

Pearl Webb Cemetery Newsletter

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History & Facts:

By June Burks

The Reynolds Brothers

As we continue our series of articles on the Civil War soldiers, who are buried in Pearl Webb Cemetery, we have chosen to feature two Canmer brothers – Andrew Jackson Reynolds and Caleb Reynolds. Their sentiments lay with the North, so as young men, they chose to join with the Northern forces and fight for the Union. They were the sons of Caleb Reynolds I and Perlina Bellamy King Reynolds, who migrated to Kentucky from Bedford Co., VA, sometime before 1820. The grandparents of Andrew Jackson and Caleb II were Jessie David Reynolds (1733-1832) and Mary Bright Reynolds (1760-1841).

Andrew Jackson Reynolds 1830-1916

Andrew J. Reynolds was born in Hart County on June 10, 1830. He first married at the age of 24 on December 24, 1854 to Miss Elizabeth Jane Wells. They were the parents of two children – a daughter Mary Francis, born March 30, 1856 and died May 2, 1859. They also had a son, Charles T. (no date). Elizabeth died as a very young wife and mother. She and her son (Charles T.) are buried in Gilead Cemetery, near Canmer.

Soon after Elizabeth's death, Andrew Jackson married Ann Matilda Cowherd on July 12, 1860. Ann was from the prominent Cowherd family of Canmer. Her parents were James S. and Catherine (Hatcher) Cowherd. They were buried on the family farm, near Canmer. The farm is located on the road now named Rube Smith Road and is presently owned by W.E. and Larry Hedgepeth (older citizens may remember this as the Wilson Farm).

Andrew and Catherine soon started their large family of eleven children. Emma Cettie was the first born. She was born in 1861 and married a Mr. Wilson. Next came, Ulysses Grant in 1863. He became a Methodist minister and moved to California. After the birth of this child, Mr. Reynolds joined with the Union forces.

After returning home from the war, the next child, Mary Burch was born in 1866. Soon, James Phillip was born in 1869. As a young man, he decided to go west. He died while there and is buried in Wolf Creek, Montana. John Bush was born in 1872 and then came, Jerry Cowherd in 1874. Jerry is the great grandfather of one of our Pearl Webb Cemetery Board members, Mr. Larry Rogers of Canmer.

Yet more children were to be born to this couple. Ann Elizabeth came in 1876. Robert Wesley was born in 1878. In his adult life, he moved to Texas – died and is buried in San Antonio, TX. Sadly to say, the next three babies born to the family either died at birth or

shortly after. Theophililus was born and died in 1880. Bettie Wilson born and died in 1881 and lastly was Andrew Jackson Jr. born and died in 1883.

While serving in the war, Andrew Jackson served in the Kentucky Calvary's 19th Infantry Co. K – also in the 30th Reg. of the KY Infantry. He served for a period of time as a guard for the infamous Union prison in Rock Island, IL.

Another local citizen, Wm. Henry Burks Sr., who was a Confederate soldier (and was with John Hunt Morgan when he was killed) was captured and taken as prisoner to this Rock Island, IL Union prison. History attests to the horrible conditions of this prison, known as the worst Union prison. Many of the prisoners died from starvation and disease while being incarcerated there. A cemetery nearby tells some of the story. But, as grandfather Burks would tell many years later, he was kept alive only by being secretly befriended by Mr. Reynolds, who regularly slipped both food and water to him. Mr. Reynolds would also tell this story many years later. Having known each other before the war, it was difficult for Mr. Reynolds to witness the cruel treatment that Mr. Burks was trying to endure. Mr. Reynolds took great risk in befriending and having compassion on Mr. Burks and others, but chose to take the risk. Mr. Burks was forever grateful to Mr. Reynolds for his kind deeds.

After the cruel war ended, both Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Burks were able to return to their families in the Canmer and Hardyville area and began life again on the farm.

Mr. Reynolds reared his large family on his farm and lived to the age of 86. But, the last years of his life were marred with illness. He was attended to

by Canmer's own physician, Dr. Charles Moore. When death came, January 17, 1916, the funeral and burial were handled by the local undertaker, Mr. John W. Weller – burial being in Pearl Webb Cemetery.



Photo of: Andrew Jackson Reynolds

Caleb Reynolds 1833-1919

Caleb Reynolds was a younger brother of Andrew Jackson Reynolds. Different sources show different dates for Caleb's birth, but we are assuming the correct date of birth is March 24, 1833. As was Andrew Jackson, Caleb was born in Hart County. He married Elizabeth (Eliza) Polina D. Shelton, March 13, 1856. After only six months of marriage Elizabeth died,

September 27, 1856 of typhoid fever. Caleb then married Mary J. Richardson on November 27, 1859 (They were married by Bro. Nelson Dewitt about a mile south of Canmer). Mary J. was born July 10, 1836 and lived to be the age of 79, dying March 30, 1914. She reared a family of nine children – Alice A., born 1860, John H., born 1862, Rosa A., born 1867, Elizabeth (Lizzie) born 1870, Corina, born 1872, James T., born 1874, Dora, born 1876. A daughter A.D. was born August 9, 1879 and died March 19, 1891 and is buried in Pearl Webb Cemetery. Harry, born 1880, was the last child born to this couple.

Caleb, also a Union soldier, joined up with Ward's Independent 3rd K. Calvary Co. G. He was wounded near Lancaster, South Carolina, while watering his horse at a creek. He was shot by the Rebels. Mr. William H. Renfro, of Hardyville, helped to get Caleb back from the Rebels (Mr. Renfro was the great, great grandfather of Mr. Larry Rogers of Canmer and Mrs. Brenda Dudderar of Hardyville – both are members of the Pearl Webb Cemetery Board).



Photo of: Mr. William H. Renfro

As the Calvary moved on, they had to leave Caleb behind, as he was not able to travel. Caleb had entered service, February 13, 1864 and was discharged August 3, 1865. Before his discharge, he was incarcerated at an Andersonville, GA prison. After being discharged from service, he was able to draw a small pension of \$6.00 a month. He died July 16, 1919 at the home of his son Harry Reynolds. Again the local undertaker, John W. Weller, was called upon to handle the funeral and burial services. Records show this was done at a cost of \$110.00! His grave in Pearl Webb Cemetery is marked only with a small limestone rock at the head of his grave.

Note: Thanks to Delores Shelton Tapp of Linwood, Margaret Wilson of Louisville, Inez Warf of Donansburg, and Jean Hedgepeth of Canmer for their research and information for this article – June Burks.

From the Treasurer's Desk:

By Brenda Dudderar

My computer died and I lost all of the addresses for the Pearl Webb Cemetery newsletter. Unfortunately, Paul Sullivan had the backup copy on his computer and lost it because of a computer virus. Paul was able to retrieve an older set of addresses. We know it is not current, but it's all we have. If you know someone who did not receive a newsletter, please have them contact me. Also, several of last edition's newsletters were returned to me as undeliverable. If you are moving or changing addresses and want to stay on the mailing list, please be sure to let me know.

Mr. Robert Hedgepeth left Pearl Webb Cemetery a donation in his will. We should all be appreciative of those who remember Pearl Webb Cemetery, so it can continue to be well maintained.

The family of William Earl Hedgepeth requested donations to Pearl Webb Cemetery in his memory. We have received many donations and continue to receive them.

Persons buried at Pearl Webb since the last newsletter:

Mary Carolyn Davis Larimore

Born: Sept. 14, 1922
Died: January 5, 2010

William Earl Hedgepeth

Born: December 12, 1929
Died: March 23, 2010

Jane Ann Hatcher

Born: April 8, 1939
Died: April 15, 2010

The funeral director from Murray, KY that came to bury Jane Ann Hatcher said that Pearl Webb Cemetery was one of the most beautiful cemeteries he had ever seen. If you didn't get a chance to see the dogwoods this year, you missed a beautiful sight. Mr. Jeff Callahan did so much to make Pearl Webb the beauty it is today.

We will be collecting donation at the cemetery again this year during Memorial Day weekend. If you would like to help collect donations that weekend, please contact me:

Brenda Dudderar
270-528-5042

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From the Secretary's Desk:

By Peggy Sue Avery

A reminder that our annual meeting for the Pearl Webb Cemetery will be March 8, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hardyville Union Church. Everyone is encouraged to attend and help support the cemetery.

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