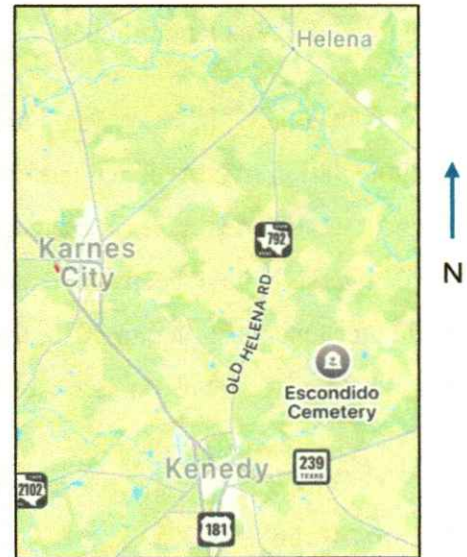


Escondido Cemetery

Context

The focus of this narrative will be the Escondido Cemetery (also historically named Dry Escondido Cemetery). The name used will be the Escondido Cemetery. It was named for the nearby Dry Escondido Creek and served the area population from 1869-1987. The Escondido Cemetery is located 3 ½ miles northeast of Kenedy, Texas in Karnes County. It is on the southeast fenceline at the back of private property off County Road 326, also known as the Kenedy to Wofford Crossing Road. There are approximately 73 burials in the approximately six-acre cemetery. The burials represent early settlers, cattle ranchers, farmers, farm workers and their families.



The following events were significant in the establishment of the Escondido Cemetery:

- The town of Helena was founded in 1852 and designated as the county seat when Karnes County was established in 1854.
- The Escondido Cemetery was established with the first burial in 1869.
- In 1878, J. A. Martin purchased the land which continued as a cemetery.
- The small settlement of Daileyville was located near the Escondido Cemetery. The Daileyville feud and shooting occurred in 1886.
- The San Antonio Aransas Pass Railroad (1886-1887) arrived and bypassed Helena establishing the towns of Kenedy and Karnes City.
- Kenedy Junction (now Kenedy) was established in 1886.
- The first Escondido Cemetery deed in 1888, transferred the property from J.A. Martin to the Methodist Episcopal Church South in Kenedy.
- Karnes City was established in 1890 and became the Karnes County seat in 1894.
- The Methodist Episcopal South of Kenedy became the First Methodist Church in Kenedy. The Kenedy church shut its doors and parishioners began attending the

Karnes City Methodist Church. The Karnes City church became the owner/overseer of the Escondido Cemetery.¹

Historically, many of the inhabitants of this south Texas area participated in Chisholm Trail cattle drives and settled this area of early south Texas Ranchos, Mexican land grants and Republic of Texas land grants.

Originally, in 1899, Escondido Cemetery trustees were noted in a deed; however, documentation of current active trustees has not been found. There is no cemetery association; hence, the owner/overseer is currently the Karnes City Methodist Church. No current rules of burial oversight have been found, and there have been no burials since 1987. Aside from the perimeter fence installed in 2013, the cemetery appears to have been neglected since 1994 when the most recent caretaker passed away.

Overview

History of the area-

During the Spanish Mission period (1600s-1800s) in south Texas history, large Spanish ranches developed where longhorn cattle were raised to support the numerous missions. After the Spanish period ended (1821), ranches were run by Mexicans loyal to the Mexican Republic. The Mexican government was too unstable to manage the large ranches so many were deserted and cattle, mostly longhorns, roamed free. The land that became Karnes County was situated in the heart of these ranches. After the war with Mexico in 1836, the newly formed Republic of Texas was wealthy with land but broken financially. The government rewarded settlers and patriots with large land holdings. Land grants were claimed.

Bisecting the area was the Ox-Cart Road that connected La Bahia and the Texas coast with San Antonio and the interior of Texas, and the road allowed for settlement to the west.² The town of Helena (1852) developed as a stopping point along the Ox-Cart Road and trade businesses were established.³

The south Texas cattle industry thrived and subsequently after the Civil War ended (1865), ranchers set up cattle drives to Abilene and Dodge City. Many ranchers became very wealthy. The wild longhorns were said to number in the millions. Outlaws, cattle thieves and

gunfighters were drawn to the area and turmoil ensued with little law enforcement. Often ranchers and businessmen had to protect their families and guard against cattle theft on their own.⁴



The area developed along the Chisholm Trail (1867-1884) as shown on the map, left.⁵ The longhorn cattle and trail drives lasted until refrigeration and barbed wire were developed ending the drives.⁶ The railroad eventually took over the transportation of cattle. If a rancher could obtain land, round up the wild cattle and get them to market in Abilene and Dodge City, they would be successful. There was a demand for beef, and many old-time Karnes County ranchers took advantage of the cattle market.⁷

Life was hard for the ranchers and their families, and the climate could be brutal. A deceased family member had to be buried in a timely fashion and nearby cemeteries were established. One such cemetery was the Escondido Cemetery located on the Dry Escondido Creek on the Kenedy to Wofford Crossing Road or CR 326. The cemetery was first established as a family cemetery on the James David (J.D.) Campbell Ranch with the burial of James Shirley McLane in 1869. He was the grandson of J.D. and Rhoda Campbell. Jacob Absolom (J.A.) Martin purchased the ranch in 1878 and deeded the cemetery to the Methodist Episcopal Church South in 1888 but at least 15 burials occurred before that date beginning in 1869.^{8 9} Family names of those buried in the Escondido Cemetery are synonymous with the Karnes County cattle ranching industry and associated businesses and include Ammons, Burris, Butler, Campbell, Jordan, Martin, Pullin and related families¹⁰.

The town of Helena became virtually a ghost town when it was bypassed by the railroad in favor of towns like Karnes City and Kenedy.¹¹ The nearby town of Daileyville ceased to

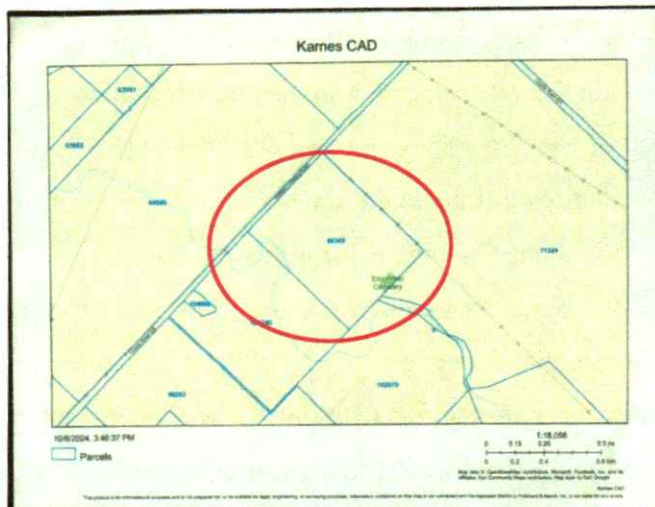
exist shortly after the legendary Daileyville shootout that resulted from a feud between the Butler and Elder families.

Location and ownership of the cemetery-

Traveling north from downtown Kenedy on Farm Road 792, turn right after approximately one mile onto CR 326 also known as the Wofford Crossing Road. Travel northeast approximately 2 ½ miles on CR 326 passing over the Dry Escondido Creek to a private ranch road on the right of the Alexander family ranch. The photo on the right is the entrance to the



ranch. Once on the property, the cemetery is located at the southeast fenceline at the back of the property on an unimproved road accessible only by walking or using a high-clearance vehicle. The Alexander ranch is privately owned, and the owners should be notified prior to gaining access to the cemetery. The map below was obtained in 2024 from the Karnes CAD website. The Alexander ranch is listed as 2472 County Road 326, Kenedy, Texas, on the Karnes CAD as



property #66349 as circled in red on the map.¹² The cemetery is listed on the Texas Historical Commission Atlas as #72550000505 with cemetery ID #KAC005.¹³ The cemetery is listed as Karnes CAD property #66353 (in green on the map) as a cemetery with ownership as the Escondido Cemetery in care of Martin Goff, P.O. Box 476, Kenedy, Tx.¹⁴ Martin Goff, a Martin family descendant,

was the long-time caretaker of the cemetery. Mr. Goff passed away in 1994. It is unknown whether the PO Box is still active.¹⁵ The only trustees found were in the 1899 deed as noted in Appendix C concerning the transfer of the six acres to the Methodist Episcopal Church South

Kenedy District. Although there have not been any burials in the last 40 years, according to the Eckols Funeral Home staff (Funeral Home Director is David Stewart), the contact for burial is listed as Ben Alexander, owner of the adjacent Alexander ranch.¹⁶ Ben Alexander is deceased and current owners of the Alexander ranch are Amy Alexander et al, children of Ben Alexander. The current owner/overseer of the cemetery is the Karnes City Methodist Church located at 201 North Esplanade in Karnes City, Texas. A cemetery association, cemetery oversight board or guidelines for burial have not been found.

The image below was obtained from Google Earth in 2026.



The following is a summary of the chronology of ownership:

1) The cemetery property was part of 619 acres as described in Book F page 244 of Karnes County Deeds.¹⁷ It is thought that the property was owned by James David (J.D.) Campbell at the time of the first burial and that his son, Charles James (C.J.) Campbell obtained the

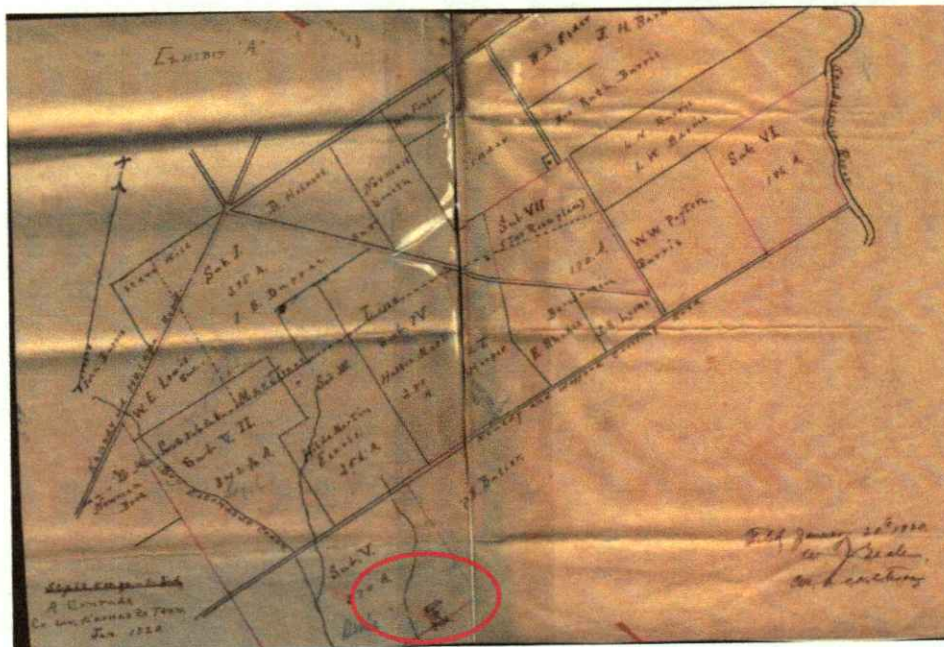
land upon his father's death in 1875. As of 2026, no deed has been found by researchers dating prior to the 9/5/1878 purchase of the land by J.A. Martin. Notes: The first burial was James Shirley McLane (died 7/1869)¹⁸ who was the grandson of James David and Rhoda Campbell. There were 15 total burials between 1869 and 1888. The property was deeded to the Methodist Episcopal Church South from J.A. Martin in 1888.¹⁹

2) K-542 (APPENDIX A) is the deed dated August 2, 1888, from J.A. Martin to the Methodist Episcopal Church South selling ten acres for five dollars to the church trustees as a place of worship for the ministry and membership of the church.²⁰ Notes: The earlier Escondido Methodist Church/School was probably built nearby circa 1870. It was destroyed by a hurricane in 1886. The cemetery or graveyard was within the ten acres. It was recorded that

J.A. Martin deeded the property "...for and in consideration of the love I have and bear for the cause of Christ and a desire to build up the societies of the Methodist Episcopal Church South..."

3) X-42 (APPENDIX B) The Methodist Episcopal Church South Kenedy Circuit per trustee resolution, deeded four of the ten acres to be used as a community school to be built where the old church stood. If there was a period of two years when there ceased to be a school, the property would revert to J.A. Martin. The deed was from December 8, 1899.²¹ Notes: The school was not built, and the property reverted to J.A. Martin.²² The church had already relocated to Kenedy.

4) X-47 (APPENDIX C) was also from December 8, 1899, where the Methodist Episcopal Church South Kenedy Circuit trustees by resolution, deeded six of the ten acres to continue as a cemetery.²³ Notes: The cemetery was measured in 2026 using the existing fence and encompassed six acres. The CAD information lists one acre but is incorrect.



5) The 1920 map on the left is from the property division of the J.A. Martin estate. The property that is now the Alexander ranch, at the time of the map, was inherited by Martin's son Seale Martin (subdivision V). The "graveyard" is circled in red.²⁴ It

was a graveyard because it was originally part of a church yard. J.A. Martin died in 1919, and the partition of his ranch is noted on the map.²⁵

6) In 1980, Attorney Richard W. Foster, Jr. examined the title to the cemetery property at Escondido and concluded that the six acres was owned by the Methodist Episcopal Church South or whatever body into which it evolved.²⁶ A letter was sent to the First United Methodist Church, Kenedy, Texas from Attorney Foster (Appendix D) verifying that the Kenedy United Methodist Church owned the cemetery. In 1987, Richard W. Foster, Jr. clarified that the four acres given to the church for a school in 1899, reverted to J.A. Martin ownership (APPENDIX E).

7) The Methodist Episcopal Church South formed during the Civil War. In 1939, it evolved to the Methodist Church and in 1968, it became part of the United Methodist Church.²⁷

8) The ownership of the cemetery evolved from the Methodist Episcopal Church South Kenedy Circuit to the Kenedy United Methodist Church in Kenedy, Texas, until the church ceased to exist. When the church closed its doors, the church transferred to the Karnes City United Methodist Church, Karnes City, Texas. APPENDIX F and APPENDIX G regard oil, gas and mineral leases from 2011 and 2012 with the Karnes City United Methodist Church as the Lessor for the six acres.²⁸ A conclusion can be made from the lease documents that the ownership transferred to the Karnes City United Methodist Church. In 2023, the ownership and oversight transferred to the Karnes City Methodist Church, no longer part of the United Methodist Church (APPENDIX H).²⁹

Cemetery characteristics-

The cemetery is approximately six acres, located at the back property line of a cattle ranch situated on a hillside within pastureland. There is a barbed wire-hog wire fence bordering the cemetery and a ranch-type entrance gate. According to adjacent property owner, Robbin Alexander, the fencing and gate were installed around 2013 by the Karnes City Methodist Church.³⁰ There are numerous gravestones among the native grasses, trees and shrubbery. Most graves occupy three of the six acres. Many of the gravestones are professionally engraved granite or concrete. Most of the inscriptions are in English and most contain the name, birthdate, death date and a small sentence of memorial. Most are facing the east. A list of interments has been compiled using Find-A-Grave accessed 2026, Ancestry.com accessed 2026, Charlotte Nichols Records 1976 c/o Neil Nichols and a reference found in the Kenedy Public Library,

Kenedy, Texas, titled, "Names in Stone," Karnes County Cemetery Inscriptions, a Bicentennial Project of El Cibolo Chapter, NSDAR, 1986 (compiled list in narrative). Of the approximately 73 burials, 18 are infants or children, six have Mexican surnames, most were born in Texas with some of the older adults being born elsewhere such as Mississippi, South Carolina, Ohio, North Carolina, Vermont, Alabama, Georgia, Missouri, Kentucky and Louisiana. One was born in England and immigrated to the United States in 1826 and then to Texas during the Republic of Texas period. Most of the burials were ranching family members. The oldest burial is that of James Shirley McLane who died in 1869 and the most recent was Florence Burris Hinton who died in 1987. There are some Confederate Veterans and Republic of Texas settlers. One fought in the Battle of Plum Creek in 1840, the last battle with the Comanche.³¹ There are some buried in the cemetery that witnessed the nearby Daileyville massacre and one that was killed during the gunfight. Many interments were members of the influential Butler Family. Some members of the Butler family were moved to another cemetery in 1965.³²

The cemetery is in a state of neglect, and it is unknown if any maintenance has been performed since 1994 when the caretaker passed away, aside from the perimeter fence installation in 2013. In 2026, Karen Boyd, Rich Boyd, Marc Goff, Erin Boyd and Jack Hindman cleared a path to Martin family gravesites and there was evidence of cattle and hog damage to numerous gravestones throughout the cemetery.

Additional Methodist Church History of the Dry Escondido School and Church-

In the 90th Anniversary Celebration brochure of the First United Methodist Church at Fourth and Nichols Street in Kenedy, Texas, a brief history of the church records: "The First Methodist Church in Kenedy was organized in 1887 by James Clifton Russell, Methodist Circuit Rider (and grandfather of Mrs. Albert Lyons, Sr., and Mrs. T.H. Jimmy Stewart, present members), under a live oak tree on the spot where the Farmer's Gin is now located. Before this organization, he (Mr. Russell) held services in the schoolhouse near Escondido Cemetery."³³ A reference was also found that Mrs. Butler (Sarah Jane Ammons Butler) committed to the Escondido Methodist Church under the direction of Eli Y. Seale (circuit riding Methodist minister) early in her life.³⁴ The First Baptist Church of Kenedy website includes the following in its history: "...it was relocated to the Dry Escondido Creek in 1873. When a great hurricane destroyed the Escondido Baptist Church building on August 20, 1886, the church membership

voted to move one mile west to Kenedy Junction.”³⁵ It is unknown when the original church or school was built but many of the deeds reference the Methodist Episcopal Church South and associated school (see Appendix A through H). In another publication, the Dry Escondido church is noted as the forerunner of both the Baptist and Methodist churches built later in Kenedy.³⁶

Nearby town of Daileyville-

It is unknown exactly where the town of Daileyville was located. It was on private property and very little, if anything, exists today. It was on the Dry Escondido Creek eight miles south of Helena and thought to be near the Escondido Cemetery. It was founded by brothers C.P. and David Dailey in 1869. A post office was established there on July 5, 1870. There was a store, gristmill and cotton gin. Karnes County historian, Charlotte Nichols, records in her notes regarding the early Methodists that the church probably met in the Daileyville Store in 1869, 1870 and 1871.³⁷ In 1884, Daileyville had a population of 50. On September 6, 1886, a feud erupted at the Daileyville store between the Butler and Elder families resulting in the death of the Karnes County sheriff Fate Elder, his brother Bud Elder, bystander Henry Pullin, bystander Hiram Pullin and deputy Jack Bailey. One of those killed, Hiram Pullin, is buried in the Escondido Cemetery. One of those tried in the shooting, Fate Butler, is buried in the Escondido Cemetery. The Dailey brothers eventually moved their store to Kenedy Junction in 1887 thus ending the town of Daileyville.³⁸

A few of the inhabitants who are buried in the Escondido Cemetery (the names of the burials in the cemetery are underlined)

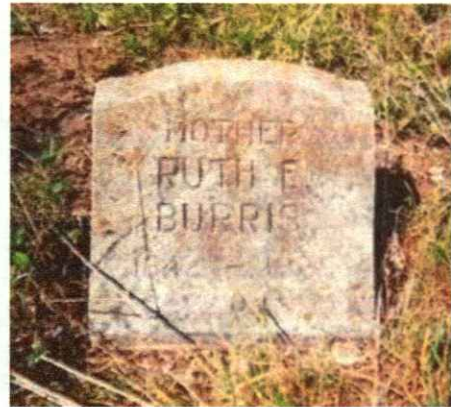
To understand the people that lived and died in the area during the period of significance of the cemetery (1869-1987), it is important to investigate the lives and families of some of those interred in the cemetery.

Martha Louise Davis Ammons 1836(8 or 9)-1914. Martha was born in Mississippi. She married Hamilton Rutherford Ammons 1826-1885. She was the mother of Columbus, Jefferson Davis and Sarah Jane.³⁹ The photo right is Martha Ammons.⁴⁰ Martha and Hamilton's daughter, Sarah Jane Ammons, married Pleasant Butler, Sr. in 1871, on

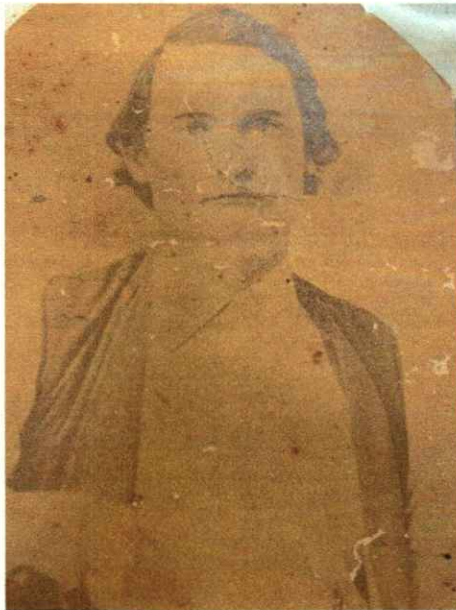


the Ammons ranch on the Escondido Creek. Sarah Jane and Pleasant, Sr. had several children with one being Pleasant Burnell Butler, Jr. At the age of 21, Pleasant, Jr. was gunned down by H. E. Tom, a deputy sheriff (separate incident from the Daileyville shooting). Tom was later acquitted. ⁴¹ Pleasant, Jr. is buried in the Escondido Cemetery.

Lemuel Wells "L.W." Burris 1828-1895. The Burris family came to Karnes County from Ohio in 1854. In 1855, L.W. married Ruth Ellen Butler (1838-1925). Four marriages between Butlers and Burris' occurred in the first generation of Texans.⁴² Lemuel Burris was in Company C, Speights Brigade of the Confederate Army.⁴³ His family came from Ohio to Galveston in 1840 traveling down the Mississippi River.⁴⁴ Ruth gave birth to eleven children. Son, Felix Burris and daughter Florence Virginia Burris Jordan are buried in the Escondido Cemetery. Lemuel went on cattle drives with Butler family members.⁴⁵



Marcus LaFayette "Fate" Butler 1851-1916. Marcus LaFayette Butler traveled to Texas from Mississippi with his parents and 12 siblings. He and his twin brother George Washington



"Wash" Butler were 19 months old at the time. After arriving on the north side of the San Antonio River in Karnes County, the family pitched a tent and built a crude house.⁴⁶ Wash and Fate raised cattle and were trail drivers.⁴⁷ Wash was killed in a gunfight in Helena. Fate married Callie Louise Hall (1855-1929) from Georgia who moved to Texas with her family when she was ten. The family raised cattle and had several children.⁴⁸ Fate was present during the Daileyville gunfight that was the result of a feud between the Butler and Elder families. The photo on the left is Fate Butler.⁴⁹ His verdict in the gunfight was unlawfully carrying a weapon.⁵⁰

James David "J.D." Campbell 1803-1875 and Rhoda Alice Callendar Campbell 1813-1906. In a historical publication, "History of the First Presbyterian Church of Bellefontaine, Ohio," the



following is recorded:

James D. Campbell, elder of the First Presbyterian church, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, was born in Fayetteville, North Caroline, in 1803. Immigrated to Bellefontaine when quite a young man. He was converted and joined the Presbyterian church. Was married to Miss Rhoda Calendar (Callendar), of Bellefontaine, in 1832. Moved to Texas in 1859, where he was an earnest worker the remainder of his life. He held the office of elder in the Presbyterian church here (Ohio) until his removal in May 1859, and later at Helena and Escondido, Texas, and was Sunday-school superintendent for many years. He raised a family of four girls and four boys...⁵¹

James David and Rhoda Campbell were the parents of Alice Amanda Campbell Martin. They were also the grandparents of James Shirley McLane, the first known burial in the cemetery and grandparents of James Lanham Campbell also buried in he Escondido Cemetery. The Campbells were the owners of the cemetery property at the time of the first burial in 1869.

Andrew A.J. Jackson "Bud" Jordan 1849-1935. A.J. was born in Missouri. He married Florence Virginia "Jennie" Burris Jordan 1859-1932 in 1878. They had six children.⁵² A.J. was a trail driver on the Chisholm Trail.⁵³

Dr. James Fisher Martin 1808 (1812)-1888. Dr. Martin was born in England and went to medical school in Edinburgh, Scotland. He came to the United States in 1826 and completed his medical



training in Baltimore, Maryland. From there he traveled to South Carolina and then to Matagorda, Texas. He married Julia Ann Eberly Martin 1820-1883 in 1840. She came to Texas with her family in 1833 and was the daughter of Captain Jacob Eberly and Catherine Elgin Eberly. Captain Eberly fought in the Republic of



Texas Army in 1836. Dr. Martin served as the sheriff of Matagorda County and fought at the Battle of Plum Creek. The photos are of Dr. Martin and his wife Julia Eberly Martin. Dr. Martin

and Julia moved to Rancho, Gonzales County and eventually to Karnes County. They had five children. ⁵⁴

Jacob Absalom "J.A." Martin 1850-1919. J.A. Martin, son of Dr. James Fisher Martin and Julia Ann Eberly Martin, was born in Matagorda, Texas. He moved with his family to Gonzales County in 1853 and then Karnes County in 1868. He first married Alice Amanda Campbell



Martin 1852-1889. She came to Texas with her parents James David and Rhoda Campbell in 1859. She and J.A. Martin had ten children. She died in childbirth and is buried with her newborn son. The photo left is J.A. Martin, Alice Amanda Martin, and daughters, Edna and Lela. The photo on the right is J.A. Martin. J.A. owned a very large



ranch on both sides of Wofford Crossing Road. He gave the Escondido Cemetery to the Methodist Episcopal Church South. He raised cattle, was a Mason and was president of the Nichols National Bank in Kenedy. After the death of his first wife, he married Mary Elizabeth Smiley Griffin 1861-1916. She was a widow with two children. Together, she and J.A. Martin had six children. Mary Elizabeth "Lizzie" was the granddaughter of Eli Y. Seale, a circuit riding Methodist minister who sometimes conducted services at the Dry Escondido Church. She was a member of the Eastern Star. The photo on the right is Mary Elizabeth Martin.⁵⁵



Hiram Rand Pullin 1831-1886. Hiram Pullin and his wife Candacy Ware Butler Pullin came to Texas from Scott County, Mississippi in 1854. They came with their two children and followed the Butlers to Texas settling in Karnes County.⁵⁶ They eventually produced 12 children. Hiram served in the Confederate Army. He was in Daileyville the day of the fateful gunfight. Hiram's brother, Henry Pullin, was shot in the chest during the feud and died. Hiram was shot and died later. They are buried in the Escondido Cemetery. ^{57 58}

Significance

The area of Karnes County was a wild and untamed part of Texas in the early years. The land was available to settlers and the cattle roamed free. Lawlessness abounded during and after the Civil War and the ranching families became tough and hardy. The settlers moved to the area from the United States and other parts of Texas to seek their fortunes and they established families, towns and cemeteries in the area. Many of them made their fortunes by rounding up the wild longhorns and marketing the cattle in Abilene and Dodge City. They participated in Chisholm Trail drives.

The San Antonio Aransas Pass or SAAP railroad, built in 1886, was instrumental in the establishment of the Karnes County towns of Kenedy and Karnes City. A combination of the railroad, refrigeration and barbed wire ended the cattle drives. Early towns such as Helena and Daileyville ceased to exist and towns like Kenedy and Karnes City developed and thrived.

Those buried in the Escondido Cemetery represent the lives and stories of this formative time period in South Texas history.

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Escondido Cemetery Burials

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Benino Alanis 12/17/1935-1/2/1942

Luis Alanis 8/22/1859-1/24/1937

Pedro Alanis 11/3/1936-12/10/1936

Sarah H. Alexander 1832-9/29/1899

Columbus Marion Ammons 11/17/1854-8/16/1893-son of Hamilton Rutherford Ammons and Martha Louise Davis Ammons; member Helena Guards Confederate Army

Columbus Ammons 10/4/1881-10/9/1881

Hamilton Rutherford Ammons 4/18/1826-12/7/1885-husband of Martha Louise Davis Ammons

Jefferson Davis Ammons 12/31/1858-9/7/1903-son of Hamilton Rutherford Ammons and Martha Louise Davis Ammons; husband of Martha Elizabeth Jones Ammons

Martha Elizabeth "Lizzie" Jones Ammons 8/28/1869-1/17/1897-wife of Jefferson Davis Ammons; mother of Otto Ammons

Martha Louise Davis Ammons 4/12/1836(38 or 39)-10/19/1914- wife of Hamilton Rutherford Ammons; mother of Columbus, Jefferson Davis and Sarah Jane (1853-1940 she married Pleasant Burnell Butler)

Minnie Ammons 7/7/1891-9/17/1896

Otto Ammons 1891-1916-son of Jefferson Davis Ammons and Martha Elizabeth Jones Ammons; married Beth Elder

Marmaduke K. Box 3/21/1819-12/11/1894

Andrew Jackson Burris 1/9/1825-7/3/1912-husband of Minerva Taylor Burris; father of John Washington Burris, Nancy "Nannie" Burris and James Leroy "Lee" Burris

Berlie Burris 11/9/1901-7/24/1971-parents Hattie Hall Burris and William Andrew Jackson Burris

Eldridge Burris 1895-1916- son of Louise Mangnum and William Andrew Jackson Burris

Felix Burris 8/30/1870-9/22/1892-son of L.W. Burris and Ruth Ellen Butler Burris

Hattie May Hall Burris 1883-1917-2nd wife of William Andrew Jackson Burris

John Washington Burris 2/24/1878-7/7/1946-son of Andrew Jackson Burris and Minerva Taylor Burris; husband of Myrtle Lee Jordan Burris; Helena Guards Company Confederate Army

Lee James Leroy Burris 4/13/1878-10/12/1904-Son of Andrew Jackson Burris and Minerva Taylor Burris

Lemuel Wells "L.W." Burris 11/28/1828-8/24/1895-brother of Andrew Jackson Burris; husband of Ruth Ellen Butler Burris; father of Felix Burris, Robert E. Burris, Lemuel Wells Burris, Cordelia Burris and ???Florence Virginia Burris Jordan; Confederate Army

Minerva Taylor Burris 12/25/1827-10/13/1904-wife of Andrew Jackson Burris; mother of John Washington Burris, Lee Burris, Nancy Burris

Myrtle Lee Jordan Burris 5/23/1880-3/22/1964-wife of John Washington Burris; daughter of Florence Burris Jordan & A.J. Jordan

Nany "Nannie" Nancy Burris 3/24/1869-10/28/1928-daughter of Andrew Jackson Burris and Minerva Taylor Burris

R. J. Burris 10/3/1867-6/30/1890

Ruth Ellen Butler Burris 1838-1925-wife of L.W. Burris; mother of Felix, Robert E., Lemuel Wells, Cordelia and ???Virginia Burris Jordan

Callie Louisa Hall Butler 1/18/1855-12/9/1929-wife of Marcus LaFayette Butler

Lela Butler 5/6/1882-4/14/1898-father is Marcus LaFayette Butler

Butler Child 6/19/1893-7/5/1893-child of Marcus LaFayette & Callie Hall Butler

Marcus LaFayette "Fate" Butler 2/19/1851-2/6/1916-husband of Callie Hall Butler; father Burnell Butler

Pleasant Burnell Butler, Jr. 10/24/1874-12/26/1895-father Pleasant Burnell Butler, Sr.

James David Campbell 7/23/1803-12/22/1875- father of Alice Amanda Campbell Martin; husband of Rhoda Alice Callendar Campbell

James Lanham Campbell 1/20/1900-8/9/1910 -son of Charles James and Alice Kate Campbell

Rhoda Alice Callendar Campbell 3/31/1813-4/2/1906 - mother of Alice Amanda Campbell Martin; wife of James David Campbell

Caroline Rutledge Evans 4/5/1841-5/11/1871

Jennie Cathey Harkness 10/29/1870-3/8/1872

Arvadio Hernandez died 4/1/1921- Fallecio a la edad de 62 anos. El 1 de Abril 1921 Carino de sus Hija Delfina y Pedro su hijo-politico (Died at the age of 62 years on the 1st of April 1921. Beloved of his daughter Delfina and Pedro his son-in-law)

Heare or Herre 1851

Sara Cuellar Herrera 1910-1949

Mary Catherine Hibbler 2/14/1825-7/13/1870 (cemetery stone has death at 1878)

Lina Crain Burris Hill 1875-1947 – daughter of Andrew Jackson Burris and Minerva Taylor Burris

Florence Burris Hinton 1/8/1894-5/18/1987

Andrew A. J. Jackson “Bud” Jordan 1849-1935-husband of Florence Virginia Burris Jordan; early Kansas/Texas trail driver

Florence Virginia “Jennie” Burris Jordan 3/2/1859-7/20/1932-wife of Andrew Jackson Jordan

Torivio Lopez 3/13/1864-7/21/1930 Su Esposa E hijos Dedican Este Recuerdo (his wife and son dedicate this remembrance)

Absolom “Abbie” Martin 4/19/1881-10/14/1893-son of Jacob Absolom Martin and Alice Amanda Campbell Martin.

Alice Amanda Campbell Martin 4/5/1852-7/6/1889-daughter of James David Campbell and Rhoda Alice Callendar Campbell; 1st wife of Jacob Absolom Martin; died in childbirth and buried with infant son

Infant Son Martin 1889-1889-son of Jacob Absolom Martin and Alice Amanda Campbell Martin

Infant Girl Martin 10/15/1901-10/25/1901 daughter of J.F. and F.C. Martin

J.A. Martin 1883-1887-son of Jacob Absolom Martin and Alice Amanda Campbell Martin

Jacob Absolom Martin 5/28/1850-2/16/1919- husband of 1st Alice Amanda Campbell Martin and 2nd Mary Elizabeth Smiley Griffin Martin; son of James Fisher Martin and Julia Ann Eberly Martin; WOW; Mason

Dr. James Fisher Martin 1808(1812)-4/21/1888-husband of Julia Ann Eberly Martin

Julia Ann Eberly Martin 1820-1/12/1883- wife of Dr. James Fisher Martin; mother of Jacob Absolom Martin (and more)

Mary Elizabeth “Lizzie” Smiley Griffin Martin 7/31/1861-1/5/1916-2nd wife of Jacob Absolom Martin; Eastern Star

Roy Rutledge Martin 8/8/1877-8/13/1877- son of J.A. and A.A.

James Shirley McLane 4/6/1864-July 1869 (or 9/1/1870) – son of William Jordan McLane and Nancy A. Campbell McLane and grandson of James David Campbell and Rhoda Campbell.

Emma E. Burris Maury 1882-1913 – daughter of Andrew Jackson Burris & Minerva Taylor Burris

Martha M.A. Hall Phale-mother of Caroline Louise “Callie” Hall Butler; buried next to Callie Henry (Harvey) Pullin 7/7/1866-9/25/1886

Hiram Rand Pullin 1831-9/8/1886-husband of Candasia Ware Butler Pullin; born Mississippi; Confederate Army

William Henry Ricks 5/19/1888-6/8/1937

Bronson Robbins 8/11/1860-2/20/1893

Clarissa Jones Robbins 3/27/1823-12/24/1909

Lerline Russell 1/15/1904-10/2/1904-daughter of J.W. Russell

Carrie Rutledge 5/1/1877-5/8/1877-daughter of WJ and CJ Martin Rutledge and grandson of James Fisher and Julia Ann Eberly Martin.

Proscopio Sanchez 10/8/1875-11/2/1918- WOW

Shackelford 6/19/1890-6/19/1890- son of J.F. and A.N. (Seale, sister Mattie, Emma)

B&D Smith 10-8-1879-son of Richard Smith & Cordelia Burris Smith

Cordelia Burris Smith 1862-1942-daughter of L.W. Burris & Ruth Ellen Butler Burris; wife of Richard Smith

French M. Smith 10/30/1873-10/3/1881-child of Hulda Butler & Stine Smith

Guy Edward Smith 6/8/1868-11/6/1908-child of Hulda Butler & Stine Smith

Norman M Smith 9/22/1884-4/11/1943

Richard Smith 1852-1926-husband of Cordelia Burris Smith

Armand Max Souby Sr. 5/29/1846-7/27/1883 son-in-law of Julia Martin Rose and Patrick Rose; postmaster of Daileyville from 1870 until his death.

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The State of Texas,
County of ~~Kemper~~ Know all men by these
presents that I J. A. Martin a resident
of the County and State aforesaid named
for and in consideration of the love
I have and bear for the Cause of Christ
and a desire to build up the Society
of the Methodist Episcopal Church
South, and the further consideration
of the sum of Five Dollars to me intended
paid by M. A. Hines J. D. Newberry
and S. L. Siale Trustees of Church
property of Blountville Circuit local
pastor Christy District West Texas,
Conference of the Methodist Episco-
pal Church South have granted
bargained sold, conveyed set over
and delivered and do by these pre-
sents grant bargain, sell convey
set over and deliver unto the said
M. A. Hines J. D. Newberry and S. L.
Siale Trustees as aforesaid and to their
Successors in Office for the uses
and trust hereinafter set forth the
following tract or parcel of land situ-
ated in ~~Kemper County Texas to wit:~~
Ten acres of the Carlos Martinez's
League Grant in said County and
State, it being a part of the 619 acres
purchased by me of L. J. Campbell on
the 5th day of September A. D. 1888 as per
deed of record in Book P. Page 244 of

[And Records of Kansas County, but
more particularly described by notes
and bounds as follows;
Beginning about Two hundred paces south
45° West of the South East Corner of
said Campbell 619 Acre tract and being
also the North East Corner of the J. A.
McLane Land on the line between
said lands a stake whence a Hackberry
marked X bears North 3 3/4° East 12 1/2 paces
and a Hackberry marked X bears North
13 1/2° East 12 1/2 paces, Thence North 45°
West 176 4/100 paces a stake for corner
whence a Mesquite marked X bears North
20° West 13 1/2 paces and a Mesquite
marked X bears North 70 1/2° East 1 pace
Thence South 45° West 320 paces a stake
for a corner, whence a Hackberry mar-
ked X bears North 10 3/4° paces and a
Mesquite marked X bears South 67°
West 9 2/3 paces, Thence South 45° East
176 4/100 paces a stone on the line between
Martin & McLane Surveys thence with
said line North 45° East 320 paces to
the place of Beginning, the same as sur-
veyed by W. J. Seal County surveyor
of Kansas County on the 28th day of July 1855
to have and to hold all and singular
the above described premises as tenin
conveyed with all the rights privileges
and appurtenances ther-
unto belonging or in anywise apper-

taining unto the said M. A. Hines, J. L.
Newberry and S. P. Seal, Trustees as
aforesaid and to their successors in
office forever. In Trust the said prem-
ises shall be used, kept, maintained
and disposed, as a place of divine
worship for the use of the ministry
and membership of the Methodist
Episcopal Church South, subject
to the discipline usage and ministerial
appointments of said Church as from
time to time authorized and declared
by the general conference of said
Church and the Annual Conference
within whose bounds the said prem-
ises are situate. And I J. A. Martin
do hereby bind myself my heirs, ex-
ecutors administrators and assigns
to forever warrant and defend all and
singular the said premises unto the
said Trustees and their successors
in office against every person whom
soever lawfully claiming or to claim
the same or any part thereof.

Witness my hand this the 2nd day
of August A. D. 1888.

J. A. Martin

A. Maley
J. A. Martin

August 2nd
A. Maley

OFFICIALS OF RECORD.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF BROWN.

A. Maley

Record certified and the same is hereby filed for the purpose of
the 2nd day of August 1888 at 12
and was duly recorded in the office of the County Clerk
on the 8th day of August 1888 at 12 o'clock
544 Deed N 3542-543
2nd day of August 1888
A. Maley
County Clerk, Brown County, Tex.

By _____

K-542-

J. A. Martin
to 3 Dec
Methodist Church

Filed for Record the 2nd
day of Aug A. D. 1888 at
12 o'clock M.
A. Maley
County Clerk, Brown Co.

The State of Texas } know all men by these
 County of Harris } presents, that we W. A.
 Little, L. G. Bailey,
 J. A. Martin, P. B. Butler, W. A. Hines,
 J. H. Newberry, W. J. Graves, R. S. Marshall
 and C. M. Marshall, all residents of the
 County and State above named and
 Trustees of Church property of the Meth-
 odist Episcopal Church South, Kenedy
 Circuit, Beville District, West Texas
 Conference, duly authorized hereto by
 the Quarterly Conference of said Circuit
 by resolution of said Quarterly Conference
~~on the~~ adopted December 2nd 1899. and
 the Approval of Rev. J. W. Gibbons Minister
 in Charge of said Kenedy Circuit, Jr.
 and in consideration of the sum of
 One Hundred Dollars to us in hand paid
 by J. A. Martin, the receipt whereof
 is hereby acknowledged, have granted,
 bargained, sold and conveyed, and by
 these presents, do grant, bargain sell
 and convey unto, S. A. Miller, J. A.
 Martin and P. B. Butler also residents
 of said County and State above named,
 And Community Trustees for Escrow,
 School Community, and to their succe-
 ssors in office, for the uses and trusts
 herein after created and set forth, the
 following described, tract, parcel or piece
 of land situated in said County State,
 to wit: A, part of the Carlos Martin, 15

Lease Grant, and specifically described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning about 200 W. S. 45° W. of the S.E. Cor. of the Campbell tract, being the N.E. Cor. of the J. A. McLane land, on the line between said Campbell McLane tract, a stake

thence a Hackberry mkd $\bar{x}$ brs N. $3\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ E. $12\frac{7}{8}$ vrs, and a Hackberry mkd $\bar{x}$ brs. N. $13\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E. $12\frac{1}{2}$ vrs,

Thence N. 45° W. $176\frac{41}{100}$ vrs. a stake for corner, whence a mesquite mkd $\bar{x}$ brs. N. 20° W. $13\frac{1}{2}$ vrs. & a mesquite mkd $\bar{x}$ brs. N. $70\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E. 1 vrs. Thence S. 45° W. 178 vrs,

a stake for corner. Thence S. 45° E. $176\frac{41}{100}$ vrs. a stake for corner. Thence N. 45° E. 178 vrs to

place of beginning containing four acres of land upon which the present Escudedo Church Building is now situated, and being 4 acres off the East End of 10 ten acre tract of land conveyed by J. A. Martin to the Methodist Episcopal Church South by deed on the 2nd day of August 1888.

To have and to hold all and singular the premises above described, and herein conveyed with all the rights, privileges hereditaments, and appurtenances, thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining, unto the said S. A. Miller, J. A. Martin

and P. B. Butler and to their Successors in office as Community School Trustees of Escudedo School, forever, in trust however for the following purposes and upon the following conditions, The property and premises herein con-

+ 1. used for school purposes to

veyed is to be used for school purposes
either for Free Public Schools or private
schools as may be desired and approved
by said trustees above named or their
successors in said trust, for said ^{respective} ~~respective~~
School Community, ~~with the follow-~~
~~ing reservations, and by these stipulations,~~

1st The Grantors herein as representatives
of the Methodist Episcopal Church
South, of the Kentucky Circuit, reserve
the right to hold a two days ^{protracted} ~~protracted~~
preaching ~~or~~ service on a two days
leaving ^{protracted} ~~protracted~~ service upon said
premises each Conference year, after
giving ten days notice ^{to} the Community
trustees, and teacher, should there
be a school in actual session at the
time it is desired to hold said pro-
tracted church service as above stip-
ulated, and

2nd It is further expressly stipulated
and herein provided, that should
the property and premises herein
conveyed to said Community trustees
and to their successors in this trust,
cease to be used for the ^{for a period of two years} ~~purposes~~, and
under the conditions as herein ^{specified} ~~specified~~,
then and ⁱⁿ that event, the same, is to
revert ~~back~~ to, and become the
property of J. A. Martin individ-
ually, and ^{of his heirs} ~~in~~ fee simple forever and
the grantors herein as the legal repre-

trustees of the Methodist Episcopal
Church South, hereby fully, relinquish
and forever quitclaim, unto the said
J. A. Martin and to his heirs, and
assigns, all the right, title, interest
and claims of any nature ~~whatsoever~~
to the property and premises above described,
and herein conveyed, and we do hereby
bind ourselves and our successors
as trustees of the Methodist Episcopal
Church South, to forever ~~maintain~~ warrant
and defend all and singular the premises
and property herein conveyed to the
trustees above named, and to their
successors as Community School ^{trustees}
Excluded School Community
against the lawful ^{claim} claims of all
persons whatsoever, claiming the
same or any part thereof, by through
or under us, or from the Methodist
Episcopal Church South but no
further

Witness our hands on this the 8th
day of December 1899.

W. A. Little

L. E. Bailey

C. M. Marshall

H. J. Graves

M. A. Hoines

J. A. Martin

J. D. Newberry

R. W. Marshall

P. B. Butler

C. B. Marshall.
P. B. Butler

The State of Texas }
County of Harris } Before me H. J. Seal
~~Clerk of the District Court in and for Harris~~
County Texas on this day personally appeared
W. A. Little and L. B. Bailey Trustees of
Church property of the M. E. Church South
Kendall Circuit - Beeville District - West
Texas Conference. Known to me to be the
persons whose names are subscribed
to the foregoing instrument and ack-
nowledged to me that they had executed
the same for the purposes and con-
sideration therein expressed and in
the capacity therein stated.
In Testimony whereof witness my hand
and Seal of office in Harris City this
the 8th day of December A.D. 1899.

H. J. Seal
Clerk Dist. Court Harris Co. Tex.

The State of Texas: Before me, E. H. Marshall,
County of Karnes, Notary Public in and for
said County, Texas, on this day personally
appeared J. D. Newberry, Trustee of Church
property of the M. E. Church, South, General
Charge, Newville District, West Texas Conference
known to me to be the person whose name is
subscribed to the foregoing instrument and
acknowledges to me that he executed the same
for the purposes and consideration therein
expressed and in the capacity therein
stated.

Given under my hand and
seal of Office this the 9 day of
December A.D. 1899

E. H. Marshall

Notary Public Karnes Co. Texas

State of Texas: Before me, E. H. Marshall, a Notary Public
County of Karnes, in and for Karnes County, Texas, on this
day personally appeared E. H. Marshall, a Trustee
of Church property of the M. E. Church, South, General
Charge, Newville District, West Texas Conference
known to me to be the person whose name is subscri-
bed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledges
that he executed the same for the purposes and
consideration therein expressed and in the
capacity therein set forth.

Given under my hand and seal of
Office this the 11th day of December A.D. 1899.

E. H. Marshall

Notary Public Karnes Co. Texas

The State of Texas

County of Karnes (Before me J. D. Newberry
Justice of the Peace & Ex-officio Notary Public
in and for Karnes County, Texas, on this
day personally appeared C. M. Marshall,
W. F. Graves, M. A. Hines and J. A. Martin
Trustees of Church property, of the M. E. Church
South, Kenedy Circuit, Beeville District,
West Texas Conference, known to me to be
the persons whose names are subscribed
to the foregoing instrument, and
acknowledged to me that they had executed
the same for the purposes and consideration
therein expressed, and in the capacity
therein stated.

Given under my hand and
seal of office, this the 9th day
of December A.D. 1899.

J. D. Newberry
Justice of the Peace &
Ex-officio Notary Public
of Karnes County, Texas

State of Texas }
County of Karnes }

before me C. W. Cooke
Notary Public in and for Karnes County
Texas, on this day personally appeared
P. B. Butler a Trustee of Church property
of the M. E. Church South Kennedy Circuit
Beville District West Texas Conference
known to me to be the person whose
name is subscribed to the foregoing
Instrument and acknowledged
to me that he executed the same
for the purposes and consideration
therein expressed and in
the Capacity therein set forth.

Given under my hand and
Seal of Office this 15th day
of December A. D. 1899

C. W. Cooke
Notary Public
Karnes County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Karnes. I, Wm. I. Mayfield, Clerk of
the County Court in and for said County, do hereby certify that
the foregoing Instrument dated the 8 day of
Dec 1899, with an abstract of an homestead
was filed for record in my office, the 18th day of
Dec 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M., and
daily Received the 27th day of Dec 1899,
at 11 o'clock A. M., in Book Records of
said County, in Vol. X, on Pages 44 to 46.
Witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of said
County, at office in Karnes City, Texas, the day and year
last above written.

Wm. I. Mayfield
Clerk County Court, Karnes County, Texas.

Filed for Record the 18th
day of Dec A. D. 1899 at
3 o'clock P. M.
Wm. I. Mayfield
County Clerk Karnes Co.

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The State of Texas Know all men by these
 to county of Harris 3 presents, that we W. A.
 Little L. G. Bailey
 J. A. Martin, P. B. Butler, M. A. Stines
 J. R. Newbern, W. J. Graves, R. S. Marshall
 and L. M. Marshall all residents of the
 County and State above named, and
 Trustees of ~~the~~ Church property of the
 Methodist Episcopal Church South,
 Kenedy Circuit, Beeville District
 West Texas Conference, duly authorized
 hereto by the Quarterly Conference of said
 circuit by resolution of said Quarterly
 Conference adopted December 2nd 1899,
 and the approval of the Rev. J. W. Gibbens
 Preacher in Charge of said Kenedy
 Circuit, for and in consideration of
 the sum of one Dollar to us in hand
 paid W. H. Ammons, P. B. Butler
 and J. A. Martin Trustees of Cemetery
 property of the Methodist Episcopal
 Church South at Escobedo Cemetery,
 have granted, bargained, sold and conveyed
 and by the forecloses do grant, bargain,
 sell and convey unto said W. H. Ammons
 P. B. Butler and J. A. Martin and to their
 successors in office as trustees of
 Cemetery property as above named,
 for the uses and trust, hereinafter
 set forth, the following described
 tract, piece or parcel of land, situated in
 said County and State above named and

described as follows: Being a part of the
leodes Martin's 15 League Grant, and more
specifically designated by meters and bounds
as follows to wit: Beginning at a stake for
corner on the N. line of the Escudedo 10
acre le church tract which is also a corner
of a four acre tract on Lot this day deeded
to Escudedo School Trustees, Thence S. 45°
west 192.0000, a stake for cor. whence a Hack-
berry mld $\bar{x}$ bears North $10\frac{3}{4}$ ors. and a Mugwort
mld $\bar{x}$ brs. S. 67° W $2\frac{3}{4}$ ors. Thence S. 45° E. 176. $\frac{41}{100}$
ors a stone on the line between Martin Mc Lane
Surveys, Thence with said line N. 45° E. 192.0000
to a stake for corner for this six acre tract,
being also the corner of a four acre Block
or tract this day deeded to School Community
Trustees, of Escudedo School Community,
and being six acres off the west end
of a ten acre tract conveyed by J. A.
Martin to the Methodist Episcopal Church
South by deed of date Aug. 2nd 1888.

To have and to hold ~~the~~ all and singular
the premises above described, and herein
conveyed with all the rights, privileges,
hereditaments, and appurtenances thereto
belonging in in any wise incident in
appurtenance, unto ~~the~~ W. H. Armstrong
P. B. Butler and J. A. Martin and to their
successors in office as trustees of community
property of the Methodist Episcopal Church
South at Escudedo Texas, forever,
In trust however following purposes viz

The land and premises herein...

The land and premises herein conveyed, is to be used solely and exclusively for cemetery grounds for the burial of the dead and shall never be used or occupied for any other purpose whatsoever, And we do hereby bind ourselves and our successors in office as trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, to warrant and defend all and singular the premises and property herein conveyed to the said W. H. Armons, P. B. Butler and J. A. Martin trustees herein named and to their successors, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof, by, through or under us as trustees of Church property, or from the Methodist Episcopal Church South, but no further.

Witness our hands on this the 8th
day of December 1899.

was little

L. G. Bailey

C M Marshall

H. J. Graves.

H. A. Hines

H. A. Martin

And Newberry
R. S. Marshall.

P. Z. Butler

The State of Texas } Before me H. J. Seal
County of Kemer. } Clerk of the District
Court of Kemer County Texas on this
day personally appeared Th. A. Little
and L. G. Bailey, Trustees of Church prop-
erty of the M. E. Church South Kentucky Circuit
Beverly District West Texas Conference.
Known to me to be the persons whose
names are subscribed to the foregoing
instrument and acknowledged to me
that they executed the same for the pur-
poses and Consideration therein ex-
pressed and in the Capacity therein
set forth.

In Testimony whereof witness my hand
and Seal of Office at Kemer City this 8th -
day of December A.D. 1899.

H. J. Seal
Clerk District Court Kemer Co Texas

The State of Texas } Before me, C. M. Marshall a Notary
County of Kemer } Public in and for Kemer County Texas
on this day personally appeared J. D. Newberry, a Trustee of
Church property of the M. E. Church South Kentucky
Circuit, Beverly District West Texas Conference.
Known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing
instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same
for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in
the Capacity therein set forth.

Given under my hand and seal of Office this 8th day of
December 1899.
C. M. Marshall, Notary Public, Kemer Co, Texas.

The State of Texas
County of Karnes } Before me, C.M.
Marshall, a Notary Public in and for
Karnes County, Texas, on this day
appeared H. S. Marshall, a trustee of
Church property of the M. E. Church South
Sincerely Charge, Beeville District, West
Texas Conference, known to me to be the
person whose name is subscribed to the
 foregoing instrument and acknowledges
to me that he executed the same for the
purposes and consideration therein ex-
pressed and in the capacity therein
set forth.

Given under my hand and seal
of office this 17th day of December
A. D. 1899.

C. M. Marshall
Notary Public Karnes Co., Texas



The State of Texas }
County of Karnes } Before me J. D.
Newberry Justice of the Peace & Ex-officio
Notary Public, in and for Karnes County
Texas, on this day personally appeared
C. M. Marshall, W. F. Gravel, M. A. Hines
and J. A. Martin, Trustees of Church
property, of the M. E. Church South, Karnes
Circuit, Beeville District, West Texas
Conference, known to me to be the
persons whose names are subscribed
to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged
to me that they had executed the same
for the purposes and consideration
therein expressed, and in the capacity
therein stated.

Given under my hand
and seal of office this
the 9th day of December

A. D. 1899



J. D. Newberry
Justice of the Peace & Ex-officio
Notary Public of Karnes County, Texas



The State of Texas }
County of Karnes }

State of Texas }
County of Karnes }

before me E. W. Cooke
a Notary Public in and for Karnes
County Texas on this day
personally appeared C. P. Butler a
Trustee of Church property of the
M. E. Church South Kentucky Circuit
Beeville District West Texas
Conference. Known to me to be
the person whose name is
subscribed to the foregoing
Instrument and acknowledged to
me that he executed the same
for the purposes and consideration
therein expressed and in the
capacity therein set forth.
Given under my hand and
Seal of Office this 15th day
of December A. D. 1899.

E. W. Cooke
Notary Public
Karnes County Texas.

the County Clerk, Karnes County, Texas, to the effect that the same is a true and correct copy of the original as the same is on file in my office, the 18th day of Dec 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M. I have caused the same to be filed in my office, the 18th day of Dec 1899, at 3 o'clock P. M. in the name of the County Clerk, Karnes County, Texas, on Page 47650. Witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County, at office in Karnes City, Texas, the day and year last above written.

Wm. J. Mayfield
County Clerk, Karnes County, Texas.
Deputy.

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Filed for Record the 18th day of Dec A. D. 1899 at 3 o'clock P. M.
Wm. J. Mayfield
County Clerk, Karnes Co.

Richard W. Foster, Jr.
Attorney & Counsellor at Law
209 W. Main - P. O. Box 1789
Kenedy, Texas 78119

512 588-3481

February 4, 1980

The Reverend Billy Hammond
First United Methodist Church
218 South 4th Street
Kenedy, Texas 78119

Re: Escondido Cemetery Property

Dear Reverend Hammond:

At your request, I have examined the title to the cemetery property at Escondido and have determined the following:

1. On August 2, 1888, J. A. Martin deeded to the Church Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South ten (10) acres of land in trust to be used "in trust that said premises shall be used, kept, maintained and disposed of as a place of divine worship for the use of the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, subject to the discipline usage and ministerial appointments of said church as from time to time authorized and declared by the general conference of said church and the annual conference within whose bound the said premises are situated".

2. On December 8, 1899, the Church Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South deeded six (6) acres of the above referenced ten (10) acre tract to W. A. Amons, P. B. Butler and J. A. Martin as Trustees of Cemetery property of the Methodist Episcopal Church South at Escondido, said property being deeded in trust for the following purpose, to-wit:

"the land and premises herein conveyed are to be used solely and exclusively as cemetery grounds for the burial of the dead and shall never be used or occupied for any other purpose whatsoever."

CONCLUSION

It is my opinion that the six (6) acre tract known as the Escondido Cemetery is owned, in trust, by the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

RECOMMENDATIONS

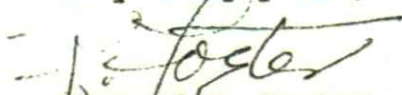
I recommend that an affidavit be placed on file stating that the property has been held and used for cemetery purposes only from 1899 to date, that the Methodist Episcopal Church South does or does not any longer exist, and if it no longer exists the body into which it evolved, and in order to protect the title to the land, I recommend that an affidavit of adverse possession be placed on file stating

Reverend Hammond, 2/4/80, Page 2

that the current possessor of the property has been in total control of the property in an adverse and open manner for at least the last five (5) years.

Enclosed with this letter are the original deeds recorded in Volume K, Page 542, Volume X, Page 47, Volume X, Page 42, and Volume 49, Page 42 of the Deed Records of Karnes County, Texas.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. W. Foster, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Richard W. Foster, Jr.

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Encls.

Appendix E

*Board Certified - Farm
& Ranch, Residential, &
Commercial Real Estate
Law - Texas Board of Legal
Specialization*

*Richard W. Foster, Jr.
Attorney & Counsellor at Law
209 W. Main - P. O. Box 1789
Kenedy, Texas 78119
512/583-3481*

*Member - State Bar of
Texas - American Bar
Association - College of the
State Bar of Texas*

August 17, 1987

Mrs. Peggy Mauch
First United Methodist Church
218 South 4th Street
Kenedy, Texas 78119

Dear Peggy:

You requested that I make a determination of ownership of the four acres left over from the 1888 deed into the Methodist Episcopal Church South. On February 4, 1980, I wrote to your church stating that 6 of the 10 acres is owned by the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

After your call, I realized that the first examination I made covered only the 6 acres, and did not include an examination of the additional four acres. I have since gone back to the courthouse and examined title to the four acres left over, and have determined that it was deeded in 1899 to School Trustees, who thereafter in 1914 deeded it to J. A. Martin.

Accordingly, the church would own only the 6 acres in the cemetery and not the additional 4 acres. If you have any further questions please advise.

Very truly yours,



Richard W. Foster, Jr.

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MEMORANDUM OF OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF KARNES §

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Be it Remembered that made effective as of this ^{6th} day of June, 2011, an Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease (the "Lease") was made and entered into between **THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF KARNES CITY**, whose address is **201 N. Esplanade, Karnes City, Texas 78118**, (hereinafter referred to as "Lessor", whether one or more), and **TRINITY TEXAS ENERGY SERVICES, LLC**, whose address is **4203 Montrose Blvd., Suite 250, Houston, Texas 77006**, as "Lessee". Under the terms of the Lease, Lessor granted, leased and let exclusively unto Lessee for the purpose of exploring, drilling, operating for, producing and owning oil, gas and their respective constituent products, together with the right to make surveys, lay pipelines, build tanks and roads and other structures thereon necessary or useful in Lessee's operations in exploring, drilling for, producing, treating, storing and transporting said products from the land leased thereunder, those certain lands of the Lessor situated in Karnes County, Texas, comprising 6 acres of land, more or less, described as follows:

Being 6 acres, more or less, out of the Carlos Martinez Survey, A-6, Karnes County, Texas, being the same land described in that certain Warranty Deed dated December 8, 1899 between W.A. Little, L.G. Bailey, J.A. Martin, P.B. Butler, M.A. Hines, J.D. Newberry, W.J. Graves, R.S. Marshall, C.M. Marshall, Trustees of the Church property of Methodist Episcopal Church South Kenedy and W.H. Ammons, P.B. Butler, J.A. Martin, Trustees of the Cemetery property of Methodist Episcopal Church South at Escondido Cemetery and recorded in Volume X, Page 47 of the Deed Records of Karnes County, Texas.

Additionally, this lease covers and includes any interest owned by Lessor under Rights-of-Way, Easements, streets, roads, culverts and waterways, or alleys abutting, adjoining or adjacent to the above described property.

The Lease also covers and includes, in addition to that above described, all land, if any, contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the land above described and (a) owned or claimed by Lessor by limitation, prescription, possession, reversion or unrecorded instrument or (b) as to which Lessor has a preference right or preferential right of acquisition, including such land, if any, which may underlie roads, rights-of-way, or any easement on or adjoining the above described land ("the Leased premises"). Lessor agrees to execute any supplemental instrument requested by Lessee for a more complete or accurate description of said land.

Unless sooner terminated or longer kept in force under other provisions thereof, the Lease shall remain in effect for a term of three (3) years from the date thereof (therein called "primary term") and as long thereafter as operations, as therein defined, are conducted upon said land with no cessation of more than ninety (90) consecutive days.

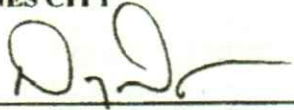
Executed copies of the Lease are in the possession of Lessor and Lessee at the offices of Lessor and Lessee at their addresses listed first above.

This instrument may be executed either as one instrument or in several partially executed counterparts and the original and all counterparts shall be construed together and shall constitute one instrument. Should less than all of the named Lessor execute this instrument, this instrument shall be binding on those who are signatories. For recordation and all other purposes, the separate signature pages and acknowledgments may be affixed to the body of an original instrument without necessity of recording the entirety of each separate counterpart.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is effective as of date first above written and executed as of the date on which signature hereto is acknowledged to evidence of record in the Official Records of the County Clerk of Karnes County, Texas, the existence of the Lease and for all other purposes.

LESSOR:

**THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF
KARNES CITY**

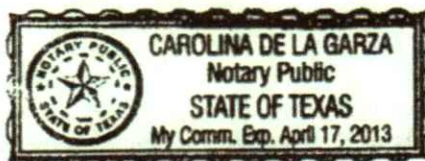
By: 
Danny Denson, Trustee

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF KARNES §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on June 6, 2011, by Danny Denson, as Trustee for The United Methodist Church of Karnes City, on behalf of said church.




NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS

Appendix G

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AMENDMENT TO OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE

State: **TEXAS**
County: **KARNES**
Lessor: **The United Methodist Church of Karnes City**
201 N. Esplanade
Karnes City, Texas 78118
Lessee: **PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES USA, INC.**
5205 N. O'Connor Blvd., Suite 200
Irving, TX 75039
Effective Date: **June 6, 2011**

On June 6, 2011, The United Methodist Church of Karnes City, Lessor, granted to Trinity Texas Energy Services, L.L.C., an Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, recorded by Memorandum in Volume 983, Page 661, Official Records, Karnes County, Texas, the "Lease".

The "Lease" covers 6 acres of land, more or less, located in the Carlos Martinez Grant, Survey A-6, Karnes County, Texas, as described below (the "Lands"):

Being 6 acres, more or less, out of the Carlos Martinez Survey, A-6, Karnes County, Texas, being the same land described in that certain Warranty Deed dated December 8, 1899 between W. A. Little, L. G. Bailey, J.A. Martin, P. B. Butler, M.A. Hines, J. D. Newberry, W. J. Graves, R. S. Marshall, C. M. Marshall, Trustees of the Church property of Methodist Episcopal Church South Kenedy and W. H. Ammons, P. B. Butler, J. A. Martin, Trustees of the Cemetery property of Methodist Episcopal Church South at Escondido Cemetery and recorded in Volume X, Page 47 of the Deed Records of Karnes County, Texas.

The Lease and all rights and privileges thereunder, are now owned and held by Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc., as Lessee, its successors and assigns.

Lessor and Lessee desire to amend the Lease to further define and revise the pooling language to allow governmental jurisdictional prescribed or permitted pooling.

NOW THEREFORE, The United Methodist Church of Karnes City, Lessor, hereby AMENDS the Lease as follows:

Paragraph 20, Subsection C of the Lease shall be DELETED in its entirety and REPLACED by the following:

Paragraph 20, Subsection C

Horizontal Drainhole Wells: As to oil or gas produced from a 'horizontal' well (any well classified as a horizontal drainhole well by the Railroad Commission of Texas), units pooled hereunder shall be limited to the following maximum amount of acreage depending on the length of the lateral horizontal drainhole displacement within the productive formation plus a tolerance of 10%:

Horizontal Drainhole Displacement	Horizontal	Horizontal
	Oil Well	Gas Well
100' - 1,500'	80 acres	160 acres
1,501' - 3,000'	160 acres	320 acres
3,001' -- and longer	320 acres	944 acres

However, should a governmental authority having jurisdiction require the creation of units larger than those specified, for the drilling or operation of a well at a regular location, drilled either vertically or horizontally, to comply with existing or subsequently established field rules.

In consideration of Lessor's consent to allow for the enlargement of the allowable acreage in a Gas Well Unit, Lessee hereby agrees to drill two Eagleford Shale gas wells in the unit in which the Lands have been pooled within two (2) years of the effective date of the "lease".

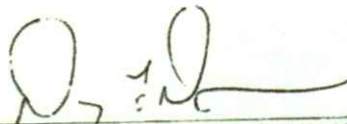
However, if Lessee does not comply with the well commitment within the allowable two (2) years, then Lessee shall pay Lessor a penalty of Fifty-Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) payable after written notification provided to Lessee by Lessor.

Lessor, does hereby ADOPT, RATIFY and CONFIRM the Lease as amended, and does hereby LEASE, GRANT, DEMISE and LET to Lessee, and Lessee's assigns, all the interest of Lessor in and to the Lands covered by the Lease as amended and corrected herein, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Lease.

This Amendment may be executed in counterparts and if so executed shall be valid, binding and have the same effect as if all the parties hereto actually joined in and executed one and the same document. For recording purposes and in the event counterparts of this Amendment are executed, the executed pages, together with the pages necessary to show acknowledgments, may be combined with the other pages of this Amendment so as to form what shall be deemed and treated as a single original instrument showing execution by all parties hereto.

This Amendment is signed by Lessor as of the date of the acknowledgments below, but is effective for all purposes as of the Effective Date stated above.

LESSOR



Danny Denson, Trustee on behalf of The United Methodist Church of Karnes City

LESSEE

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES USA, INC.

By: 

(printed name)

(title)

NEWPEK, LLC

By: 

Rodolfo Bamba Garcia

(printed name)

Attorney-in-fact

(title)

RELIANCE EAGLEFORD UPSTREAM HOLDING LP

By: Reliance Eagleford Upstream GP LLC, its General Partner

By: 

(printed name)

(title)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 COUNTY OF KARNES §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 19th day of January, 2012, by
Danny Denson, as Trustee on behalf of The United Methodist Church of Karnes City.



Carolina De La Garza
 Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 COUNTY OF Dallas §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on March 5th, 2012, by
Jerry Hall Legal Eagleford Asset of
PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES USA, INC., a corporation, on behalf of said corporation.



Melissa Irene Kidwell
 Notary in and for the State of Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 COUNTY OF Dallas §

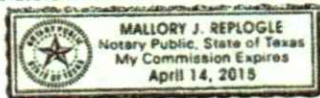
This instrument was acknowledged before me on March 5th, 2012 by
Rodolfo Gamba Gracia Attorney-in-Fact of
NEWPEK, LLC, a limited liability company, on behalf of said company.



Melissa Irene Kidwell
 Notary in and for the State of Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 COUNTY OF Harris §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on MARCH 30th, 2012, by
Walter Van de Vijver President & Director of
RELIANCE EAGLEFORD UPSTREAM HOLDING LP
BY: RELIANCE EAGLEFORD UPSTREAM GP LLC
GENERAL PARTNER



Mallory J. Replogle
 Notary in and for the State of Texas

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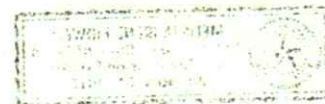
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Cecelia Vajdos

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF KARNES
I hereby certify that this instrument was
filed on the date and time stamped hereon by me
and was duly recorded in the volume and page
of the named records of:
Karnes County
as stamped hereon by me.
Apr 13, 2012

Carol Suizer, County Clerk
Karnes County



Initials: JB
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Appendix H

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Name: Garret S. Brandt
Address: 11213 Hill Top Bend
Helotes, Texas 78023

After Recording Return To

Name: Karnes City Methodist Church
Address: 201 N Esplanade St.
Karnes City, Texas 78118

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TEXAS SPECIAL (LIMITED) WARRANTY DEED

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KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, That **First United Methodist Church Incorporated, Karnes City, Texas**, a Texas nonprofit corporation, on behalf of the entity and as successors-in-interest to the **Trustees of the Karnes City Methodist Episcopal Church, South of Karnes City, Texas** and the **Karnes City Methodist Church of Karnes City** ("Grantor"), in consideration of the sum of Ten and no/100 dollars (\$10.00) and other valuable consideration, in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto **Karnes City Methodist Church**, a Texas nonprofit corporation, whose mailing address is 201 N Esplanade St, Karnes City, Texas 78118 ("Grantee"), the following described real property, situate in Karnes County, State of Texas, to wit:

Any and all oil, gas and other minerals and mineral rights or interests owned by Grantor in Karnes County, Texas, including but not limited to:

Being 6 acres, more or less, out of the Carlos Martinez Survey, A-6, Karnes County, Texas, being the same land described in that certain Warranty Deed dated December 8, 1899 between W.A. Little, L.G. Bailey, J.A. Martin, P.B. Butler, M.A. Hines, J.D. Newberry, W.J. Graves, R.S. Marshall, C.M. Marshall, Trustees of the Church property of Methodist Episcopal Church South

[Kenedy and W.H. Ammons, P.B. Butler, J.A. Martin, Trustees of the Cemetery property of Methodist Episcopal Church South at Escondido Cemetery and recorded in Volume X, Page 47 of the Deed Records of Karnes County, Texas.]

And the following parcels identified by Parcel ID number of the Karnes County Tax Office:

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613970
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TOGETHER WITH all the appurtenances thereunto belonging (the "Property").

AND warrant the title to the same, against any challenge claiming by, through or under, Grantor, but not otherwise.

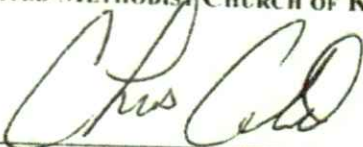
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Property unto Grantee, and to Grantee's heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has executed and delivered this Special Warranty Deed under seal as of the day and year first above written.

GRANTOR:

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF KARNES CITY, AN UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION

By:


Chris Carter, Trustee

By:


Cassandra Gotthardt, Trustee

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH INCORPORATED, KARNES CITY, TEXAS, A TEXAS NONPROFIT CORPORATION

By:


Chris Carter, Trustee

By:


Cassandra Gotthardt, Trustee

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF KARNES

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on July 7th, 2023, by Chris Carter, Trustee of First United Methodist Church of Karnes City, an unincorporated association, on behalf of the association and in the capacities stated above.


Notary Public, State of Texas