

# Vinson-Barnett Cemetery

Hiram, Arkansas



Photo by Leroy Blair

I was told that the cemetery has been cleaned since this picture was made.

This cemetery is located in Cleburne County near the White County line.

This Cemetery is also known as: None known

GPS Location: 603356-3926114

Arkansas Archeological Survey site #: 3CE0182

Number of Marked Graves: About 15

Number of Unmarked Graves: Unknown

The last complete survey of this cemetery was:

Current status of cemetery: Abandoned

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

**This cemetery is located in Cleburne County in what at one time was part of White County. I first visited this old cemetery in the fall of 2000 with a Mr. Floyd who lives in the area. But it was so overgrown with greenbriers and honeysuckle vines we could not get to where we could see many of the markers. I think I lost a pint of blood that day from brier scratches. Mr. Floyd thought I was going to bleed to death. I take medicine to thin my blood and any scratch bleeds like I had been stabbed.**

**I had been looking for the Old Hiram Cemetery when I was told that this was probably it. The directions that had been printed seemed to match this place.**

**I revisited it on February 2, 2001, and brought along some hedge trimmers which enabled me to cut my way through the briers and honeysuckle. After looking at all the markers I did not find the graves of the Hilgers who are buried in Old Hiram, so I knew I had the wrong cemetery. But since I found it, I thought I would list it anyway.**

**To get to Vinson-Barnett Cemetery from Pangburn, take Highway 110 north to the top of the hill at Hiram Bluff. Turn right on the first road at the top of the hill and go one-half mile. You will see a white house and a trailer house on the left of the road. A road goes down between them. Straight back at the end of this road (driveway) back in the pasture field about 200 yards is a fairly large clump of honeysuckle vine. The cemetery is located in that clump of vines. You cannot see any part of it from the road. It is fenced with a gate on the right side. When we visited it in the fall, the honeysuckle and briers had vined through the gate so bad it probably took us 10 minutes to cut them with our pocketknives enough to get the gate open.**

**That day I was only able to get to where I could read six markers but could see several more that I could not reach. On my second visit I think I found all the markers but not 100 percent sure, because it is such a mess out there. This would be a pretty cemetery if it were cleaned up. It has nice, beautiful stones. Two of them have separated from their base and fallen over. I found two graves marked with rocks. There may be more. I did not see any unmarked graves but it is impossible to say for sure, due to the condition of the cemetery.**

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

**Barnett, Adda May – March 18, 1876 – January 9, 1894 - Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**

**Barnett, Anna – September 17, 1887 – January 13, 1924 – Wife of J.F. Barnett - Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**

**Barnett, James A. – January 20, 1847 – March 14, 1913 - Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**

**Barnett, Martha – March 20, 1852 – March 17, 1922 - Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**

**Barnett, Mary – September 6, 1876 – August 2, 1910 - Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**

**Barnett, Opie W. – April 6, 1919 – September 6, 1920 –Son of J.F. & Anna Barnett - Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Davis, Emma R. – June 16, 1890 – February 2, 1919 – Wife of A. Davis – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Davis, James Earl – September 5, 1912 – May 9, 1980 – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Sandefur, T. Roy – March 2, 1906 – September 14, 1906 –Son of L.T. & L.H. Sandefur – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Turner, Mrs. N.A. – December 4, 1856 – January 17, 1922 – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Vinson, E. Rufo – October 14, 1881 – March 3, 1901 – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Vinson, Eliza – November 3, 1847 – February 9, 1925 – Wife of J.S. Vinson – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Vinson, J.S. – August 26, 1840 – January 30, 1922 - Husband of Eliza Vinson – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Vinson, Martha E. – February 5, 1858 – April 28, 1937 – DS with Simeon H. Vinson – Vinson / Barnett Cemetery**  
**Vinson, Simeon H. – November 25, 1852 – December 18, 1932 – DS with Martha E. Vinson – Vinson / Barnett 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](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.**