

In compliance with your request of November 19, 1993: Macedonia Cemetary # 24893

Item 1.: Rev. J. W. McHorse, one of the founders of the Masonic Lodge at Macedonia and owner of a vast amount of land in the area, was a veteran of the Battle of San Jacinto. His second wife, a son and two grandchildren are buried in Macedonia Cemetary. McHorse, himself, however, is interred in the State Cemetary in Austin.

Many, many of those buried here served in the armed forces throughout the years, in various wars. However, most significant to the history of the Macedonia community, are its founding fathers who served in the civil war. They are:

Franklin Cook	J. L. Dean	Harvey Denson
W. M. Foust	Matthew M. Lee	William H. Mullis
Samuel Benton Neely	S. A. Spiars	Fred Tegge
James B. Wright	James Burrell Gunn	

James Burrell Gunn, moved to Granger in 1880 under the alias of James Burrell. Under that alias, he served as deputy sheriff of Williamson County until he was shot and killed in Georgetown in 1892. After his death, the family began to use their true name, Gunn, which they inscribed on his tombstone, although his infant son's stone bears the inscription of Warren N. Burrell. The child died in 1888.

Item 2.: No particular evidence of burials due to major epidemics or natural disasters....nor of large family groups. Infant mortality rates are on a par with other cemeteries of that era, the late 1800s to 1900. Approximately 80 infant deaths are recorded, most occurring from 1880 to 1900. All but 8 of these were babies ranging from 1 day to 2 yrs. old, denoting that birth, itself, and the first two years of life were precarious in that day and time. In perusing that scenario, one is made acutely aware, also, of the perils of childbirth on the young wives of the era.

Item 3.: Yes, the cemetary is still very much in use, and as stated in the narrative, is in pristine condition due to the very active Macedonia Cemetary Association. Lots are available. Anyone wishing to obtain a lot for a specific family may make formal application to the Board of trustees of the association. The Board's approval must be unanimous. No lots may be sold. All gifts from recipients of lots is placed in the endowment fund for perpetual care. The association has very specific rules and regulations as to the care and maintenance of the cemetary, insuring its preservation for all time.

Note: Substantiating data for the above: Land of Good Water by Clara Scarbrough; Minutes of the Macedonia Cemetary Association; Cemetary Records; and Documented records in the possession of the Williamson County Historical Commission, courtesy of Irene Varan, Chair of the Commission.