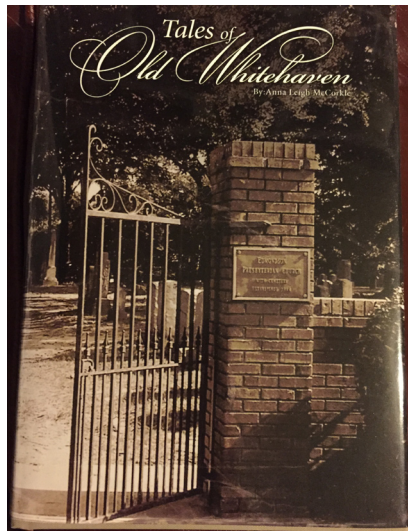


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Tales of Old Whitehaven

Copies of this book by the late Anne Leigh McCorkle are available by sending \$28.50 to:

Edmondson Cemetery Association
5267 Tulane Road S.
Hernando, MS 38632

All proceeds from sales will benefit Edmondson.

Edmondson Cemetery Association
c/o Sarah Hassell Clenney
3300 Byhalia Road
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Annual Cemetery Association Meeting

The annual meeting of the Edmondson Cemetery Association will be held at **2:30 pm on Sunday, October 29** in the M. R. Davis Library, 8554 Northwest Drive in Southaven. The annual meeting is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Those who own burial plots in the cemetery or have family buried therein are eligible to become voting members of the cemetery association. Annual dues – a suggested donation of \$1 or more – are payable at the meeting, prior to the call to order.

Association members are encouraged to bring younger members of their family in order to familiarize them with the cemetery care and management.

Several business items are addressed each year at the meeting. Three positions on the nine member Board of Directors come up for election each year, and there is a review of the Board actions and financial reports. The floor is open for questions, discussions, and comments.

New Prices for Plots

At the November 2016 board meeting, a resolution passed to raise the prices of grave plots in Edmondson which are currently well under market value. Beginning January 1, 2018 each grave in the new section will be sold in pairs at \$400 each, \$800 for the two. More than one pair may be purchased where available. The Board Treasurer is empowered by the board to work out payment plans over time. While keeping the costs of plots reasonable, the raise in price was necessary as we consider the long term maintenance of the site.

Edmondson Needs Your Help

We are writing to friends of Edmondson Cemetery. In recent years we have done much to stabilize crumbling embankments, stall erosion, foster turf, improve parking, and more. There is a sense of duty that we respect those interred and the times and places they lived. In truth, they carved our community from wilderness and worked hard to bring progress decade by decade to our own era of prosperity.

The cemetery still has a few burials each year but the income from plots is hardly adequate to maintain the property. We are asking friends of Edmondson, friends of old Whitehaven, friends of Horn Lake and Southaven, all interested in history to support this place with a modest contribution. To be clear, Edmondson Cemetery is not a non-profit organization so donations are not tax deductible.

We are simply suggesting that the oasis of a former era is worth saving for many generations to come and that we need your help do this. If you have not been to the cemetery lately, please come and visit soon. We think that you will be proud of what you see.

If you feel so moved to help, please remit a check in any amount to:

Edmondson Cemetery
c/o 5267 Tulane Rd. S.
Hernando, MS 38632

Thank you for considering this request,

The Edmondson Cemetery Board of Directors

Tombstone Rubbing Do's and Don't's

For many decades – before cameras and copiers – people made copies of tombstone by gently rubbing charcoal or lead across paper held against tombstones to capture the indentures of writing or carvings. You have probably seen or seen picture of visitors making rubbings from the Vietnam Memorial. Some cemeteries encourage rubbing and some prohibit. Edmondson has no official policy either way, but strongly urges gaining permission of any family for rubbing stones of their relative buried there. That said, how do you do it safely without damaging the stone?

First rub only stones in good condition, not any that might be chipping, flaking, or otherwise damaged by the extra pressure of rubbing. If you elect to clean off a stone before rubbing, use a soft brush, never a stiff bristle or wire brush and never any solvents.

Use butcher paper or white fabric to rub on. You may tape it to the stone with low adhesive painter's tape, but never use heavy adhesive mailing tape or duct tape.

Never use magic markers, sharpie markers or crayons, which might leave marks on the stone. Also avoid sidewalk chalk which is abrasive. Find rubbing wax, charcoal sticks (will require a fixative later to preserve from smearing), or graphite at an art supply store.

Rub in one direction or pattern in evenly weighted strokes.

When finished carefully remove the paper (a paper towel roll center to gift wrap roll center is great to wrap it around), and bring a roll of waxed paper to separate multiple rubbings you might make. Be sure to remove any tape. Framing under glass is a great way to display finished rubbings; place the rubbing on mat board or foam core and make sure the glass does not touch the rubbing.



Thank you Hunter

Many thanks to Hunter Johnston who has not only produced this newsletter for several years but also done a remarkable job in organizing cemetery records. He is retiring from these duties and we are all very thankful for the great work he has done.

Burials Since October 2016

Name	Date of Death
Donald Ray Riley	December 27, 2016
Fred W. Bailey	January 28, 2017
Maxine Campbell Underwood (Mrs. George Underwood)	January 30, 2017
Patricia Hudson	September 28, 2017

Donations Received Since Previous Newsletter

Thank you to all who have made donations to the Edmondson Cemetery Association since the last annual meeting. These include:

Maury & Betsy Ayrer *in memory of* Fred Bailey

Mr. & Mrs. Charles S. Boyd *in memory of* Fred Bailey

Robert P. Campbell, Robert P. Campbell, Jr., and Steven R. Campbell *in memory of* Maxine Campbell Underwood.

Ryan & Martha Johnston Chavers *in memory of* John Waller Johnston, Jr. & Gertrude Scates Johnston.

Karen & Mike Copp *in memory of* Alvin & Irma Burkhalter, Edna Hurst, & Wm. L. Glanville

Shirley Davis *in memory of* Carl A. Davis

Sluggo & Wanda Davis *in memory of* Fred Bailey, *in memory of* Patricia Hudson

Dot Neale & Doug Ferris *in memory of* Fred Bailey

James D. Hentz, Jr. *in memory of* Emmie Deen Davis Hentz

Beverly W. Johnston *in memory of* Geneva Cox Johnston and John Waller Johnston, Jr.

Peggy & Bill Carrington Jones & Lucy Carrington Jones *in memory of* Fred Bailey

Mutual Fun Stock Syndicate *in memory of* Fred Bailey

Judith Owen *in memory of* Samuel & Evelyn Hartz & their descendants

Maxine Campbell Underwood *in honor of* Hunter W. Johnston.

David & JoAnn Underwood *in memory of* Maxine Campbell Underwood.

Doris Ward *in memory of* Hutchinson & Whiteside families

Symbols in Stone

Many of the markers and monuments in Edmondson bear images that carry a meaning for those that had them made or for the loved one at rest beneath these symbols in stone.

The Celtic cross often indicates someone with ancestry in Ireland or other Celtic area of the United Kingdom such as Scotland, Wales, Cornwall, or in nearby Brittany.

The letter IHS often found in the center are a Latinized form of the first three letters of the name Jesus written in Greek (also found as IHC).

RIP engravings on stones can be the Latin *resquiecat in pace* or its English equivalent *rest in peace*.

Laurel wreaths come to use from ancient Rome as symbols of victory over death since the leaves of laurels do not wilt.

