Designed by: Mr. Paul L. Sullivan

# History & Facts

By: Jean Hedgepeth

## Mr. James Anderson Davis

The first World War I soldier I have chosen to write about for this newsletter is James Anderson Davis. of Canmer. Even though he was born in Larue County, he chose Canmer as his last home. He was born September 6, 1892 and died June 7, 1956. His parents were Cecil Charles and Frances Pardine (Carroll) Davis. She was the daughter of William Albert and Lucinda (Thompson) Carroll. They were married December 12, 1872. Cecil's parents were John M. Davis, who is buried at Shibola, and Nancy Bewley, who was born 1848. Mr. Cecil was one of nine children.

Mr. James Anderson married Ada Parish. She was the daughter of John W. and Editha May (Bumgardner) Parish. They are buried in the Timberlake Cemetery. Mr. John Parish's great, great, grandfather was born in Maryland in 1718. Mr. James and Mrs. Ada had five children: Lawrence K, born 1920, Mary Alta (Sis) 1923, Alvine R., 1925, Willie A., 1927, and Maxine, 1929, all of whom were born in Canmer.

Mr. Davis was a farmer and truck driver. Mr. Davis enlisted for World War I on August 5, 1918 and was discharged on February 3, 1919. He was a Pvt. Co. H, 67 Inf. 9<sup>th</sup> Division. After getting out of the Army, he returned to Canmer to spend the rest of his life and is buried in the Pearl Webb Cemetery with other family members. (His granddaughter, Brenda Dudderar, is on the cemetery board and works very hard to keep the cemetery looking nice.



## Mr. Wiley Caswell

The other soldier for this newsletter is Mr. Wiley Caswell. He was born on May 1, 1894 in Hart County and died May 10, per death record, but his stone says May 12. He was the son of Welby and Lizzie (Logsdon) Caswell. In the 1900 census, he was living with Mrs. Armilda Boyd and listed as an orphan. As a young man, he was a farmer. He went into the Army on May 5, 1918 and was sent to Camp Fort Benjamin, Indiana. He came home sick with typhoid and meningitis. He was sick for a short time and passed away. Mr. H.G. Richardson was the undertaker from Munfordville who buried him. He was buried on May 11, 1919 in Pearl Webb Cemetery. He is the only Caswell buried in Pearl Webb.

On his stone is the picture of a castle, which is the logo of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which makes me think that he was in that part of the Army.



## Persons buried at Pearl Webb Cemetery, since the last newsletter:

## Julie Elaine Buckner

DOB: 3-01-50 DOD: 2-18-16

## Donnie R. Dillard

DOB: 5-21-48 DOD: 6-06-15

Note: We would like to express our regrets for leaving Donnie Dillard off of our last newsletter list.

## From the Treasurer's Desk:

By: Brenda Dudderar

As always we want to thank everyone who donates for the upkeep and beautification of our cemetery. Thanks to you our donations continue to cover our expenses.

We had to remove the large holly trees at the main entrance as they had perished. We hope to replace them with new ones this fall.

We will be at the cemetery to receive donations again this Memorial Day weekend. If you would like to help PLEASE let us know. We need your help.

Once again we would like to remind you to place your name on the bottom of your flowers. When they blow off that is the only way we can replace them on the correct stone. Many of them blow all the way to the ditch. They get thrown away as we do not know where they came from. Some of them are still nice. We are having a problem with glass jars. They collect rain water then in the winter, they freeze and burst. This is hazardous. We ask that you not use glass containers unless you plan to remove them quickly.

We rarely give enough praise to those who deserve it. Paul Sullivan, John Rogers, and Jean Hedgepeth work to prepare the newsletter. Jean researches and writes the interesting articles. John makes the address labels and Paul spends many hours collecting and organizing everything to complete the newsletter. Without them, there would be no newsletter. Also, Ray Green keeps our website up to date and makes corrections when needed.

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receive one by email, then that would save us some money. Just send your email address to me: brendas@scrtc.com.

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