February 25, 1971 – (FM) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Alton, Audrey Lorene – October 20, 1932 – Only date listed – DS with Raymond Clentis Alton - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Alton, Raymond Clentis – March 17, 1928 – January 4, 1985 – DS with Audrey Lorene Alton - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Barnes Wm. D. – February 12, 1866 – February 1, 1912 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Barnes, Barbra – March 19, 1941 – February 22, 1977 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Barnes, James Allen – January 28, 1967 – January 22, 1977 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Barnes, Swifton F. – July 6, 1894 – November 28, 1906 – Son of W.D. & N.J. Barnes - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Bullock, A.R. – September 4, 1924 – January 16, 1925 – Son of J.T. & N.A. Bullock - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Caldwell, Edgar Eugene – June 25, 1924 – November 20, 2002 – DS with Joann Caldwell - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Caldwell, Infant – December 30, 1968 – Only readable date – (FM) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Caldwell, Joann – November 24, 1942 – Only date listed – DS with Edgar Eugene Caldwell - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Capps, Edna K. – December 3, 1907 – March 26, 1993 – DS with Oatis James Capps - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Capps, Infant – Died in the Fall of 1929 – Son of O.J. & Edna Capps - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Capps, Infant – October 30, 1927 – November 1, 1927– Son of O.J. & Edna Capps - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Capps, Oatis James – February 5, 1909 – May 15, 1987 – DS with Edna K. Capps - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit) May 17, 1987 paper

Casey, Jess S. – July 19, 1905 – February 24, 1994 – DS with Rubey E. Casey - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Casey, Rubey E. – February 8, 1908 – August 7, 1984 – DS with Jess S. Casey - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Castor, Shane Ray – Died November 7, 1956 – Age 6 months – Son of Leonard Castor - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Castor, Thomas Gerald Jr. – September 7, 1979 – Only date listed - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Cook, Cecil – July 4, 1911 – Only date listed – DS with Ossie Lee Cook - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Cook, Ossie Lee – January 3, 1914 – December 21, 1956 – DS with Cecil Cook - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit December 26, 1956 paper)

Davis, Lillie Corrine – October 25, 1911 – March 14, 1912 – Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. W.S. Davis - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Davis, Raymond T. – July 20, 1909 – February 20, 1912 – Son of Mr. & Mrs. W.S. Davis - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Eddington, Alvie H. – January 8, 1912 – May 18, 1987 – U.S. Army - WWII - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit) May 19, 1987 paper

Eddington, Saul R. – January 28, 1914 – June 19, 1994 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Ellingwood, Beulah E. – September 28, 1900 – September 2, 1987 – DS with James J. - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit) September 4, 1987 paper

Ellingwood, Cathy E. – November 28, 1960 – October 26, 1989 – Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit) October 29, 1989 paper

Ellingwood, Frank – October 3, 1857 – January 9, 1943 – Husband of Sarah G. Gabbert - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Ellingwood, James F. – September 11, 1926 – July 11, 1998 – DS with Lois Ellingwood - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Ellingwood, James J. – November 18, 1897 – August 26, 1973 – DS with Beulah E. Ellingwood - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Ellingwood, Jerimiah Joseph – October 24, 1979 – June 14, 2010 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Ellingwood, Lois – September 28, 1924 – February 16, 1995 – DS with James F. Ellingwood - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Ellingwood, Muggins – February 24, 1900 – March 16, 1901 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Ellingwood, Sarah G. (Gabbert) – March 1, 1866 – April 14, 1900 – Wife of Frank Ellingwood - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Gibbird, Dorinda – Died March 15, 1896 – Age 60 years - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Gunnett, Eunie – June 6, 1893 – July 24, 1965 – DS with George W. Gunnett - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Gunnett, George W. – June 5, 1896 – February 22, 1948 – DS with Eunie Gunnett - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Hensley, Amanda – 1885 – 1922 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Ava Irene – December 13, 1906 – October 26, 1983 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Dewane A. – August 18, 1946 – December 26, 2009 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Hensley, Dove H. – June 13, 1895 – September 20, 1964 – DS with Riley P. Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit) September 21, 1964 paper

Hensley, Earl – February 2, 1902 – February 1, 1975 – DS with Lillie Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Edith W. – October 12, 1915 – February 1, 1990 – DS with Thomas Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit) February 13, 1990 paper

Hensley, Infant son – Born and died 1921 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Jo – 1929 – 1931 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Lillie – September 22, 1907 – July 25, 1992 - DS with Earl Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, R.H. – May 11, 1875 – November 9, 1958 – DS with Rosie Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Ralph E. Sr. – January 26, 1919 – April 5, 1973 – Tec4 U.S. Army – WWII - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Ray – February 22, 1928 – July 6, 1946 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Riley P. – September 1, 1888 – September 13, 1971 – DS with Dove H. Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Rosie – August 24, 1877 – March 29, 1949 – DS with R.H. Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hensley, Thomas A. – January 31, 1915 – April 19, 1984 – DS with Edith Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hicks, Ott – March 7, 1882 – January 6, 1975 – DS with Pearl Hicks - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hicks, Pearl – January 21, 1892 – November 12, 1957 – DS with Ott Hicks - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit November 13, 1957 paper)

Hilger, Glen Napoleon – October 25, 1916 – March 2, 2002 – (FM) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hilger, Napoleon B. – January 18, 1848 – July 1, 1913 - Husband of R. Annie Hilger - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hilger, R. Annie – July 3, 1870 – July 26, 1924 – Wife of N.B. Hilger - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Hilger, Ruby – November 4, 1909 – January 28, 1910 – Daughter of N.B. & R.A. Hilger - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Holst, Cecil Wilbur “Bill” – May 29, 1941 – July 5, 2009 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Holst, Cuyler Wren – December 1, 1997 – February 13, 1998 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Jackson, Gene Paul – April 30, 1916 – November 11, 2004 – DS with Lucille Jackson - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Jackson, Lucille – October 12, 1916 – October 4, 2009 – DS with Gene Paul Jackson - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Jenkins, Charley – April 25, 1895 – July 11, 1978 – DS with Florence Alma Jenkins - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Jenkins, Florence Alma – September 12, 1899 – February 13, 1977 – DS with Charley Jenkins - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Jenkins, Jo Anne – June 12, 1933 – October 27, 1933 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Jenkins, Michael Randolph – October 29, 1948 – February 10, 1995 – Sgt. U.S. Air Force - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Jenkins, Vernon – April 29, 1925 – May 2, 1925 – Son of Charley & Florence Jenkins - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Jenkins, Wayne Lensey – March 7, 1921 – October 30, 1984 – U.S. Navy RMC – Korea - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Lampton, Gertrude – December 7, 1906 – January 23, 1985 – DS with S.L. Lampton - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Lampton, S.L. “Bud” – January 6, 1902 – November 22, 1973 – DS with Gertrude Lampton - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Leggett, Alice V. (Moseley) – May 6, 1861 – September 12, 1927 – DS with James B. Leggett - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Leggett, Biron V. – January 30, 1889 – April 7, 1903 – Son of James B. & Alice V. Leggett – (Killed by tornado) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Leggett, Homer C. – July 27, 1884 – April 7, 1903 – Son of James B. & Alice V. Leggett – (Killed by tornado) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Leggett, James B. – August 24, 1857 – December 26, 1920 – DS with Alice V. Moseley Leggett - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Leggett, Maggie Lener – April 28, 1882 – October 5, 1883 – Daughter of James B. & Alice V. Leggett - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Lenover, George – October 6, 1842 – July 1, 1929 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Long, Deloris A. – June 7, 1969 – June 7, 1969 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Long, Dora – March 19, 1910 – November 19, 1994 – DS with Robert Long - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Long, Gracie – February 12, 1951 – February 15, 1951 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Long, Jerry Wayne – October 5, 1952 – October 5, 1952 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Long, Robert – February 17, 1902 – February 22, 1992 – DS with Dora Long - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Moser, Dollie E. – October 29, 1901 – January 13, 2000 – DS with John H. Moser - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Moser, John H. – October 9, 1900 – December 31, 1989 – DS with Dollie E. Moser - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Overstreet, Mero Wanda – Died April 1969 – Age 47 years – (Unmarked) Leggett Cemetery – Little Red AR – (Obit April 28, 1969 paper)

Poter, Easter A. – February 25, 1864 – November 18, 1909 – Wife of J.F. Poter - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Pratt, Peggy Jean (Hensley) – December 8, 1932 – February 17, 1981 – Daughter of R.P. & Dove Hensley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Reckart, Arthur Lloyd – February 2, 1932 – April 23, 2010 – DS with Viola M. Reckart - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Reckart, Viola M. – September 18, 1930 – May 11, 2001 – DS with Arthur L. Reckart - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Reed, Ada – February 22, 1910 – October 5, 1919 – Daughter of Sallie & C.T. – DS with Sallie (Mother) – Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Reed, Sallie – March 8, 1879 – December 3, 1920 – Wife of C.T. Reed – DS with Ada Reed (Daughter) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Rice, Simeon – May 3, 1956 – Age 54 – (Unmarked grave) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Rodgers, Bryant H. – May 18, 1919 – May 21, 1970 – Pfc. U.S. Army – WWII – DS with Clara Bell Rodgers - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Rodgers, Clara Bell – August 31, 1922 – October 10, 1997 – DS with Bryant H. Rodgers - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Rutherford, T. M. – Died 1891 – Age 47 years - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Sample, Isaac – February 1, 1890 – January 26, 1937 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Sexton, Betty Ruth – May 2, 1934 – October 2, 1997 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Sexton, Dewey Lee – November 6, 1968 – August 17, 1983 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Sexton, Francis – September 3, 1905 – April 2, 1998 – DS with Lee Sexton - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Sexton, John E. Sr. – Died November 24, 2004 – Age 73 years - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Sexton, Lee – October 13, 1900 – February 25, 1973 – DS with Francis Sexton - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Sexton, Rose – April 12, 1868 – June 8, 1953 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Sexton, Willie Ray – March 7, 1936 – November 8, 1954 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Soles, Billy – April 4, 1868 – April 3, 1912 – DS with Rebecca Soles - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Soles, Burl Dean – February 6, 1951 – April 24, 2001 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Soles, Ethel M. – August 8, 1910 – June 2, 1998 – DS with Willie T. Soles - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Soles, James H. – August 26, 1939 – Only date listed – Ark. Wagoner – 53 Pioneers Inf. - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Soles, Rebecca – February 7, 1870 – December 19, 1948 – DS with Billy Soles - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Soles, Willie T. – September 1, 1917 – November 1, 1963 – DS with Ethel M. Soles - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Talley, Nevada – May 16, 1889 – October 18, 1907 – Wife of Arch Talley - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Van Horn, Thomas Daniel – January 15, 1955 – November 5, 2015 – Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR– (Obit) Book # 12 - page V 41)

Warden, Hazel S. – 1928 – 2000 – TS with Karl E. & Karol Dean Warden - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Warden, Karl E. – 1922 – 1981 – U.S. Navy – WWII – TS with Karol Dean & Hazel S. Warden - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Warden, Karol Dean – 1959 – 1965 – TS with Karl E. & Hazel S. Warden - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Warder, ? – No dates listed - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Watkins, Nadine Hayden – April 22, 1926 – February 26, 2005 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (Obit)

Watkins, Troy Jr. – 1931 – 2003 – (FM) & large white cross with Watkins on it - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Weatherford, Charlie A. – November 3, 1876 – December 31, 1954 – (FM) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR (Obit)

Weatherford, Ruby Lee – October 25, 1928 – December 27, 1955 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR (Obit)

Williams, Charlene – August 21, 1927 – October 20, 2013 – DS with Clelley C. Williams – Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit)

**Williams, Clelley C. – March 31, 1926 – March 21, 1987 – DS with Charlene Williams - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR – (Obit)
March 23, 1987 paper**

Williams, Monty R. – April 8, 1958 – August 23, 1980 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Wood, Ruby – April 30, 1910 – March 20, 1934 - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR

Yarbrough, Irene Pearson – December 24, 1958 – Age 78 Years - (Unmarked) - Leggett Cemetery, Little Red, AR - (From Obituary in Newspaper)

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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 on the square in Searcy. WCHS P. O. Box 537 Searcy, Ark. 72145.

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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.