

Union Grove Black Cemetery

Bald Knob, Arkansas



Photo by Ellen Blair

This Cemetery is also known as: None known

GPS Location: 630346 - 3907089

Arkansas Archeological Survey site #: 3WH0656

Number of Marked Graves: About 80

Number of Unmarked Graves: Unknown

The last complete survey of this cemetery was: November 30, 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 known contact person.

Union Grove was surveyed by Leroy Blair (right) of the White County Historical Society. Retired from the U.S. Army and told by his physician to walk each day, Blair chose to visit the cemeteries of White County and record what he saw as he took his daily strolls. He found several cemeteries that were not registered and took many photographs Blair's effort in locating and updating cemeteries is one of the most significant contributions in the long history of the White County Historical Society, which honored him in 2002 as "Volunteer of the Year." The following year, he and his wife Ellen were recognized by the Arkansas Archeological Society.

This cemetery, although known, had never been listed before it was visited November 30, 2000, by Leroy Blair of the White County Historical Society. Blair described the location as "on the east side of Bald Knob at the end of Cody Street." He noted the area was "clean and well cared for." In addition to the following list, he found more than 100 unmarked graves, eight marked with cement blocks and five with funeral home markers that were illegible. He also found one grave marked with an old tire with flowers in it.

Following is a list of known burials in this cemetery.

Banks, Jeffie Vivian – October 2, 1932 – January 17, 1955 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Barber, Charlotte – June 29, 1961 – November 19, 1961 – DS with Baby Haynes - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Barber, Haynes – January 7, 1965 – January 7, 1965 – DS with Charlotte Barber - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

**Barber, Henry Lee Jr. – December 10, 1958 – March 9, 1990 – U.S. Army - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit)
March 12, 1990 paper**

Barber, Henry Whitt Jr. – June 24, 1932 – December 22, 2010 – Union Grove Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR - (Obit)

Bell, Alfred – no dates – Col M, 10th U.S. Cav. - Indian War - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Berry, Loyd – Died October 6, 1918 – Only date listed – 162nd Depot Brigade - WWI - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Berry, Verberlean Johnson – April 29, 1917 – June 2, 2000 – (FM) - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Bodne, Arthur – no dates – Co. E, 63rd U.S.C.T. - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Boykin, Nkenge A. – September 21, 1971 – January 16, 1984 – DS with Yohance Boykin - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Boykin, Yohance H. – November 28, 1973 – January 16, 1984 – Child of Howard & Beatrice - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Cannon, Rosie L. – May 4, 1896 – November 18, 1987 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit) November 20, 1987 paper

Cody, Albert – September 5, 1912 – November 20, 1947 – Tec5, U.S. Army - WWII - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Comer, Pearl – June 1, 1931 – May 30, 2003 – Wife of Joseph Comer - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Crawford, Deacon Jezrell Sr. – November 29, 1914 – April 28, 1997 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Crawford, Jezrell Jr. – May 14, 1944 – October 30, 1983 – DS with Joseph E. James Crawford - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Crawford, Joseph E. James – September 17, 1958 – July 14, 1988 - DS with Jezrell Crawford Jr. - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Crawford, J.T. – May 5, 1856 – October 15, 1923 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Crawford, Vergie Harris – January 7, 1915 – February 14, 2002 – Wife of Jezrell Sr. –Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Crawford, Willie Cody – November 2, 1886 – December 19, 1962 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Amanda – May 31, 1925 – November 15, 2012 – Union Grove Cemetery, Bald Knob AR – (Obit)

Edwards, Daisy B. Davis – August 9, 1936 – May 6, 1996 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Darfus L. – 1929 – 1979 – Pfc U.S. Army - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Doncas – 1907 – 1952 – Has an oval stamp of 1962 over 1907 & 1952 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Eddra L. – September 7, 1907 – August 14, 1952 – DS with Thomas Edwards Sr. - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Elliott – February 18, 1893 – November 24, 1965 - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Ezekiel – Died September 30, 1968 – Age 61 years –(Unmarked) Union Grove Cemetery, Bald Knob AR – (Obit October 1,

1968 paper)

Edwards, George Sugarman – May 27, 1926 – December 24, 1972 – Pfc U.S. Army - WWII - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Gladys – January 23, 1919 – September 13, 2002 – FM - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Govan “Doe” – Died November, 1969 – Age 54 years- Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit) November 3, 1969 paper

Edwards, Gracie – June 17, 1929 – June 23, 2002 – DS with Tommy Edwards - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Hagar – Died June 16, 1890 – age 53 years, 2 mos., 10 days – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Ruby Ernestine – July 30, 1916 – November 23, 2000 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edwards, Thomas Sr. – July 7, 1902 – April 22, 1968 – DS with Edra Edwards - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit) April 24, 1968 paper)

Edwards, Tommy – August 24, 1928 – July 20, 1997 – DS with Gracie Edwards – Pfc U.S. Army - Korea - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Edw?, Phillis – “wife of David Edw.” (probably Edwards) – Stone is broken – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Graham, Lee – 1888 – 1969 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR (Obit)

Green, Lisa Lene – Died April 16, 1961 – Age 5 days – (Unmarked) - Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit April 17, 1961 paper)

Hamilton, Armendia – November 26, 1874 – February 9, 1925 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Edith – January 1930 – October 1930 – (TS) with Harry Harris Sr. & Grace Harris – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Grace – February 1913 – May 1945 – (TS) with Harry Harris Sr. & Edith Harris – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Harry Sr. – December 1876 – August 1940 – (TS) with Grace Harris & Edith Harris – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Jessie W. – January 8, 1965 – July 30, 1987 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Maud L. - ?, 19?? – June 6, 19?? – Stone broken – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Minnie T. – Died January 15, 1915 – age 55 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Otis Junior – December 12, 1951 – March 1, 1978 – Pvt. U.S. Army – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Roy L. – April 2, 1911 – March 30, 1993 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Harris, Rufus – Died November 9, 1929 – Only date listed – 808 Co. Trans Corps - WWI – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Haynes, Ed D. – March 2, 1934 – July 4, 1997 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Haynes, Jack J. – April 15, 1910 – October 30, 1987 - DS with Daughter Thelma L. Haynes – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Haynes, Jordan Eugene – June 17, 1994 – June 19, 1994 – (FM) – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Haynes, Kelton Deshon – June 25, 2000 – age 9 – (FM) – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Haynes, Kenyatta Rashly – February 2, 1977 – March 8, 1996 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Haynes, Thelma L. – August 8, 1950 – June 12, 1968 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit January 15, 1968 paper)

Henretta, “Wife of ...” – rest is illegible – Stone is broken – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Hoyle, James Sr. – Died March 29, 1999 – age 69 years, 6 mos., 29 days – (FM) – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Jackson, Carol Graham – December 25, 1946 – March 9, 1993 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Johnson, Johnny Lee – June 12, 1946 – March 9, 2002 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Johnson, Roosevelt Sr. – August 15, 1919 – May 27, 1985 – DS with Ruby Johnson – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Johnson, Ruby Edwards – June 24, 1917 – June 16, 1982 – DS with Roosevelt Johnson Sr. – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Jones, James – August 17, 1900 – April 28, 1972 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Leathers, Angie – 1856 – July 9, 1921 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

McCoy, Butler – no dates – Sgt. Co. A, 54th U.S.CI – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Patterson, Early – March 24, 1884 – October 7, 1973 – Ark. Dook U.S. Army - WWI – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Pryor, Dedie – June 21, 1889 – February 24, 1907 – Daughter of Richard & Viny Pryor – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Reed, Willie – September 12, 1890 – May 26, 1962 – Pfc U.S. Army - WWI – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Reynolds, Augusta – May 1, 1899 – February 20, 1990 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit) February 22, 1990 paper

Reynolds, Frederick R. – March 12, 1963 – June 28, 1985 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Rivers, James – May 20, 1887 – February 4, 1973 – Pfc U.S. Army - WWI – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Rivers, Mattie – 1905 – 1975 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Scruggs, Roy – July 28, 1929 – June 9, 1997 – DS with Willie May Scruggs – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Scruggs, Willie May – March 24, 1924 – August 3, 1998 – DS with Roy Scruggs – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

White, Bertha Sue – April 26, 1945 – February 24, 2014 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit)

White, Della Mae – May 2, 1920 – March 31, 2004 – DS with Sylvester White – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

White, Marvin “Bob” – October 30, 1943 – December 1997 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

White, Sylvester – June 20, 1918 – June 28, 1989 – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit) June 29, 1989 paper

White, Sylvester Jr. – October 28, 1942 – July 12, 2014 – Union Grove Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR (Obit)

Wilson, Will – Died January ?, 19?? – Stone broken – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

Wood, Judy Lieinda – Died February 1963 – Age 85 years – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR – (Obit February 4. 1963 paper)

? , ? – no date – March 9, 1910 – age 75 years – Stone is broken – Union Grove Black Cemetery, Bald Knob, AR

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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.