

# Written In Stone

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## **Milledgeville Cemetery ~ Part II**

Milledgeville Cemetery is the final resting place of many of the church family of Milledgeville AME Zion Church, located on CR 19 just off CR 22. Many of the family names you will find interred here in this cemetery were long-time members of the church and surrounding community. Names like Elliot, Floyd, Fluker, Hawthorne, Ingram, Jones, Kyser, Watts and Webb are just a few of those found buried in the cemetery situated above I-65.

Last week, I reported that the oldest marked grave belonged to a John Salter who died in 1897. Looking back through my notes however, I discovered a David Lee, Sr. who was born in 1860 and died in 1891. There are many unmarked, much older-looking graves dotted throughout the cemetery, so there may be earlier interments that we have little information on.

A pastor and educator, prominent family member, Mr. John W. Floyd, served as principal of my alma mater, Evergreen High School, passed away in 2002 and he's buried in his family plot there at Milledgeville. His epitaph reads in part "...oh that I had wings like a dove! For then, I would fly away and be at rest!" Some interesting headstones are located here, with sweet epitaphs and elaborate etched stones signifying the love of those left behind.

The P.A. Webb family first appeared in Conecuh County in the early 1900's, traveling here from Lowndes County, where they created a home in the Owassa area, working, attending schools and churches in the community, at the same time creating a legacy for their descendants. Their descendants include the Presley and Fluker families today.

This cemetery is fairly maintained, though there are many sunken, collapsing graves that need attention. For more information about this cemetery, the families interred here and in other cemeteries in the Conecuh area, please visit the genealogical section of the library.