

INDEPENDENCE (SIGLER) CEMETERY

Visited January 25, 1970. Located on the east side of Ward Road at the intersection of Independence Road, about a mile south of Russell Bond Road, between Cuba and Millington, Tennessee. The cemetery has a large grove of old cedar trees and is in good condition.

The compilers found an unusual arrangement for marking some otherwise unmarked graves. The footstones of many of the graves have apparently been removed, in some cases two of those footstones have been cemented together and the resulting stone placed to mark a grave with the initialed part of the footstones in the ground. These were checked for initials and in the following data are shown with the headstone to which each appears to belong. Such footstones are marked with an asterik. Near one of the trees was a pile of loose footstones. These are also indicated below.

Mother  
Mattie J.  
Wife of J.B. Bradley  
Aug. 1, 1887  
Sept. 19, 1912

Cleveland Bradley  
Tenn. - Wagoner - 115  
Fld. Arty - 30 Div. -  
World War I  
March 1, 1889  
July 14, 1953

James H. Bradley  
Tenn. - Pvt. - Co. A  
167 Inf. - World War I  
June 9, 1895  
Aug. 23, 1968  
(and a)

Memphis Funeral Home  
marker:

James Homer Bradley  
Died Aug. 23, 1968  
Aged \_\_\_ yrs \_\_\_ mos \_\_\_ ds

James F. Burell  
Jan. 26, 1854  
Dec. 26, 1924

Walter P. Connaughton  
Died Sept. 28, 1885  
Aged 21 yrs 2 mos 8 ds  
Footstone:\* W.P.C.

Lola Mae Sigler Culpepper  
Feb. 14, 1894  
Apr. 29, 1962

Baby  
Bebe Joan Gilliland  
Feb. 4, 1935  
Footstone: plain  
(Within iron fence with  
Sigler graves)

Father  
Thomas V. Gregory  
Dec. 28, 1903  
Aug. 16, 1964

Mother  
Clellie R. Gregory  
Oct. 26, 1907  
Dec. 26, 1962

William R. Griffin  
Sept. 22, 1863  
June 29, 1911  
Footstone:\* W.R.G.

Mother  
Annie May Griffin  
Jan. 9, 1869  
Aug. 11, 1936

Griffin  
( Lonnie E.  
( Oct. 28, 1886  
( July 7, 1962  
( Footstone: Husband  
(  
( Blank side

"Jess"  
Jessie Emit Griffin  
Feb. 14, 1888  
Oct. 30, 1918  
Footstone: J.E.G.

Willie May Griffin  
Dec. 14, 1890  
Apr. 19, 1891  
Footstone:\* W.M.G.

Gaither B. Griffin  
May 15, 1900  
Dec. 6, 1961  
Footstone: G.B.G.

( Samuel Hammontree  
( Born April 10, 1830  
( Died Nov. 15, 1894  
( Masonic emblem  
(

( M.C. Hammontree  
( Born Oct. 16, 1837  
( Died Nov. 25, 1893  
( Footstone: M.C.H.

( Annie Hammontree  
( Nov. 22, 1864  
( Oct. 30, 1944  
( Eastern Star emblem  
(  
( Arther T. Hammontree  
( Oct. 23, 1861  
( Mar. 27, 1933  
( Masonic emblem

Lulu M. Hammontree  
Born Nov. 19, 1872  
Died Sep. 22, 1875

Footstone: L.M.H.  
(Within iron fence with  
initials out of ground.)

Rachel Hammontree  
Born Sept. 18, 1892  
Died June 28, 1899

Ray Hammontree  
1897 - 1932

Martha Hammontree  
Born Sept. 13, 1902  
Died Aug. 25, 1903

Eva T. Hammontree  
Sept. 8, 1904  
July 19, 1907

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James Franklin Hands  
Tenn. - Pvt. - 62 Pioneer  
Inf. - World War I  
Jan. 17, 1893  
June 4, 1958

Hands

( Nettie N.  
( July 2, 1932  
( Aug. 14, 1932  
(  
( Margarette L.  
( May 18, 1918  
( Nov. 16, 1932

Hissong

( Henry J.  
( Nov. 17, 1861  
( Jan. 22, 1927  
(  
( Hattie E.  
( Jan. 6, 1881  
( Oct. 17, 1950

Jackson

( Mother  
( Elizabeth Sigler  
( May 28, 1886  
( Mar. 30, 1952  
(  
( Daddy  
( Melvin Lee Sr.  
( Feb. 18, 1880  
( Nov. 9, 1953

James Otto Jackson - Son of  
Charley & Bertha Jackson  
July 30, 1908  
Apr. 3, 1909  
Footstone: Our Baby

Cecil Bertis Jackson - Son  
of Charlie & Bertha Jackson  
Apr. 5, 1910  
Nov. 2, 1916  
Footstone: Our Baby

E. Catharine  
Wife of Hugh McClelland  
Died Nov. 6, 1870  
Aged 48 years  
Footstone:\* E.C.McC.

Dorethea Lee McLean  
Dec. 5, 1924  
Oct. 26, 1926

J.J. McMurry  
Born Feb. 11, 1828  
Died Autumn of 1875  
Masonic emblem

George W. Massey  
Born Feb. 22, 1844  
Died Dec. 6, 1876  
Footstone:\* G.W.M.

Phelan Rankin  
Dec. 17, 1880  
Jan. 17, 1930  
Footstone: P.R.

S.D. Rankin  
Mar. 22, 1883  
Jan. 7, 1904  
"Dearest brother ..."

Ruby R. Rankins  
Feb. 20, 1922  
(Small cradle grave)

Freda May Rankins  
May 4, 1924  
(Small cradle grave)

Rawlins

( Willie and Jimmie  
( Sons of J. & A. Rawlins  
( Born Mar. 1, 1879  
( Died June 9, 1879

Thompson Bros. Funeral Home  
marker:  
William Heber Reid  
Died May 13th 1935  
Aged 46 yrs 6 mos 10 ds

Brenda Gail - Dau. of  
Herbert & Hazel Robinson  
1950

James E. - Son of  
Mr. & Mrs. J.L. Rushlow  
Jan. 25, 1927  
Jan. 26, 1927

Large box grave has no in-  
scription except initials  
scratched on corner:

W.L.S.

Footstone:\* A.L.S.

William Sigler  
Died May 30, 1877  
Aged 83 years  
Whilst in this tomb a  
Father lies ....  
Masonic emblem

The only stone within an  
iron fence:  
Footstone: W.S.

Nancie Caroline Sigler  
1800 - 1885  
Aged 85 years

W.A. Sigler  
Mar. 11, 1831  
Sep. 18, 1893  
Aged 62 yrs 6 mos 7 ds  
Footstone: W.A.S.

Martha M.  
Wife of W.A. Sigler  
Dec. 13, 1835  
Jan. 15, 1859  
(Earliest burial found)

Lucinda C.  
Second wife of W.A. Sigler  
Sept. 2, 1845  
Oct. 28, 1881  
"Mother, thou art ..."

Volgena - Dau. of  
W.A. & L.C. Sigler  
Sept. 3, 1867  
Oct. 30, 1868

Isadora V. - Dau. of  
W.A. & L.C. Sigler  
July 11, 1869  
Aug. 21, 1871  
Footstone:\* I.V.S.

William - Son of  
W.A. & L.C. Sigler  
Nov. 20, 1871  
Oct. 2, 1873

Berta E. - Dau. of  
W.A. & L.C. Sigler  
Feb. 15, 1874  
Dec. 1, 1877

Teresa - Dau. of  
W.A. & L.C. Sigler  
Feb. 23, 1880  
Aug. 29, 1881

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Mollie A.  
Third wife of W.A. Sigler  
( No dates)  
"As a star that is lost  
when the daylight is given  
She hath faded away to  
Shine brightly in Heaven."

J.A. Sigler  
Born Mar. 20, 1834  
Died Mar. 30, 1868  
Masonic emblem

To my father  
Adams W. Sigler  
Born June 22, 1839  
Died Oct. 7, 1902

Littleton S. Sigler  
Born May 11, 1843  
Died Dec. 21, 1873  
Aged 30 yrs 6 mos 21 ds

( Charlie Sigler  
( Jan. 24, 1871  
( Dec. 17, 1918  
(  
( Mary Louise Sigler  
( Oct. 25, 1847  
( Aug. 18, 1880

Loose footstone: C.S.

James A. Sigler  
Jan. 7, 1849  
Sept. 15, 1919  
Footstone: J.A.S.

Tempie R. Sigler  
Nov. 10, 1849  
Oct. 8, 1921  
Dear Mother at rest  
Loose footstone: T.R.S.

The next three were within  
a wrought iron fence:

J.M. Sigler  
Dec. 26, 1850  
Aug. 17, 1884  
(Mnt. by) Fisher  
Loose footstone: J.M.S.

Emma - Dau. of  
J.M. & H.E. Sigler  
Oct. 17, 1876  
Dec. 18, 1876  
Loose footstone: E.S.

James J. - Son of  
J.M. & H.E. Sigler  
Oct. 18, 1882  
May 3, 1883

Robert I. Sigler - Son of  
W.A. Sigler I & M.C. Sigler  
Dec. 29, 1856  
Mar. 21, 1923  
(adj. to)  
Sallie B. Sigler  
Mar. 12, 1860  
Oct. 29, 1943  
Footstone: S.B.S.

Sigler  
Our Mother  
Mallie Coney  
Sept. 7, 1865  
Nov. 8, 1935  
(Mnt. by) R.S. Maley  
Covington  
Footstone: plain

Wm. Sam Sigler  
Dec. 12, 1867  
Jan. 8, 1935  
Loose footstone: W.S.S.

Ida V. Sigler  
Apr. 8, 1875  
Dec. 18, 1946  
Rest Dear Mother  
Footstone: I.V.S.

Sigler  
( Dovie Delanie  
( Aug. 3, 1891  
( Feb. 3, 1947  
(  
( Edney Tucker  
( June 18, 1870  
( Feb. 19, 1960

William Harvey Sigler  
Oct. 25, 1875  
Oct. 5, 1962

R. Ben Sigler  
Born in Wythe Co., Va.  
June 17, 1892  
Died Oct. 5, 1898  
Loose footstone: R.B.S.

To my Husband  
L.A. Sigler  
June 20, 1892  
Mar. 14, 1918

W.A. "Al" Sigler III  
Son of  
R.I. & Sallie B. Sigler  
Aug. 13, 1897  
Mar. 28, 1966

Johnie Sigler  
Born July 30, 1899  
Died Dec. 1901 (no day)  
Loose footstone: J.S.

Next 5 stones and two other  
stones within iron fence:

Robert Louie Sigler, Jr.  
Son of R.L. & R.V. Sigler  
Born Dec. 22, 1886  
Died Dec. 5, 1887  
Footstone: R.L.S. Jr.

Fony Litten Sigler  
Son of R.L. & R.V. Sigler  
Born Nov. 16, 1898  
Died July 8, 1899  
Footstone: F.L.S.

Nolan Pearl Sigler  
Son of R.L. & R.V. Sigler  
Born Aug. 11, 1901  
Died July 8, 1902  
Footstone: N.P.S.

Ivy Lillian Sigler  
Dau. of R.L. & R.V. Sigler  
Born Jan. 18, 1904  
Died Sept. 2, 1904  
Footstone: I.L.S.

Eddie Chambers Sigler, Jr.  
Son of E.C. & M.J. Sigler  
Born May 10, 1915  
Died Mar. 9, 1917  
Footstone: E.C.S. Jr.

Two small stones set at  
what appeared to be head and  
and foot of a grave:

M.L.S.

J.J.S.

George W. Sigler  
July 30, 1917  
Oct. 17, 1918

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Cosmopolitan Funeral Home marker:	M. Taylor (No dates)	Dorothy L. Wilson June 1, 1922
Mr. James Albert Sigler Died Sept. 20, 1969 Aged 45 years	H. Taylor (No dates)	Evelyn M. Wilson Oct. 3, 1927
W.A. Sigler IIII Son of W.A. Sigler III and M.H. Sigler Mar. 16, 1930 Mar. 8, 1940	Father Fate Wilson Aug. 10, 1879 Mar. 20, 1939	Ramond C. Wilson July 28, 1924
	Mother Doney Wilson Mar. 1, 1882 Jan. 5, 1954	Betty J. Wilson July 21, 1930
		Jerry L. Wilson June 23, 1929

CUBA COMMUNITY CEMETERY

Visited March 8, 1970. This cemetery is located on the property of Mr. and Mrs. Howard J. Wilder, 2545 Cuba-Millington Road, on the east side of the road, about a hundred yards south of Herring Hill Road. Mrs. Wilder was Miss Mary Emma Delashmit, daughter of Walter and Mary Elizabeth (Moore) Delashmit, and granddaughter of Joe and Ida (Roberts) Moore. Mrs. Moore died in 1895 when Mary Elizabeth was about two weeks old. Mr. Moore died about 1900. Both Mr. and Mrs. Moore are buried here, but their tombstones have vanished.

Our Darling Walter Henry Bergans Born Dec. 13, 1887 Died Sept. 27, 1890 Aged 2 yrs 9 mos 14 ds Son of O.W. & Cora Bergans Memphis, Tenn.	S.J. Clift Wife of R.M. Clift Feb. 24, 1848 April 29, 1895 (Mnt. by) J.R. Caples Millington, Tenn.	John William Costello Born Aug. 29, 1900 Died June 2, 1901 (Small cradle grave)
Julia E. Wife of Russel Bond Sept. 7, 1872 Aug. 12, 1902	Mary Ellen - Dau. of R.M. & S.J. Clift Born Nov. 1, 1869 Died Sep. 4, 1871	( Eliza Crain ( Died Oct. 15, 1892 ( Aged 54 yrs ( She was a tender mother .. ( ( Lemuel Crain ( Born Jan. 5, 1835 ( Died Apr. 22, 1896 ( Dear Father ....
Abner Clift born in Va. 1811 died June 10, 1872 Footstone: A.C.	Infant twin boys Children of R.M. & S.J. Clift Born Dec. 21, 1874 Died Dec. 22, 1874	Rev. G.H. Evans Born in Fredericksburg, Va. Nov. 9, 1827 Died April 19, 1894 Served the Friendship Babtist (sic) district Association and Sunday School Convention 17 years Millington, Tenn. Footstone: G.H.E.
Austin Butler - Son of A. & M.J. Clift Born Sep. 23, 1848 Died Jan. 6, 1864	W.C. Clift Born Oct. 2, 1879 Died Aug. 20, 1899 Footstone: W.C.C.	Verie Lee Owen Nov. 7, 1898 Feb. 5, 1899 Footstone: V.L.D. (O.?)
R.M. Clift Born May 4, 1841 Died Oct. 24, 1890 Footstone: R.M.C. (Stone broken)	Virginia Jane - Dau. of R.M. & S.J. Clift Born May 19, 1881 Died July 8, 1883 Footstone: V.J.C.	