

Pearl Webb Cemetery Newsletter

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History & Facts:

By June Burks

Civil War Soldiers

Since the Pearl Webb Cemetery Committee has taken the responsibility of caring for the Gilead Cemetery, we will feature the six Civil War soldiers who are buried there in the next few newsletters.

We will begin with Mr. William H. Renfro as he is an ancestor of two of our board members. He is the great-great-grandfather of Larry Rogers and Brenda Dudderar. Also, he is the great-great-great-grandfather of Teddy Dillard, who helped clean the cemetery and restore many of the broken stones.

Mr. Renfro was a farmer in the community. He was born in Barren County, Kentucky on May 25, 1830 and died February 3, 1887. He was the son of W. H. L. Renfro and Judith Kirby. His father was born in Tennessee and was a school teacher. Mr. Renfro married Elizabeth F. Lawson on May 22, 1853. She was the daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth R. (Witty) Lawson. She outlived Mr. Renfro several years, dying October 6, 1922. They had 12 children: Henrietta Mure (1855), Amelia Melvina (1857), Jonathan Claudia (1859), Charles Richard (1860), Mary Elizabeth (1863), Laura Sherman (1866), James Clarence (1869), Amos Richard (1871), Jesse Logan (1873), Alfred Gordon

(1876), Alice Crit (1879), and Perry Lawson (1883).

One source of information we found said that Amos R. studied pharmacy at the Renfro Drugstore in Munfordville. Does anyone have information on the old drugstore?

Mr. Renfro was a sergeant in the 3rd Kentucky Calvary, Company G, in the Union Army. It was organized at Calhoun, Kentucky in 1861. He was mustered out of service July 15, 1865. This company was in battle at twelve locations—some of them being the Battle of Shiloh, the siege of Corinth, and the battle of Perryville. At one time they joined up with Captain Henry G. Twyman's independent company of scouts. In a report of General Hobson, he mentions Cpt. Twyman's company with great praise in the account of his operation and battle against Morgan.

They mustered out of service in Lexington on July 15, 1865. At this time, Mr. Renfro was due \$100.00 and \$70.99 for clothing allowance. After being mustered out, Mr. Renfro returned home to Hart County to farm and raise his family. By this time, several more of his family had moved to Hart County.



W.H. Renfro's Tombstone

The epitaph on Mr. W.H. Renfro's stone reads: "Tis sweet to gaze upon the sod that wraps thy moldering clay, to think thy spirit rests with God who called it hence away."



Pictured: Eliza F. "Liza" Lawson-Renfro

Civil War Soldiers, Continued

Shedrick Thomas Butler

Shedrick T. Butler served in the Civil War. He was born in 1843 to William and Martha Butler. They were neighbors to the Lawson's and Cowherd's here at Canmer. Mr. Butler also had two brothers who served in the Civil War, James H. and Charles P. Their father was a shoe and boot maker.

Shedrick enlisted for one year on October 25, 1863 in Frankfort, Kentucky. Records show he received \$49.31 allowance for clothing. He was a farmer before entering service, but was listed as a wagon maker while in service. He served in Company A of the 30th Kentucky Infantry, a Private in the Union Army. James H. was also in the 30th, but in Company B.

The 30th Kentucky Infantry originally was to serve as State Troops for the defense of the State Capitol, but later had to participate in battles at



Pictured left to right: Mary E. (Renfro) Bland, Alice Crit (Renfro) Reynolds, & Laura S. (Renfro) Harlan (1st married name) Francis (2nd married name).

Lexington, Cynthiana, Albany, and New Market, Kentucky as well as in some battles in Tennessee and Virginia. They were placed in some locations to try to stop Morgan's Raiders.

It must have been so hard for parents to have three sons in service at the same time.

Shedrick fought his last battle at New Market, Kentucky which is near Lebanon (Marion Co.). He was killed February 8, 1865. His body was brought back to Canmer to be buried in the Old Gilead Cemetery. The family later moved to Green County, Kentucky.

Note: Thanks to Mr. Leight Wilson, Dee Tapp, and Jean Hedgepeth for helping gather information on both of the Civil War Soldiers' articles.



**Photo of:
Shedrick Thomas Butler's Tombstone**

President's Desk:

By: Larry Rogers

As suggested in our last newsletter, several people have purchased corner markers. Also, several people uncovered their corner markers that had

become covered with soil and grass over the years. However, we are sure there are others that need the same, so try to help us with this issue, if you can.

I would also like to suggest, to avoid placing flowers and flower arrangements on the ground of loved ones. We are not saying this is a strong rule, but it causes some problems for the people mowing the grass. Your prudent judgment is appreciated.

Any questions, feel free to contact:

Larry Rogers, Board President
3298 North Jackson Highway
Canmer, KY 42722
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Treasurer's Desk:

By: Brenda Dudderar

Once again you came through with donations to cover the cost of mowing for 2011. The 2012 mowing season is well under way, with 4 mowing's paid thus far. We had a couple of stumps removed and hope to do some manual labor soon. Anyone wishing to work at the cemetery would be greatly appreciated.

We will once again be collecting donations Thursday-Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. This is our main source of income throughout the year. We can always use help, if you can help please contact one of us.

We have had numerous inquiries from descendants who want to sell grave plots. Since they belong to the family, we cannot legally get involved in this matter. At our annual meeting, we discussed this issue. The board decided

that we would accommodate anyone who has plots to sell by publishing their info in the semi-annual newsletter.

Mr. Arthur R. Hatcher emailed wanting to sell some plots. He can be contacted at 1504 Glendale Road Murray, KY 42071 or by calling 270 753-9517.

We have had several more people contact us to be added to the email list for the newsletter. We want to thank you for that, as it saves so much in printing and postage costs. We still mail over 200 newsletters through the USPS.

Peggy Sue and I have been working on the list of those resting at Pearl Webb Cemetery. Believe it or not, we almost have the entire cemetery mapped out and an exact location of where each person is buried. Once this is complete, we hope to have copies available for anyone wanting to purchase a copy. I cannot tell you how many, many hours Peggy Sue has spent working on this project. It has been a monumental task.

We are also in the process of updating the website. We cannot do this by ourselves. The information has to be sent to Ray Green and he adds or deletes information for us. It is a slow process also. Peggy Sue has sent him several updates, but as of this writing they have not been placed on the website.

As always if you know someone who does not receive the newsletter and would like to be added please let us know. If you could receive it by email let us know that also.

Remember to thank our businesses who advertise in the newsletter. Without

them the newsletter would not exist. Winn Funeral Home, not only takes an ad, but sent us a nice donation.

Persons buried at Pearl Webb since the last newsletter:

William Luther "Babe" Lawson
DOB: 8/28/1941 DOD: 12/19/2011

Billy Lee Perkins
DOB: 4/13/1955 DOD: 1/17/2012

David Wayne Devore
DOB: 5/18/1950 DOD: 5/8/2012

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