

for the “Colored” Timmons Cemetery. Names of those known to be interred were listed and the marble headstone and footstone of Claudie Joiner, with the death date of 1924, were documented, as shown below:

**TIMMONS CEMETERY**

Whitman, Requardt & Smith, *Report on Graves – Colored Cemeteries*

- Maria Elle Timmons, 1937*
- Lottie Timmons, 1936*
- Shelby Timmons, 1924*
- Homer Walls, 1926*
- Joe Walker, 1940*
- Vernal Robinson, 1938*
- Aaron Tate, 1941*

*Grace Joiner, 1922*  
*Grave with marker gone*  
*Claudia Joiner, 1924*  
*Marble headstone and*  
*Footstone*  
*Group enclosed in fenced*  
*plot*

**Author’s Note: PEARLIE JACOBS JOINER** (wife of William Timmons’ son Alexander) WAS ALSO BURIED HERE.

The above documentation of Claudie Joiner’s headstone is irrefutable evidence that the cemetery shown as the Lacy Cemetery in 1999 [now referred to as the Joiner-Lacy Cemetery] is the Timmons Cemetery—Colored. The former residents interviewed in this study identified the cemetery as the former Timmons slave cemetery and said that after slavery, people of the community continued to be buried there.

Walter stated that the cemetery where Claudie is buried, located in a field south of where the Timmons slave quarters had been, was not associated with any church, and had become a community after the days of slavery.



**It has been recommended to the RSA CRM that the name of the Joiner-Lacy Cemetery be changed to the Timmons-Joiner Cemetery.**

The list of the “Slave Inhabitants” on the Timmons plantation in 1850, and the list of slaves John Timmons owned at the time of his death, are shown on the following pages. Following those are excerpts from the census showing some of the Timmons families [Black] who took the Timmons name and remained in the area after emancipation. The family of William Timmons was highlighted in a yellow block by John P. Rankin.