

### March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 update: we are accepting orders for the Old Union Cemetery Book.

Hello to everyone who maintains an interest in Old Union Cemetery, Doctor's Fork Baptist Church, the Harmon Pipes Gray Family Association and the history of the pioneer, ancestral families who lived around the old church in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century.

At the 2016 Family Association Reunion we discussed ways to raise funds to support the ongoing maintenance of the grounds and the stone markers in the old cemetery. A suggestion was made that a book be produced that would document the history of the church, the ancestors buried there and provide an inventory of who is buried there and also the history of the Family Association.

So this update article is a preview of the contents of the book and hopefully it will encourage you to purchase a copy for yourself and to encourage others to purchase one as well. They will make great gifts and children and grandchildren will surely need copies too. Our only advertising and sales venue will be word of mouth, social media and email. I may also be able to get an article in the Advocate Messenger about it. **But we will absolutely need your help in selling the books.**

The book will be 186 pages and has about 250 pictures, maps, graphics and tables. I am going to front the cost of printing and shipping the books to my house and to you, the customer. My order to the printer will be for 50 books at a time and our goal is to sell 200 copies. All proceeds after paying the printing and shipping costs will go to the Harmon Pipes Gray Family Association. Orders for the book will be through me for now and it will not be for sale on Amazon or anywhere commercially. We may release it to commercial distribution after the 200 copies are sold but profit from commercial sales is very small.

The first 200 copies of the book will be a special numbered first edition signed by the author. I will be placing the first order for 50 copies next week and they should be here about the middle of March for shipping to you. I already have reservations (and some payments) for 30 of the first 50 copies. When those are sold, I will order 50 more.

The selling price of each book will be 40 dollars. It will be a full color, hardcover, case bound book. Half of the price will cover printing and shipping costs, the remaining half will go to the Family Association. Please remember that the primary purpose of the book is to raise funds for the HPG Family Association. The secondary purpose is to preserve the history of the old church and cemetery and our ancestors.

The pages that follow are NEW random pages from the book and I will tell you that there are some surprises in it as well. One of the surprises is the paintings by RW Rawlings like the one on the next page. We found out about the paintings and received permission to use them in the book from Mr. Rawlings' son, who is a minister in Nicholasville and of course we have permission from the owners of the paintings. Pictures of the old church building and the cemetery have been very difficult to find but we do have a couple of them. We also have an excellent well researched article about the Civil War and its impact on the church and surrounding area by my son Jason Pipes. Also included are transcriptions of deeds, quotes, and wills etc., to document the early history of the Church.

What is in the book? The Table of Contents is on the next page.

This book will in time become a rarity and a collector's item. Please spread the word and encourage others to purchase a copy. 200 copies does not sound like very many but it will take considerable effort to achieve that.

The return to the Family Association will be several thousand dollars. (You can do the math, this article is like a word problem from math class.) I will be sharing a financial statement with the HPG Family Association Officers and will gladly share it with anyone interested.

Thank You to Peggy Edgington for sending this out to everyone. We will be accepting checks or PayPal for payment. I will need shipping addresses with payment.

If you have questions or inquiries you may contact me via email at [pipesb@pipesfamily.com](mailto:pipesb@pipesfamily.com). My cell phone is 414-442-5952. If you are calling me by phone please call after 4 pm EST because I work during week days.

This article will also be posted on my website [www.pipesfamily.com](http://www.pipesfamily.com)

Bob Pipes, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

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# *Old Union Cemetery*

## *Doctor's Fork Baptist Church*



**ROBERT JOHN PIPES**





The picture above is a photograph of an original oil painting by R. W. Rawlings. Mr. Rawlings was a local farmer who took up oil painting in the 1960s. He painted scenes in and around Boyle, Marion and Washington Counties that picqued his interest. His work was applauded and considered true folk art. We do not know the entire story behind this particular painting but at some point in the 1960s it came into the ownership of Nelson Powell. It has been displayed in the home of his daughter Mary Stewart (Powell) Guerrant for many years now.

This photo of the painting is displayed with the permission of Reverend Robert Rawlings, a son of the artist. Thank You to Mary Guerrant and her daughter Mary Rall for allowing us to photograph the painting.

# DEDICATION

Dedicated to the memory  
of John Lee “Jackie” Sheperson  
(1924-2009)

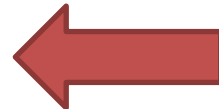
## ON THE COVER

During our research for this book we found it very rare to uncover photos of the old church building before it was torn down. They may be out there but people were not willing to share or unaware that we needed them. We did find that local artist Robert W. ‘RW’ Rawlings had made three paintings of the church and the cemetery. Two of them are represented here via photocopy of the original paintings. The first one is on the cover of the book and is owned by the Doctor’s Fork Baptist Church, the second is a few pages ahead and belongs to Mary Guerrant. We received permission to put them here from Mr. Rawling’s son, Reverend Robert Rawlings of Nicholasville, Kentucky. They add so much to the book and are wonderful renderings of the old church. Thank You to Mike Crain and Denny Cocanougher for helping us secure this picture.



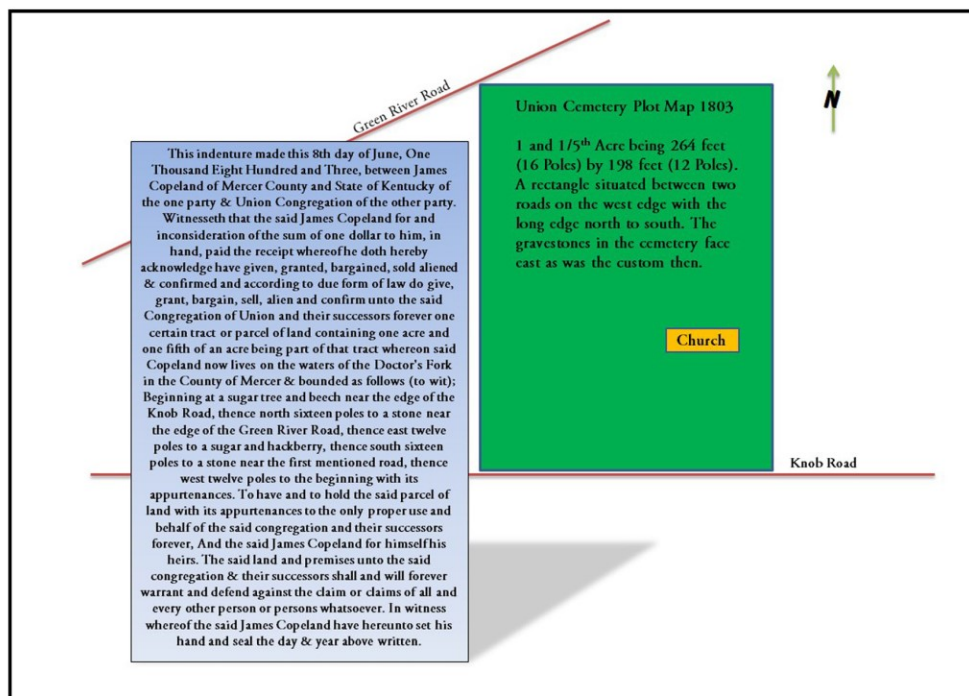
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This Is Copy \_\_\_\_\_ Of 200 Copies  
Of This Limited First Edition  
For Supporters Of The  
Harmon Pipes Gray Family Association



## The Church History

Although the Copeland property passed on to several others over the years, there were always included in the deeds a set aside for the church property. As we will see later, the property changed hands several times.



*Union Cemetery Plot Map and the Deed granted by James Copeland*

It is very interesting to see that the deed provides proof that the road used to run south of the cemetery and was called Knob Road and that the road from Perryville to Lebanon was called the Green River Road. They were only 264 feet apart at that point. (A larger copy of the graphic above is in the appendix.)

[The original Prebyterian group and the building were named "Union" and the building became 'Union Meeting House' in references made of it. The original building was quite basic and small and built as an ancient stiled structure. It has to be important to mention that the word "old" has become permanently attached to the word "Union" in our subject church and to this day the cemetery is referred to as Old Union Cemetery. The word 'old' is not a reference to its age but refers to a split among the faithful of the Presbyterian Church in the early 1800s over an article of faith named predestination and others. Presbyterianism is based on the writings and beliefs of Englishman John Calvin who maintained that predestination was a factual part of faith. The congregants did not all follow or accept that concept. The persons who did not believe left the church and formed the Cumberland sect of the faith and those that remained were then labeled as "old" Presbyterians, who followed the original "old" Calvinist teachings. James Copeland and his son John Copeland were said to be "old" Presbyterians and so the word 'old' has remained with the name 'Union'.]

### THE BAPTISTS ARE INVITED TO SHARE THE UNION MEETING HOUSE.

The Presbyterian congregation at Union, in July of 1805 invited the Doctor's Fork Baptist Congregation to share the Union Meeting House with them, and the Baptists, after consideration, agreed to use the building "one day". (The term 'one day' is used in the history of the Baptist congregation and I suppose that meant one day per month.)



## The Church History



The Sons of the American Revolution, Lexington, honored the memory of Capt. John Pipes, Revolutionary War Soldier, at ceremonies at Old Union Cemetery in Boyle County last Sunday [August of 1961]. Shown in the picture at the exercises, which were held after a reunion of the Pipes, Gray, and Harmon Families, are from the left; Mrs. Walter Harmon and Levi A. Harmon, both of Perryville; Mrs. J[ames]. E. Pipes, Dayton, Ohio; and Charles B. Pipes and his son, William B., both of Lexington.

### **Marker Placed at Grave of Revolutionary War Soldier**

*[Transcribed from an article in the Danville Advocate Messenger]*

The Lafayette Chapter of the Kentucky Society of Sons of the American Revolution placed an official marker at the grave of Revolutionary War Soldier, Capt. John Pipes, on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Capt. Pipes is buried in Old Union Cemetery near Gravel Switch, in Boyle County, Kentucky and served in the Army with George Washington. Following the reunion of the three local families of Capt. John Pipes, John Gray and Michael Harmon at Perryville Battlefield State Park, the marker placing ceremonies took place.

Robert Featherstone of the Lexington chapter of S. A. R. opened the program by placing the American Flag of the original arrow shaped headstone of Captain Pipes. Mr. Featherstone then introduced compatriot W. A. Wentworth of the S. A. R. and also president of the Kentucky Historical Society, who made the presentation of the marker.



## The Cemetery

### George Washington Pipes and Mariah M. Edwards

George was a grandson of John Pipes Jr. and John Gray, Mariah was a descendant of the Whitehouse, Edwards and Sparrow Families. They had seven children. George and Mariah owned the original Pipes property after his parents passed and had their own home just east of the cemetery. It still stands there.



#### Their Children

William Hyatt m. Sally Prewitt  
 Mastin Lee m. Bettie Butts  
 John Florence m. Gay Heber Broyles  
 James Edwards m. Kelly Bradford  
 Ada Pearl m. Perry F. Cox  
 Lula Mae m. Eugene Lee Carpenter  
 Susie m. Callon Tharp



*The original House - early 1900s  
 and the house today above*



## The Cemetery

### Rice Harrison "RH" Harmon and Nancy Elizabeth "Bettie" (Gray) Harmon



Rice H. and Bettie Gray Harmon lived on a farm just across the road from the cemetery and that is where this picture was taken. We say Thank You to Mary Rall and her mom, Mary (Powell) Guerrant who are descendants of Mamie Harmon and Clarence Powell for aharing this great picture.

All 4 of RH and Bettie's parents are in Old Union Cemetery but none of their children. His parents were Peter Harmon and Jane Pipes Harmon, her parents were Archa Gray and Martha Montgomery Gray.

[There are 2 mistakes in the names in the picture (my mistakes). Etta May Crain's first name is spelled 'Etts'. Mamie Harmon is standing behind Clarence Powell and is labeled as 'Maggie'.]

Children of RH and Bettie Harmon	
Archie G. Harmon	married Elizabeth Ella Harmon
Isaac Peter Harmon	married Hanna Helm
Minerva Jane Harmon	married John Davis Catlin
Levi Allen Harmon	Married Etta May Crane
Anna "Annie" Harmon	married Samuel Henry Harmon
John Brisco Harmon	married Margaret Camp
Mamie Harmon	married Clarence Elbert Powell
Margaret Harmon	married Theodore Harris





## The Old Union Cemetery

Pictures taken in Mid-August, 1984





## The Old Union Cemetery

### A NEW STONE FOR JOHN PIPES AND MARY MORRIS

In 2007 I received a visit in Milwaukee from two of my distant cousins in the Pipes family. The purpose of their visit was to discuss a new memorial stone for John Pipes and Mary Morris in Old Union Cemetery. Tara Harl and her father Basil Harl spent about two hours convincing me that we could raise the necessary funds for a new stone by using my extensive email list of Pipes family descendants and by effective messaging to a willing and generous audience. I was doubtful but agreed to take on the task of raising the funds. I was pleasantly surprised when it took less than 12 months to raise almost \$1800.00. The descendants of John and Mary were eager to give for such a great cause. Robbie Mayes introduced us to Mike Wilder of the Wilder Monument Company in Perryville and we agreed to have his company manufacture and install the new memorial stone. The stone was installed in December 2007. The old stones were fading fast and barely readable. Our gratitude to the many generous donors.



#### Donors List

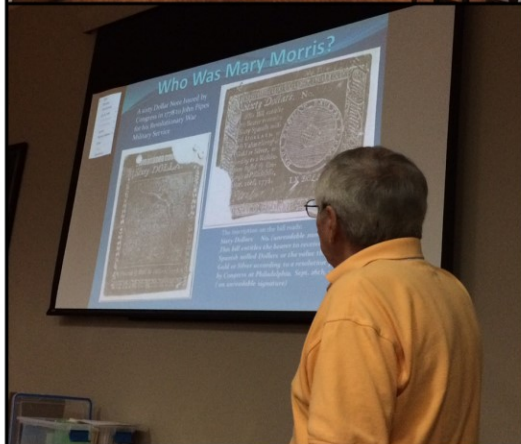
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Jim Pipes  
Trish (Butts) Pipes  
David Pipes  
Jeffery Pipes  
Marinda (Pipes) Bensinger  
Kenneth Pipes  
Robert Pipes  
Jason Pipes  
Taylor Pipes  
Travis Pipes  
Mary Guerrant  
Royce Pipes  
Connie Taylor  
Jan Shultz  
Henry Jones  
Judy Miller  
Fred Cox





## The Old Union Cemetery

In 2016 a special one time "Reunion Within The Reunion" was held. Descendants of Obediah Brumfield Pipes and his wife Josephine Edwards and their nine children held a luncheon and a trip to the cemetery on the Saturday before the regular family association reunion on Sunday. About 25 Pipes cousins met at a local restaurant for lunch and a presentation about the history of John Pipes Jr and his wife Mary Morris. Books authored by various cousins were available and old acquaintances were renewed. Those in attendance came from Arizona, Florida, Michigan, N. Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee and Ohio.



*2016 Reunion Kathy & George Russell,  
William Pipes, Jerry Pipes, Mary Worley,  
Howard Russell, Jason Pipes*



*Jerry, Bob & Jason Pipes*



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### Reunion Held Want Cemetery to Be Historic Site

Members of the Harmon-Pipes-Gray Family Association Inc., who attended the annual family reunion at Doctor's Fork Baptist Church Aug. 8, heard about plans and hopes for making the Old Union Cemetery on U.S. Route 68 (Lebanon Rd.), southwest of Perryville, a historic site.

Cecil L. Pipes of Piqua, Ohio, newly-elected president of the association, is a prime mover in the plan to have the cemetery, which is not in good condition, renovated and then hopefully designated as a historic site. Other officers elected Aug. 8 at the reunion, attended by approximately 50 persons, were J.O. Tucker of Perryville, vice president; Mrs. Elizabeth H. Tucker, Perryville, secretary; Nelson Powell, Parksville, treasurer; Miss Ethel McGraw, Perryville, recorder and William Harmon of Bellevue, Charles Pipes of Lexington, Allen Powell of Danville and James W. Cox of Louisville, trustees.

One of the first steps to be taken in plans for improving the cemetery is to have Miss McGraw, librarian at Boyle Elementary School and recorder for the family association, make a plat of the cemetery and list the names and location of all persons buried there. Among the graves is that of Capt. John Pipes, a Revolutionary soldier.

It also is planned, Cecil L. Pipes said, to have the tombstones straightened and repaired, remove the old church and have the area fenced. Improvements to the road to the cemetery already have been requested and money is being raised for the restoration.

Mr. Pipes said The Old Bank of Perryville is acting as depository for funds for the cemetery and several persons have donated already or are providing bequests in their wills to help maintain the cemetery. Once the cemetery is designated as a national shrine, it is anticipated that other organizations will assist in putting in walkways and shrubbery.

#### VISIT CEMETERY

Following the dinner and business meeting at Doctor's Fork Church Aug. 8, family members went to the cemetery. Among those present for the reunion were Mrs. Elizabeth Ellsberry of Chillicothe, Mo., and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.W. Prather of Browning, Mo. Mrs. Ellsberry, whose mother was a Pipes, has written a book on the three families and collected additional data during her visit here.

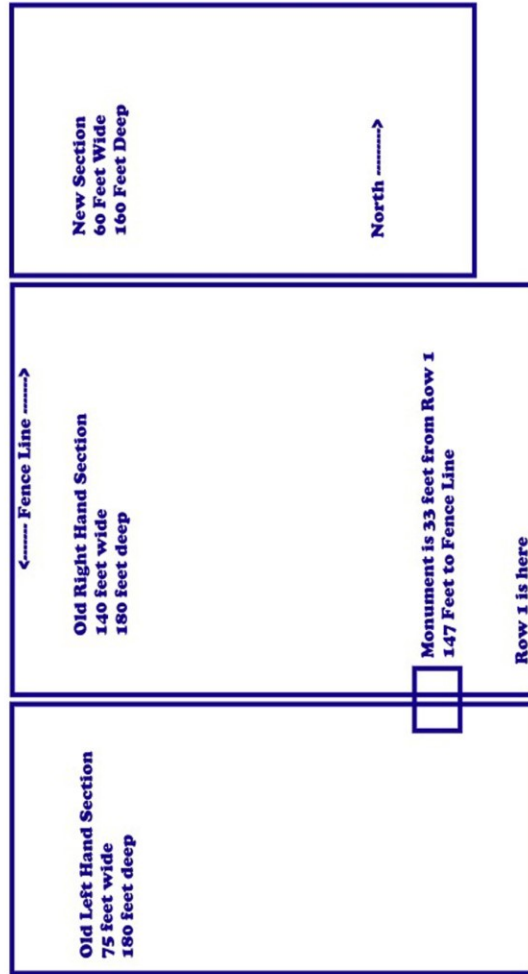
Miss Christine Harmon of Los Angeles, Calif., was the person who traveled the farthest for the reunion. Rev. Lloyd Harmon of Kansas City, a founder of the reunion, was unable to attend this year, the first time he has missed in several years.

It also was decided to hold the reunion at Doctor's Fork Church again next year.



Appendices  
APPENDIX B The Cemetery Site Map 2008

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### The Cemetery

Surname	Given Name	Birth Date	Death Date	Sex	Age	Section	Site #	Row	Space	N
HARMON	P D	10 Sep 1827	10 Aug 1889	M	61	OldRH	22	3	1	113
HARMON	Peter	20 Oct 1782	27 Jul 1853	M	65	OldRH	68	8	1	114
HARMON	R H	20 Mar 1839	21 Nov 1917	M	78	OldRH	73	9	1	115
HARMON	Robert	12 Oct 1870	06 Oct 1889	M	18	OldRH	22	3	5	116
HARMON	Sallie M	1863	1876	F	13	OldLH	13	9	1	117
HARMON	Samantha C	12 Jun 1824	09 May 1891	F	66	OldRH	79	11	1	118
HARMON	Samanthy C	12 Jun 1824	9 May 1891	F	66	OldLH	14	9	1	119
HARMON	Samuel H	2 Oct 1825	14 Dec 1885	M	60	OldLH	11	9	1	120
HARMON	Vernie C	14 Apr 1890	28 Jun 1890	F	2mo	OldRH	19	3	1	121
HARMON	W H	31 Oct 1825	10 May 1904	M	78	OldLH	9	8	1	122
HARMON	W H	4 Jul 1850	02 Sep 1873	M	23	OldRH	22	3	3	123
HARMON	Walter Allen	16 Feb 1901	29 Mar 1993	M	92	OldLH	7	7	1	124
HILL	Dora Bell	28 Mar 1894	Jan 1896	F	3	OldLH	4	5	1	125
HOLLON	John			M		OldRH	44A	6	1	126
HOLLON	Martha	23 Jul 1849	03 Jan 1861	F	11	OldRH	43	6	1	127
HOLLON	R?					OldRH	54a	8	1	128
HOURIGAN	Debo	19 Jan 1866	06 Sep 1928	M	62	New	57	13	1	129
HOURIGAN	Mattie A	10 Jul 1870	16 Mar 1904	F	33	New	58	13	2	130
HOURIGAN	Silas A	01 Aug 1892	28 Jun 1894	M	22mo	New	58	13	3	131
HOURIGAN	Silas A			M		New	59	13	1	132
HUD-DLESTON	W A	May 1874	Sep 1894	M	20	OldLH	5	5	1	133
JONES	Isaac	22 Nov 1838	13 Jul 1891	M	52	OldRH	80	12	2	134