

Based on the prominence of the land holdings and plantation background of the Holding plantation landowners during the period when slavery was present, it is reasonable to suggest that the many Black people named Holding who lived in the area in 1900 and at the time the Government acquired the land were descendants of slaves from the Holding plantation.

The Inman Cemetery (shown on earlier arsenal maps as Emiline Cemetery)

The Cemetery Name. In 1997 the cemetery south of Union Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church was shown as Emiline Cemetery on Army maps. The researcher realized that this was the same cemetery McKinley Jones and Albert Robinson called Inman Cemetery. She discussed this with John Rankin and asked if he would focus some of his research time on historic records that would shed light on this area.

Rankin's research did not find the surname "Emiline" to be representative of any early settlers of the land in this area. However, the name "Inman" is found in the early land records and census records of the county. In 1830, John B. (or "R.") Inman with a wife and daughter was enumerated in the New Hope area. Some of the probate records for John R. Inman of that area, who died in 1837, are presented in Rankin's (2005) and documentary report of RSA cemeteries. The 1937 Madison County estate file for John Inman indicates an association between him and Theophilus Lacey and Pleasant S. Austin, who are known pioneer owners of arsenal lands.

John Rankin sought further information about the Inman family from the following Website: Website Sutton's Place, contact person rsutton22@msn.com. The website yielded the following information.

1. John Richie Inman was born 5 July 1788 in Dandridge, Jefferson County, Tennessee, and died 5 March 1837 in Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama. He was buried in Inman Cemetery, Possom Hollow, Madison County, Alabama. He was the son of (2.) Abednego Inman and (3.) Mary Richie. He married Jane Patterson Walker 22 July 1807 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. She was born 17 March 1791 in Greene County, Tennessee and died 1832 in Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama. She was buried in Inman Cemetery, Possom Hollow, Madison County, Alabama.
2. Abednego Inman was born 1 June 1752 in York, England and died 2 February in Dandridge, Jefferson County, Tennessee. He was the son of Ezekiel Inman (born in 1730) and Hannah Hardin.
3. Mary Richie was born 16 November 1757 in Prince Edward County, Virginia, and died 23 June 1836 in Dandridge, Jefferson County, Tennessee. She was the daughter of John Richie and Jane Davis.

Further names can be found at the web site given above.