

## New Mt. Zion Church Cemetery

Sec. 25, T50N, R7W. About one mile south of Martinsburg west side of CoRd #751, north of and adjacent to St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

The church was organized in 1887 and and services were conducted in the school house until the church was built in 1895. Before the church was organized as a Baptist church, services were held at the home of "Uncle" Mose McMurtry, his wife Mary and their three children. This was the first black family to settle in Martinsburg.

This list is derived from canvasses done by Ted Farnen, Dan Farnen and Mrs. Frank S. Paxson in 1976 and additions by Gene Gallagher and some gleaned from newspapers. Not all burial names are marked but it is reasonably certain that all listed are buried here.

"Some years after the church discontinued services, the vacant building was burned by arsonists. The saddest thing is that nothing had been removed from it and antique furniture, bibles and the church's history were destroyed."



**GIBSON**, Melvina

STRICKLAND, R.S. 15 Sep 1875 – 13 Apr 1954 STRICKLAND, Mary wife of R.S. July 20, 1883 – Jan. 11, 1933

NICKENS, William 1882 – 1920

- NICKS, Cora 1862 5 Nov 1917
- MAHANEY, George 1871 1928
- NICKENS, Ed Ward 1865 1882
- PARSONS, Lena 19 June 1886 8 Oct 1950

**BLACK**, Parsons

BLACK, Minnie 15 Apr 1880 – 8 June 1925

BLACK, Imogene Nov 1897 - Nov. 1941

BLACK, Emma 26 Nov 1897 - Nov. 1941

BLACK, Cynthia 8 June 1899 – 14 Feb 1936

SOIL, Jessie 6 July 1880 - 26 Feb 1926

SOIL, Clarence 11 Sep 1882 - 23 Oct 1897

BROWN, John 1857 - 1936

SOIL, Frank 22 Mar 1853 – 22 Dec 1922

BODKINS, Wm. Arthur 30 Aug 1906 - 22 Mar 1907

BODKINS, Lucy Ann 12 Feb 1908 – 15 Jan 1939

BODKINS, W. H. (Horace) 14 Apr 1868 – 17 July 1939

BODKINS, Mary F. 14 Feb 1873 – 19 May 1964

## BODKINS, Zeno Douglas 10 Aug 1911 - 8 Mar 1913

## BODKINS, Mildred Jeanette 14 July 1913 – 16 Aug 1913

- LEE, Hughie 1887 1935
- LEE, Frank 1861 1915 Joseph
- LEE, Lewis died Nov. 21, 1919 (see Martinsburg Monitor Nov. 27, 1919)
- ALLEN, Maymie 1875 1906
- BROWN, Jesse 1881 1885
- KEMP, Bessie R. 14 Feb 1886 15 Feb 1928
- JOHNSON, Robert Lee 1943 1969
- MAHANEY, Barbara N. 1941 1969
- BROWN, Nevada M. 3 Mar 1907 23 Apr 1973
- BROWN, Herman C. 25 June 1900 13 Mar 1971
- BROWN, Anna M. 1868 1942
- KEMP, Jasper Richard Missouri PFC CO D 350 MG BN WWI June 3, 1888–Mar 12, 1969
- HOARD, Robert L. Missouri TEC 4 US ARMY WW II May 17, 1908 Oct. 25, 1968
- HOARD, Bertha E. 22 Aug 1909 23 Mar 2002
- CAVES, Mintie
- HILLARD, Edgar 1952 aged 76 Anna
- WILLIAMS, Irene 1901 1965
- KEMP, Bill
- WILBURN, Henry W. 1879 1966
- BROWN, Harold L. 1904 1941
- SOIL, Hannah 22 Mar 1856 14 Jan 1942
- GRIFFIN, Nellie 9 Mar 1908 8 Mar 1948
- NICKENS, Jesse 1882 1962
- NICKENS, Abram aged 11 died 30 Sep 1884 (typhoid)
- SOIL, Rev. Thomas J. 23 Nov 1883 28 Oct 1966 Married Apr. 25, 1915 SOIL, Stella French 14 Sep 1890 – 16 Jan 1974
- BROOKENS, 1893 1965
- BROOKENS, Eugene 1890 22 Mar 1969
- BROOKENS, Carrie Jackson died Mar. 13, 1965
- BROOKINS, Mrs. Julia 18 Feb 1905 7 Feb 1960

BLACK, Lewis William 1 Aug 1880 - 25 Nov 1974 BLACK, infant Deborah 1952 - 1953 BLACK, Maurice M. 1902 - 1947 JONES, Arbie C. 1878 – 1973 MOORE, John 1865 – Aug. 5 or Aug. 11, 1913 WILLIAMS, Beatrice 7 July 1896 - 7 Jan 1985 WILLIAMS, Mary 1879 - 1965 NICKENS, Presley J. 5 Aug 1886 – 24 Oct 1943 NICKENS, Manuel NICKENS, Sally NICKENS, Henry 31 Jan 1950 **CARTER**, Dora HOCKADAY, Ernest C. Missouri PVT US ARMY WW II Feb. 18, 1928 - Mar. 14, 1973 HOCKADAY, Earnest C. 3 Aug 1892 - 25 Mar 1951 HOCKADAY, Leeoma Apr. 20, 1907 - 7 Feb 1994 GREEN, Isaac 1890 – 1965 GREEN, Effie P. 1886 - 1973 ROSS, Rev. Wm. 1879 - 1941 5th Sunday, Union HENDERSON, Mary I. 1888 – 1959 HENDERSON, Charles 1858-1950 JONES, Harriet Townsley wife of H. Jones 15 May 1846 - 3 Feb 1910 **Illegible inscription** THOMAS, Addie wife of Samuel 9 June 1876 - 10 May 1911 JONES, Harrison 7 Feb 1845 - 7 Apr 1915 WILLIAMS, Eliora 1890 – 1914 CHAMBERS, Virtie 1879 – 1921 WEBSTER, Ethel Three Stones, no inscriptions NICKENS, Henry Jr. 26 Nov 1923 - 16 Apr 1926 2 yr 4 mo 21 da KEMP, John H. 18 Mar 1875 - 9 Sep 1953 **KEMP**, Paul

KEMP, Loraine

## KEMP, Cathy

KEMP, Jewel H. US NAVY WW II 9 Oct 1925 – 19 Jan 1999

- NICKENS, Lucy Jan. 1, 1851 8 Feb 1908
- WILLIAMS, Henrietta
- NICKENS, Mary Willie 13 Nov 1905 27 Sep 1982
- NICKENS, Elmer Sr. 18 Oct 1898 6 Feb 1979
- NICKENS, Pearl L. 27 Oct 1880 13 May 1968