

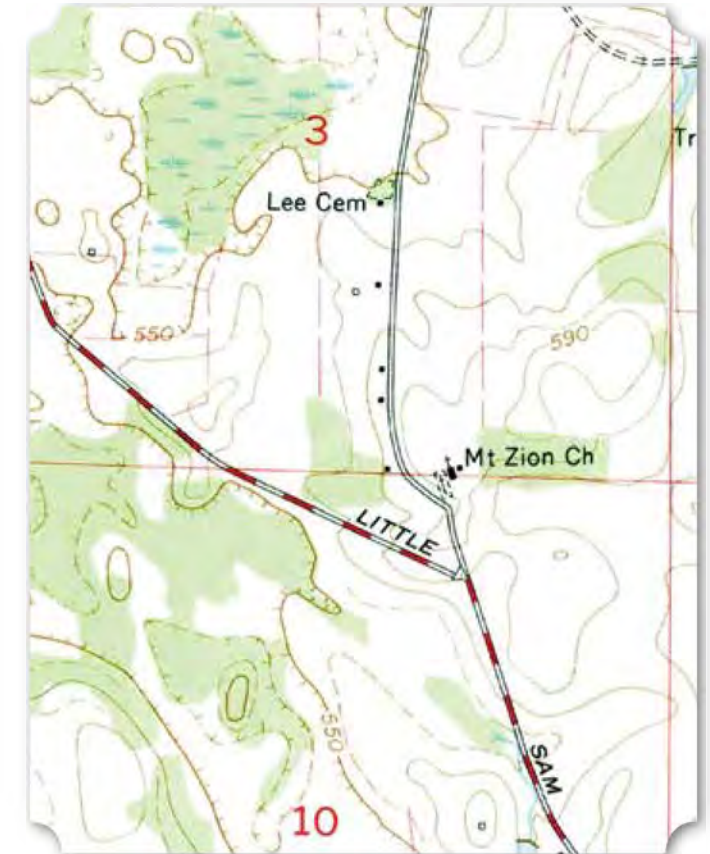


(Left) Photograph of James Rural Warren (Findagrave.com, user Anthony Echols) (Lower Left) Photograph of Malvina Warren (Findagrave.com, User Anthony Echols) (Above) Photograph of Vera C. and Ida Blanche Warren (left) (Findagrave.com, User Anthony Echols)

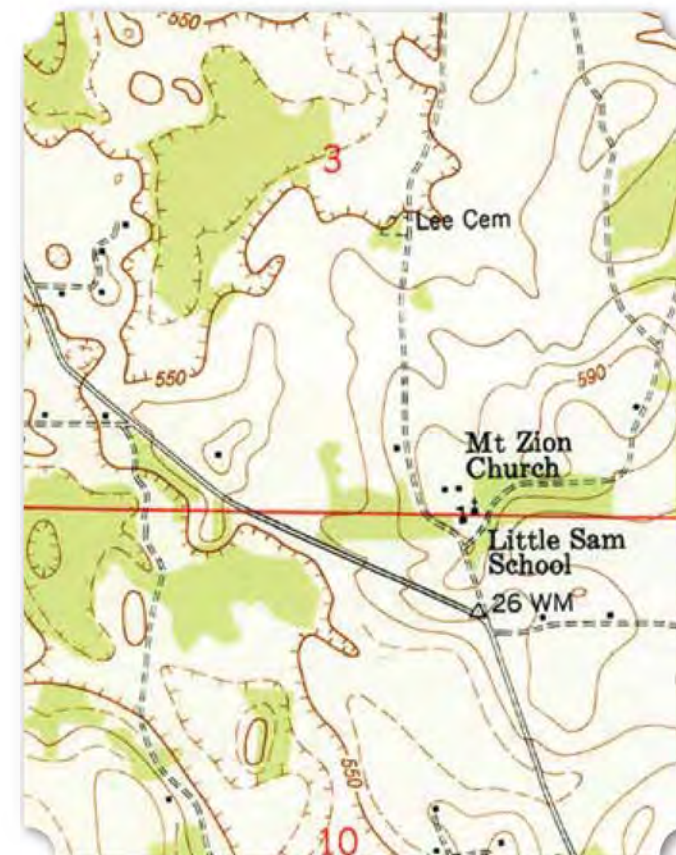
Among the landowners laid to rest here are Audrey (1915-1993) and Adrion Otilla Owens Warren (1915-1989). Audrey's father, James L. Warren (1866-1938) owned a farm in the area since at least 1900. When he passed away, his widow, Anna Ophillea Caroline Stovall Warren (1873-1947), took over the farm and is recorded as head of house in 1940. Audrey and Adrion were living with Annie at the time. Adrion's father, Robert L. Owens also owned a farm in 1930 with his wife Bessie.

Old Town Creek Cemetery

More members of the Warren family are buried in the Old Town Creek Cemetery (African American). James L. and Anna Warren are buried here along with their sons and daughters-in-law, Vera C. (1902-1960), his wife, Ida Blanche (1903-1971), and James Rural (1908-1981) and his second wife, Malvina (1913-1960). This cemetery has at least 170 burials and is just west of Town Creek Cemetery No.1 on the northeast corner of Old Alabama 24 and State Route 101. This cemetery first appears on the 1960 topographic map as "Town Creek Cemetery." The earliest interment at this cemetery is Mrs. Cassie Alexander McCord (1884-1909). Common names include Davis, Jackson, McCord, Stephenson, Stovall, and Thirkill.



(Upper Left) 1936 USGS/TVA Topographic Map of Mt. Zion School, Courtland, Alabama Quadrangle (Left) 1951 USGS/TVA Topographic Map of Little Sam School, Courtland, Alabama Quadrangle (Above) 1974 USGS/TVA Topographic Map of Mt. Zion Church, Courtland, Alabama Quadrangle



16 ■ Little Sam School*

The Little Sam School, one of the rural African American schools in the county in the early 20th century, was located north of Rocky Hill at the fork of county roads 270 and 271. It is included in the school census records for 1930 as Little Sam School. On the 1936 USGS topographic map, the school is labeled Mt. Zion School. By 1951, the Mt. Zion Church is a separate symbol and labeled adjacent to "Little Sam School." On the 1974 map, there is only the Mt. Zion Church, today a Missionary Baptist church.

