



Frankford Cemetery Association News

May 2022



Mission Statement

Frankford Cemetery Association's mission is to preserve and maintain the historic Frankford Cemetery and "Wagon Yard" which are part of the Frankford site in far north Dallas. The Association is aware of the unique historic significance of Frankford Cemetery and the Wagon Yard, and want to maintain them in a way that preserves their historic integrity. Frankford today is what remains of a tiny pioneer community which was an important crossroad on the Shawnee Trail.

Decoration Day is Sunday, May 15, 2022

Decoration Day Schedule

- 1:00 Lunch served
- 2:00 Program and business meeting in Frankford Church
- Roll of Remembrance
- Hymn sing

RSVP for dinner on the grounds. We will gather outside the historic Frankford church for chicken with "the fixins" from Babe's. To reserve your meal, please email info@frankfordcemetery.org or contact Paula Noell at 254-396-1154 with the number in your party. Reservations will be accepted for the first 75 people. Please RSVP by May 10. (In the case of inclement weather, we will eat indoors in the Church of the Holy Communion fellowship hall)

In memorium

Marjorie Tindell Hansen

December 9, 1935 - June 23, 2021

Elizabeth (Cookie) Kemp

July 22, 1921 - June 27, 2021

buried on July 22 - her 100th birthday!

Freda Nance

May 30, 1932 - November 20, 2021

We extend our sincere condolences to the families of these Frankford Community members now laid to rest in the cemetery.



Gone but not forgotten are these for whom this year marks an anniversary of their passing.

150 years ago

1829-1872 LTC John Taylor Coit, EARLIEST MARKED GRAVE

125 years ago

1851-1897 Joseph Allen Armstrong
1896-1897 William Felix "Eli" Williams
1842-1897 Emma Beardsel Miers
1894-1897 Ola P. Reynolds
1870-1897 Robert R. Montgomery

100 years ago

1916-1922 Dorothy Dugger
1922-1922 Joe Oliver Montgomery
1842-1922 Ann Palmer Cudd Nance
1872-1922 Margaret Jane Huffman Webb

75 years ago

1892-1947 Oliver Ivy Baccus
1889-1947 George W. Boatwright
1924-1947 Willie Mae Haynes Brisendine
1880-1947 Charles A. Montgomery
1947-1947 Gena Nance
1898-1947 Frank E. Williams
1907-1947 Reece Lee Wolfe

50 years ago

1895-1972 Della Elizabeth Hill Clark
1933-1972 Oliver T. Dunlap
1902-1972 George A Mitchell
1893-1972 Jacob Blass Vinson

25 years ago

1928-1997 Joe Lee Alexander
1940-1997 Gary Ralph Anderson
1928-1997 William Bittner
1911-1997 Vivian Grace Seabolt Eaton
1912-1997 Harold A. Gregory
1923-1997 John L. Hughes
1922-1997 Gloria Jane Warner Johnson
1911-1997 Marion Ruth Kirkham
1920-1997 William Richard Kirkham
1984-1997 Cole Joshua McGee
1915-1997 Adelaide Albaugh Noell
1916-1997 Anna Faye Buchanan Scudder
1941-1997 Kenneth Allen Westerlin



Planning ahead for your Lot

If you are a person who holds the right of sepulture (burial) to a lot or spaces at Frankford, please plan for the future by deciding who will follow you in that capacity. Send the Credentials Committee written notification of your choice so that it might be entered into the records for ease of transition. If you need assistance with getting your rights ownership verification in order, they can be contacted through info@frankfordcemetery.org or mail delivery to Frankford Cemetery Association PO Box 115 Van Alstyne, Texas 75495.

Projects of Interest from Past Year

- Updated www.frankfordcemetery.org with burial directory for ease in searching.
- Repaired, cleaned, and restored eleven monuments which were damaged

How to support Frankford with your Financial Gifts

All donations intended to support Frankford Cemetery should be made to the Frankford Preservation Foundation. It is now the general policy for Frankford Cemetery Association to not accept financial gifts.

This policy will help in the financial support of the entire historic Frankford site. This includes the historic Frankford Church, Native Blackland Prairie and Indian Springs, in addition to our historic Cemetery.

For more information about Frankford Preservation Foundation and giving, visit <https://frankfordpreservationfoundation.org/>

Cemetery Courtesy and Protocol

On Decoration Day weekend many Frankford families will visit the cemetery to place flower arrangements, fresh cut flowers, and/or potted plants on the graves of loved ones. With just one main access into the cemetery (the concrete drive in the middle) it is easy for vehicles to get wedged in between other vehicles and unable to exit the cemetery. To avoid this frustrating situation the board asks everyone decorating graves or visiting the cemetery during Decoration Day to follow this protocol: Please park outside the cemetery if at all possible. If you must park on the drive in the middle of the cemetery, please no more than two vehicles on the drive at a time. Be alert to the need to back out your vehicle if the person in front of you is ready to leave. Please no vehicles on the cemetery grounds (other than the concrete drive). Funeral home vehicles are the only vehicles allowed on the cemetery grounds. Thank you for your cooperation.

Board of Directors Election

This year's Nominating Committee of FCA member Linda Irwin and FCA Board Secretary Sandy Greyson recommend the following individuals for Board of Director terms ending in 2025.

Sarah Macias



As the daughter of John and Frances Wells, Sarah has warm memories of attending Decoration Day events from early childhood. She has four lines of ancestors at Frankford (Wells, McClary, Dickerson, and Bishop) with the earliest burial being that of Lydia McElroy Bishop in 1880. Sarah has served as President of Frankford Cemetery Association since November 2019 and is glad to continue on the Board for another term, if re-elected. She and her husband Rodney live on Sister Grove Farm in Van Alstyne.

Meredith has always been a lover of history and preservation. She feels especially passionate about conserving the history of our special cemetery as her great great great grandparents settled in the area in the 1840s. Meredith graduated cum laude with her accounting degree from Ouachita Baptist University in 2017 where she worked in public accounting for four years, specializing in nonprofit GAAP, before she made the transition to work at a tech startup 6 months ago. She is excited to use the skills she gained working with nonprofits and on the finance committee to ensure a bright future for FCA.

Meredith Ellis



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If you are unable to attend the annual business meeting on Decoration Day, May 15, you may wish to have someone else vote for you. If so, please complete the Proxy Form included at the end of this newsletter and have your proxy present it at the annual meeting.

Thank you to our current FCA Board of Directors who volunteer so much of their time in the management and care of this sacred space and historic cemetery.

Term 2024	Paula Noell
Term 2024	Kathleen McKamy Johnson
Term 2023	Mark Jaudes
Term 2023	Sandy Greyson, Secretary
Term 2023	Wayne Lewis, Vice President
Term 2022	Ginger Harrington Ellis, Treasurer
Term 2022	Sarah Wells Macias, President

PROXY

I, the undersigned member of Frankford Cemetery Association, do hereby appoint _____
_____ as my Attorney-In-Fact to represent and to vote on any and all business to come
before the Business meeting of Frankford Cemetery
Association on May 15, 2022, or any adjournments thereto.

Member's Signature

Date

Address

Telephone Number