

Starkey – Barger Cemetery

Rose Bud, AR



Photo by Leroy Blair

This Cemetery is also known as: None known

GPS Location: 584093-3904476

Arkansas Archeological Survey site #: 3WH0696

Number of Marked Graves: About 15

Number of Unmarked Graves: Unknown

The last complete survey of this cemetery was: By Leroy Blair

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

Current status of cemetery: Abanded

Point of contact for cemetery. No known contact person.

This cemetery is located south of Rose Bud in Section 33, Township 8 North, Range 10 West, across Highway 5 from the old Starkey Place, which was the Herb Moon Place in 1962 when Cloie and Leister Presley of the White County Historical Society prepared the first listing. "It is in sight of Highway 5 but is on a wooded hill," they wrote, "and would hardly be noticed if you were not looking for it. It could not be seen in summer. There is not even a trail leading to it but it is fenced with barbed wire and is not badly overgrown. Only two unmarked graves."

The cemetery was visited 38 years later by Leroy Blair of the White County Historical Society, who did not find any additional graves. "I was told by people in the area that this is known as the Starkey-Barger Cemetery," Blair reported. "The cemetery is located about five miles south of Rose Bud on Highway 5. There is a hill which has been cut into to widen the road. The cemetery is on the right of the road. Just where the road starts up the hill, there is a place where you can pull off the road and park. The cemetery is about 100 feet up the hill from the parking spot. It is a small cemetery. It has not been cleaned for many years. But there does not appear to be any damage to the stones. I found all the graves that were listed by Cloie and Leister Presley in 1962. I do not believe there are any unmarked graves."

The Presley report noted that "Caroline Barger was the daughter of John B. Starkey and Nancy Weaver Starkey. The family came to Arkansas from Itawamba Co., Miss., in 1870. They had formerly lived in N.C. and Alabama (Tuscaloosa County)."

Following is a list of known burials in this cemetery.

Barger, Rachel Caroline – January 3, 1866 – September 5, 1926 – Wife of Hosea L. - Starkey / Barger Cemetery, Rose Bud,AR – (Obit)

Barger, Eli – March 23, 1908 – July 5, 1908 – Starkey / Barger cemetery. Rose Bud. AR.

Barger, Hosea Lafayette (H.L. on stone) – July 14, 1853 – June 21, 1932 - Starkey / Barger Cemetery - (Obit)

Barger, Jessie – March 23, 1896 – August 2, 1896 - Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Barger, John H. – October 29, 1895 – December 6, 1895 - Son of H.L. & R.C. Barger - Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Barger, Lloyd – February 26, 1895 – August 3, 1905 - Son of H.L. & R.C. Barger - Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Barger, Madison – August 21, 1885 – February 13, 1901 - Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Barger, Mattie Belle – April 17, 1909 – August 5, 1923 – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Barger, Ola – June 17, 1903 – February 4, 1904 – Starkey / Barger cemetery.

Barger, Pauline – January 17, 1902 – February 6, 1902 – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Barger, Pearl – April 21, 1877 – January 13, 1895 - Daughter of H.L. & R.C. Barger – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Barger, Willie – January 9, 1909 – October 6, 1909 – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Starkey, A.B. – August 20, 1875 – April 26, 1901 - Son of Nancy A. & John B. Starkey – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Starkey, John B. – June 15, 1823 – January 14, 1889 – (Co. D. 36th Ark Inf. C.S.A.) – Husband of Nancy A. Starkey – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Starkey / Barger – Starkey, J.B. – Died January 14, 1889 – (Co. D. 36th Ark Inf. C.S.A.) – Husband of Nancy A. Starkey – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

Starkey, Nancy A. Weaver – September 19, 1833 – October 20, 1914 – (Only has Starkey, N.A. on the stone) – Starkey / Barger Cemetery

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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 or 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.