

the likelihood of the historic cemetery being used as a community burial plot for indigents, paupers, etc., at one time and whether he remembered his father mentioning a connection with the hospital. He recalls nothing of this sort.

12. Marguerite Lacy, Historian, Lakeside Methodist Church

...She has authored several manuscripts of local and regional black history. She is the historian for the Lakeside Methodist Church, a black church which dates to the mid-nineteenth century. She is not aware of the cemetery and there is no mention of it in her files and records.

13. Many people who were born and raised in the Mullins Flat and Pond Beat communities, but were displaced in the 1940s, were contacted.... [N]o one knew the identity to the historic cemetery....

Additional information uncovered during extensive research on the WW2 origins

of Huntsville & Redstone Arsenals:

"Will Move 2,300 Graves In County," *The Huntsville Times*, 20 Jul 41, p. 2.

Bodies of more than 2300 persons buried in Madison County on land to be purchased by the government for the huge war chemical plant will have to be removed to other locations, according to M.K. Williamson, land appraiser of the War Department....

"Most Houses In Arsenal Area Will Be Utilized,"

***The Huntsville Times*, 17 Aug 41, p. 3.**

Problem to be solved by construction quartermaster concerning "removal" of hundreds of graves in numerous small cemeteries scattered throughout area. "Work to be done by