

## DIRECTIONS TO FAMILY CEMETERIES

(Starting point: Mansfield)

### NOLES (KNOWLES) CEMETERY

Go south on Highway 11 through Mansfield. Travel 8 miles, go past country store and taxidermy. Turn left on Shepherd Road. Go 1.8 miles to right on Clybel Road. Go .1 mile to cemetery on right side of road. There is a field on left of cemetery, which is in a grove of cedar trees. The gravesite is quite overgrown and has fallen trees. There is one grave that is marked off with stones all around it and hand-engraved lettering: "M. Noles, Born Mar 5, 1810—Died June 25, 1872." This is Morris Noles, father of Alfred Perry (Dick) Noles, who was Odessa Kelly's father. He is also buried here. There are many other graves marked with stones. John Herschel Kelly's home was across the road on left.

### JOHN WESLEY COOK CEMETERY

Turn around and go back to Shepherd Road. Turn right onto Shepherd Road and then right again onto Shepherd Pond Road. You will pass Shepherd Pond on left. Continue on Shepherd Pond Road until it dead ends into Murder Creek Road. (There is no sign there at time of writing) Go approximately one mile. Just past a grove of pine trees and hunting cabins or tents, you will see two big oak trees very close to the road. There is a logging road between the oak trees and an iron gate in front. Walk approximately 160 yards up the logging road to the cemetery on left. You will also see the remaining tin roof of the John Wesley Cook house (unless it has been removed!) The cemetery is approximately 45 feet off logging road to the left. There should be orange tape marking the surrounding area. It is believed that Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Cook, Sr., their daughter Tabitha, Mr. & Mrs. John Wesley Cook, Jr., and John Herschel Kelly's infant son Paul and perhaps one other baby are buried here.

### ROBINSON CEMETERY

Continue right on Murder Creek Road. Turn right on Aldridge Road. Go 1.6 miles to cemetery on left of road. This is near the end of Aldridge Road. There is a wrought iron fence around the cemetery. John Herschel Kelly's grandparents' John L. Robinson and Sara Cornelia Smith Robinson are buried here.

### ALLEN KELLY CEMETERY

Continue on Aldridge Road and turn left onto Liberty Church Road. Go 1.8 miles past Walker Brock's (brick home on hill on left), past Smith Brock Road on right, past white house in curve and onto the next house in curve. The cemetery is on the left in a pasture and close to a barn. There is a drive and gate in front of and to the right of the cemetery. An iron fence surrounds the cemetery. The markers are modern and were erected in 1959 by E. Harvey Kelly, who at one time lived on the property. Allen (son of Jacob Kelly) and Polly R. Kelly are buried here (John Herschel Kelly's great grandparents). See photo on next page.

### JOHN RIGGINS KELLY CEMETERY

Turn around and go opposite direction on Liberty Church Road. Go .8 mile. On the left is a private drive that leads through a gate (usually open) and past a dog kennel on left and a pond on the right. The property belongs to Tom Gay who owns a construction business in Atlanta. Continue to the right, then straight, then stay to the right and the cemetery is immediately on left in a grove of cedar trees. It is exactly ½ mile from the barn and dog kennel. There are two tall headstones. John Riggins and Rebecca Ann Whitten Smith Kelly (John Herschel Kelly's grandparents) and Oscar P. Kelly and Ossia P. Kelly (twin children of Erbin Herschel and Anna Robinson Kelly) are buried here. There are four other unmarked graves that appear to be children's graves. See photos on next page.

### PROSPECT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CEMETERY

When you leave the previous cemetery, turn left onto Liberty Church Road. It will dead end into Highway 11. Turn right onto Highway 11 and travel approximately three miles. Turn left on Barnes Mountain Road (just past where you turned left onto Shepherd Road when you started this tour coming the opposite way on Highway 11). The church is on the right. Erbin Herschel and Anna Robinson Kelly (John Herschel Kelly's parents) are buried here. Sidney and Lottie Kelly; Alva Ralph Kelly; Julian and Mattie Clyde Gaston Kelly and son, Charles Herschel Kelly; William Champ and Inis Cook Kelly and son, Champ Seals Kelly are buried here. (Sidney, Alva, Julian, and Champ were John Herschel Kelly's brothers.) John Herschel and Dotsy (Georgianna) Cook Kelly are buried here. Ralph Herschel and Carmie Riggins Kelly; D. Leon and Vallie Kitchens Kelly and daughter Martha Ann Kelly; George and Cornelia Kelly Lewis, daughter Emma George Lewis, and grandchildren Vickie Marie Lewis and Jeffery Alan Lewis are buried here. (Ralph, Leon, and Cornelia are John Herschel Kelly's children.)