

# Shields Cemetery

## Ohio County, KY

Turn east off of Highway 231 at first lane south of Cromwell; lane leads to cemetery. Jerry Long, Owensboro, KY, copied the cemetery on 7 May 1988. Numerous fieldstones & signs of unmarked graves.

Allen, Arnet B.	1902	1932
Era T.	1901	
Bratcher, Annie Mae (Mother)	23 Aug 1902	16 Sep 1970
Burden, Elvis	1880	1931
Lizzie	1882	1928
Burden, Fannie [funeral home marker; one date: 1909]		
Burden, Jessie	1882	1930
Nath	1877	1947
Burriss, Rebecca Ann	9 Dec 1874	2 Jun 1966
Burton, Mary K. (w/o Thomas)	10 Apr 1849	29 Apr 1906
J. H. (s/o T. & M.)	12 Nov 1884	5 Jun 1911
Burton, W. H. (s/o T. & M. C.)	12 Jun 1872	29 May 1892
Burton, Eddie (s/o T. & M. C.)	12 Jul 1891	25 Aug 1891
Burton, Effie S. (d/o T. & M. C.)	11 Feb 1889	13 Jul 1889
Daniel, James W.	18 Oct 1831	26 Mar 1898
Daniel, Nancey A. (w/o G. M.)	12 Nov 1812	17 Jun 1882
Daniel, G. M.	15 Nov 1806	6 Oct 1877
Daniel, A. C.		no dates
Elizabeth		no dates
3 sons of A. C. & Elizabeth		no dates
Davis, Minnie (w/o E. D.)	6 Dec 1881	31 Aug 1903
Davis, Eva J.	1891	1975
Davis, Hobart (husband of Floy)	1900	1964
Davis, J. G.	4 Jan 1862	29 Dec 1936
Margaret E.	12 Oct 1865	22 Dec 1936
Davis, Mary B.	13 Sep 1896	2 Oct 1896
Davis, William O.	9 Feb 1888	29 Aug 1888
Douglas, Robert D.	1856	1937
Mary Shields	1857	1920
Douglas, Joe Charlie	11 Jul 1885	28 Feb 1950
Douglas, W. M.	1868	1939
Douglass, Sergt. Geo. F. (Co D 12 KY Cav)		no dates
Drake, Robert (s/o J. A. & Eliza)	19 Dec 1881	9 Jul 1883
Drake, E. C.	25 Jul 1896	19 Dec 1970
Drake, J. A.	20 Jun 1853	23 Jun 1923
E. J.	18 Jan 1857	12 Sep 1931
Drane, Leo		30 Apr 1928

Fogle, Idella (w/o W. C.)	3 Apr 1889	5 Mar 1948
Gilstrap, Lucinda C. (w/o P. W.)	28 Nov 1848	18 Aug 1900
Gilstrap, P. W.	7 Jan 1846	11 Feb 1907
Jones, Willie	born & died	29 Apr 1912
Jeneva L.	11 Oct 1916	17 May 1921
Millard	born & died	15 May 1921
Earnisteen	born & died	11 Oct 1916
Jones, W. P.	7 Oct 1881	14 Aug 1925
Linnie	17 May 1879	28 Mar 1961
Jones, Pal T. (Pvt US Army World War II)	16 Feb 1908	7 Aug 1985
Kitchens, A. L.	14 Feb 1866	18 Mar 1941
Darcus	15 Apr 1876	
Raines, Wilbur	15 Jun 1861	10 Sep 1895
Rains, N. J. (Mother) [nee Nancy Jane Daniel]	30 Oct 1841	18 Sep 1911
G. W. (Father)	18 Mar 1837	30 Sep 1907
Renfrow, Leonard W.	1891	1950
Ruby O.	1900	1966
Renfrow, Silas (Father)	15 May 1861	24 Feb 1923
Lenara A. (Mother)	22 Oct 1865	3 Feb 1936
Shields, Wm. Estill	1889	1974
Dora H.	1896	1977
Shields, Commilla (d/o Estill & Dora)	8 Dec 1912	18 Dec 1912
Shields, Wauneta (d/o Estill & Dora)	26 Oct 1911	12 Feb 1912
Shields, Mary A.	1886	1962
Shields, Louella G.	1867	1960
Shields, Wm. H.	1867	1939
Shields, Jane (w/o T. O.)	18 Jul 1875	15 Dec 1895
Shields, Albert		8 Sep 1938
Shields, Pvt. James B. (Killed in action at Wiltz, Luxembourg; Co C 249th Engr Combat Bn)	1 Apr 1925	25 Jan 1945
Shields, Birch	28 May 1891	26 Dec 1943
Lee	3 Nov 1899	
Shields, Rosa May (Our Darling)		23 Jun 1898
Shields, J. P. (Father)	1853	1921
Eliza J. (Mother)	1863	
Shields, Oscar (Co B 605 NGS)	1896	1933
Shields, Anna E.	1889	1937
Shields, Mandy Jane (d/o B. J. & Agness)	4 Mar 1874	10 Feb 1875
Shields, W. S.	20 Jan 1894	30 Jan 1894
Shields, Leslie (s/o L. R. & Corda; a soldier boy died at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.)	25 Apr 1895	2 Nov 1918
Shields, L. R.	7 Jul 1860	13 Sep 1929
C. A.	9 Apr 1870	17 Aug 1934
Sorreles, Alice (w/o R. P.)	10 Nov 1859	18 Aug 1914
Watt, Lee (sons: Cecil & Jesse)	2 Oct 1891	17 Mar 1965
Watt, Isabell C. (w/o P. C.)	22 Feb 1852	9 May 1916

Wilson, Nancy  
Wilson, Joseph C.

15 Jun 1858  
16 Nov 1849

11 Feb 1935  
23 Feb 1898

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Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY  
Wednesday, 18 September 1912 p4:

**A Reunion of the Shields Family.**

On Saturday, Sept. 14, three generations of this family met at the Shields burying grounds near Cromwell. Several came very early in the day for the purpose of cleaning off the burying grounds and after they had worked until about 11 o'clock, the assembly of possibly 200 people were called together for the purpose of having divine services. They assembled near the center of the cemetery, where the first person was buried 81 years ago.

Rev. Birch Shields, of Rockport, of the 3d generation from the first person buried there, after some appropriate songs were sung, preached a sermon from Acts, 26:8, "The Resurrection of the Body," after which a hearty old time handshaking was had in memory of the silent dead. Then the congregation assembled just outside of the burying ground, where a splendid dinner was served and after all had eaten, there was quite an amount of good things left to be taken home. Not more than one-half of the Shields generation were present, as they are scattered over two or three counties and States.

There have been some 85 or more persons buried in this burying ground since 1831, when the first was buried there. May the blessings of God rest upon the survivors of this pioneer family and may they long remember this reunion service and renewing of family ties.

ONE PRESENT.

Rev. Birch Shields (1869-1934), his father, James William Shields (1835-1898), and his grandfather, William Carroll Shields (1804-1885), all have tombstones at the Green River Baptist Church Cemetery, which is a short distance from the Shields family cemetery. Birch Shields' great-grandfather, William Shields (1780-1840) married Margaret Henderson, 2 March 1801 in Mercer County, KY. William is listed in the 1820 & 1830 censuses of Mercer County, KY and 1840 census of Ohio County, KY.

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY  
Wednesday, 15 April 1885 p3  
William Carroll Shields (1804-1885):

**SHIELDS—Died at his home near Cromwell, Saturday April 11th 1885, Wm. Shields. Mr. Shields was one of the oldest and most respected citizens of that vicinity.**

Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY  
Wednesday, 26 October 1898 p4  
James William Shields (1835-1898):

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**Obituary.**

CROMWELL, KY, Oct. 18, 1898.

James W. Shields departed this life September 29th, 1898. He was the son of Wm. C. Shields, who settled in this county in the early part of the present century. He was born January 12th, 1835, and was nearly 64 years of age. Though not an old man in years he had been in very feeble health for some time and was a great sufferer, but like Job of old, he bore his afflictions without a murmur, leaving his friends the

assurance that he would live again in a better world than this.

He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Matilda Cochran. She bore three children two died when small. One, Mrs. Meda Wise, still lives and resides in Black Rock, Ark. His second marriage was to Miss M. E. Daniel. To them were born seven children two died in infancy. Five still lives and were at his bedside in his last illness. He professed faith in Christ in 1854 and joined the Green River Baptist church. He was laid to rest in the presence of a large crowd of neighbors and sorrowing friends. His funeral was preached by the Rev. N. C. Robinson at Green river church on the evening of the 30th of September.

Soft and safe to you, my father, be the earthly bed wherein we have laid you. Bright and glorious be thy rising from it; fragrant be the flowers which here shall flourish; though the cold blasts of autumn may lay them in the dust and for a time destroy their loveliness, yet the destruction is not final and in the springtime they shall surely bloom again. So in the bright morning of the world's resurrection may your mortal frame now laid in the dust spring again into newness of life and expand into immortal beauty in the realms beyond the skies. Until then, dear father, until then, farewell. Your son, B. S.

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