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Location: Section 9-4-2E. W/2 W/2 W/2 SW/4. This cemetery is actually straddling the line between Sections 8 and 9.

The Tennessee Valley Authority's topographical map calls this the Jenkins Cemetery, as do family members, but I could find no Jenkins tombstones. There were Jenkins living in the immediate area according to the 1850 census and a land ownership of 1875 shows a Jenkins owning the land on which the cemetery is located. There are numerous unmarked graves in this cemetery.

The family information, *in italics*, is from the records of Margaret Sanford Connally.

Calloway Potts

April 22, 1823

Feb. 25, 1905

Masonic emblem on stone.

Census of Oct. 24, 2850

Potts, Calloway 27 Al

Elsie 27 Al

John R. 5 Al

Wm. J. 4 Al

Chas. A. 2 Al

Susan J. 5.12 Al

Potts, Morning 56 Unkn.

Potts, John C. 20

A. B. Potts

Feb. 22, 1823

July 30, 1897

[A. B. Potts was Alsey Ball Wright, dau. of Robert Wright (b. 7 Mar. 1762, died 24 Mar 1848) and his 2nd wife Peggy Calvert. Alsey Ball was gr-dau. of Augustine Wright (d. 1766 Amherst Co., Va. & his wife Alice "Alsey" Ball.)].

J. C. Potts

March 12, 1854

Nov. 25, 1881

[This is James C. Potts, son of Calloway and Alsey.] The above three graves are enclosed by a wrought iron fence.

I was told that at one time there was a Potts family plot, containing Potts family members, across the drive from the Jenkins Cemetery entrance but *it no longer exists and was apparently destroyed.*

The topographical map shows there to be a Potts cemetery three-quarters of a mile due northwest of the Jenkins. It is on land that is now a dairy and the owners told me they knew nothing of it. The map shows the cemetery would have been under the drive of the large dairy bard. It is almost certain that no stones are now in existence at that location. Ann Cochran was told by the then-owner that he thought the

graves were "old Indian graves" and cemented over them.

Our devoted daughter,

Nina J. Potts,

Born Nov. 20, 1881

Died June 21, 1898.

L. K. Jones Fields

1858 – 1885

L. K was Lydia Katherine Jones Fields who was the daughter of William Jones and Lucinda Childress (Lucinda was the dau. of Robert Uel Childress and Temperance Connally.) L. K. was the 1st wife of James D. Fields whom she married 6 Feb. 1879.

M. M. Potts Fields

1869 – 1905

This was Martha Matilda Potts, dau.of Calloway and Alsey Potts and 2nd wife of James D. Fields.

Emma Fields Smith

1880 – 1907

Emma m. W. E. Smith

Mills Fields

1890 – 1907

This was George Mills Fields, son of Martha Matilda Potts.

Johnnie Fields

1907 – 1917

Jonnie Fields was son of James D. Fields and his 3rd wife, Mattie Sadler (James D. Fields and wife, Mattie Sadler, are buried in the Gurley Cemetery. See p. 10).

James Percy Fields

1884

April 12, 1917

m. Julia Green.