Cemetery Project Update ~ June 2021

Since our last report, our Cemetery Project volunteers have added several more cemeteries to our database on CemeteryCensus.com. Links to the newly-added cemeteries are provided below. Our CemeteryCensus database displays all of the photos and lists all of the burials recorded in each site.



Hickory Grove Methodist Church cemetery (A28.1), in Albright Township was photographed by Susan Mckean Hall. The first recorded burial in this cemetery was in 1882, and the most recent in 2020. Susan photographed 175 readable markers.

http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/chat/cem002.htm

The **Zion Methodist Church** cemetery (A86.1), in Albright Township, was photographed by Kelly Gomez. The earliest burial in this cemetery was in 1835, and the last burial was in 2010. Kelly photographed 92 readable markers. Lois McPherson provided some photos in 2018.

http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/chat/cem005.htm





The **Flint Ridge Methodist Church** cemetery (B22.1), in Albright Township, was photographed by Kelly Gomez. The earliest burial in this cemetery is from 1875, and the last burial was in 2008. Kelly photographed 137 readable markers.

http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/chat/cem008.htm

The **Charles and Eliza Lutterloh Family Cemetery** (D61.1) in Chapel Ridge development in Hadley Township was recorded and documented in 2009. The site was recently visited by Doug Berg, who found it overgrown and untended.

http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/chat/cem070.htm



Lutterloh cemetery in 2009



Lutterloh cemetery in 2021

A **previously unreported** cemetery (D68.1) on land to be developed off Hamlet's Chapel Rd. in Baldwin Township was reported by the developer and visited by Jim and Bev Wiggins. The site is overgrown and a thorough investigation will be required to adequately document it. We will report on findings at a later date. No inscribed markers were noted, but there are a number of graves marked with fieldstones and a large area covered with periwinkle (myrtle).



http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/chat/cem611.htm



The **Gardner Family Cemetery** (L69.1), in Cape Fear Township, has been photographed by Boe Goodwin. The cemetery was reported and documented in 1992, but Boe's photos are the first provided and will help preserve this overgrown out-of-the way site. The earliest marked burial is from 1846. This site contains some unusual graves covered by fieldstones.

http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/chat/cem355.htm

The Edward and Martha Harper Family Cemetery, (P53.4) in Bear Creek Township was reported by Ryan Jones. The property containing the small family cemetery has been purchased by Tyson's Creek Baptist Church. The formerly overgrown site has been cleared of trees and brush and will be maintained by the church. The cemetery contains 18-20 graves. There are five inscribed markers. The earliest recorded burial is from

1847. When Martha Harper died in 1877, her will dictated the inscription on her marker and directed her executor to build a wall around the cemetery to her specifications. Jim and Bev Wiggins photographed the site and markers.

http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/chat/cem610.htm





Interested in another Chatham cemetery or want to look up an individual? Search cemeteries or burials here.

Several other volunteers have promised to photograph additional cemeteries. We'll be adding those to CemeteryCensus.com as we get them and will make updates here on the website.

<u>Learn more about our cemetery survey project here</u>. There are many more Chatham cemeteries that deserve to be documented and we would love to have your help!

Questions or want to volunteer? Contact us at cemeterysurvey@chathamhistory.org.