



Morris A. Jackson, MD
b.1925 - d.1994
Oaklawn
Little Rock native and Philander Smith College grad. One of the first African Americans to integrate local college (UAMS) and earn doctorate of medicine degree. Community activist who vied for seat on city school board. Served as Council on Community Affairs (COCA) Chair, a group of medical professionals who advocated for desegregation of downtown LR 1963. Dr. Jackson dominated the Dunbar public tennis courts from the 1960s to early 1980s. AR Civil Rights Heritage Trail honoree 2013.

Alto James Robinson
b.1886 - d.1975
Carver
Redwater, TX, native was 4 years old when family settled in AR. Robinson attended NLR public schools; characterized by teachers as a very active and interesting student. Worked with Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. many years. Though visually impaired, Robinson adjusted, and made a great contribution to society through the Blind Foundation.

Lucile Valentine Scott
b.1911 - d.1989
Brookside
Little Rock, AR, native. Attended LR Public Schools. A Bethel A.M.E. Church member, Scott was a faithful ardent worker, especially loyal to the Willie Mae Jordan Missionary Unit of the H.E. Carolina Missionary Society, the M.K. Blakely Sunday School Class and W.G. Wayman Blakely Gospel Chorus. Described as liberal with her presence, her money and her servence, ready and willing to do whatever she was asked to do.

Audrey Lugene Turner Hopkins
b.1919 - d.1978
Tiers Oaklawn
Dunbar High & Dunbar Junior College graduate. Hopkins hosted KXLR Radio, "Jackie Jackson Show"; WWII line foreman; worked with Ordinance Plant; 30 year secretarial career with Dubisson Co.

Gertrude Sparkman Rutledge
b.1897 - d.1976
Maplewood
Pennington, AL, native. Attended private all girls school in Anniston, AL. In 1921 married Jessie Rutledge and immediately moved to raise family in Little Rock. Joined Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, held many official positions including Deacon, Trustee, Supt. of Sunday School

Eben (E. M.) Maceo Ingram
b.1885 - d.1966
Maplewood
Jericho, AR, native. Settled in Little Rock. Ingram scored highest in group taking civil service test; subsequently, one of the first African Americans hired by the U.S. Postal Service. Joined Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, held many official positions including Deacon, Trustee, Supt. of Sunday School

Charley P. Hughes
b.1900 - d.1972
Crownhill
Businessman, community servant. Hughes' barber career spanned 54 years. Organized a group of volunteer barbers to cut hair at Boy's Industrial School in Wrightsville, and provide guidance and inspiration. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes operated a barber and beauty business on West Ninth St.

Hattie Stephens Hughes
b.1895 - d.1987
Crownhill
Philander Smith College grad, 40 year teaching career extended to AR, LA, and MO, Pre-School, Primary and Secondary levels. Launched a second career and worked with husband, Charlie P. Hughes, operated Century Barber and Beauty Shop

Effie Moss Williams
b.1886 - d.1966
Carver
Born in Atlanta, GA. Attended Spelman Seminary. Married Sydney Banks Williams and the family settled in LR 1905. United with Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church under the pastorate of Dr. D. B. Gaines

Dr. Henry A. Powell
b.1886 - d.1961
Crownhill
Born at Madison, AR. Powell lost parents in infancy; raised by uncle and aunt, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Banks. Earned Meharry Medical College Dental Surgery Degree, served LR community for 48 years. Memberships included: Arkansas Medical Dental & Pharmaceutical Assoc., Pres., Mosaic Templars of America; First Missionary Baptist Church, Dr. J.P. Robinson, Pastor, Trustee & Treasurer, 36 years

Zola Johnson
b. d.1993
Eastland
Plummerville, AR, native. Migrated to Indianapolis, IN, worked more than 28 years in U.S. Government Army Office. Settled in LR 1985; united with Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church; engaged in many charitable causes. Ms. Johnson wrote and published a book in tribute to her sister, Corrie, titled *The Life and Works of Corrie Johnson Jarrett*.

Winifred McLemore Whitfield
b.1912 - d.2015
Carver
Born in Little Rock. Graduated high school in California; returned to LR. In 1929 began a 39 year teaching career in LR Public Schools. Married Robert Ellis Whitfield and raised a family while teaching and continuing her education. Graduated Philander Smith College 1949. In early 1960s completed master's degree, UA Fayetteville. After retirement served as volunteer seamstress for Ballet Arkansas, grew beautiful gardens, and lived a rich and full life

Aretha P. Jones
b.1917 - d.2003
Garden of Memories
Self-motivated entrepreneur who attended Draughon Business College in Little Rock, who started her own successful catering business "Catering by Aretha." She catered several parties for Governor Bill Clinton at the Governor's Mansion. After Clinton became President of the United States, on several occasions he requested that she mail him her delicious homemade rolls to the White House.

William Jones
b.1905 - d.1987
Garden of Memories
Born in Fulton, AR. Founding member of "20 Harmony Five" Quintet of Little Rock. Active choir member with New Hebron Baptist Church and St. Matthew Temple Church of God and Christ. Returned to school at a late age to complete education. retired from Reynolds Metals Company after 23 years.

Fred Thomas Jones
b.1877 - d.1938
Annex 'B'
Fred T. Jones, a native of Homer, LA, attended Claiborne Parish School. He later studied at Bishop College in Marshall, TX, and Tuskegee Institute in AL. By 1904 Jones graduated from Arkansas Branch Normal College in Pine Bluff (UABP) and received his medical degree from Meharry College in Nashville, TN, 1905. Jones established many early hospitals and initiated affordable health insurance plans for an underserved black community. In 1915 he opened Mercy Sanitarium in Shreveport, LA. After settling his family in Little Rock, Jones launched several hospitals over the years in historic West Ninth Street neighborhood including Booker T. Washington Memorial Hospital in 1918, later renamed J.E. Bush Memorial Hospital. Dr. Jones and Rev. Charles D. Pettaway founded United Friends of America in 1918. In 1927 Jones directed Great Southern Fraternal Hospital located at 815 W. Ninth Street, and by 1932 launched Great Southern Hospital in Pine Bluff.

Rev. Dr. Rufus King Young, Sr.
b.1911 - d.2004
Masonic
A renowned leader and minister in the 12th Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church who was active in the civil rights movement in the late 1950s. Young was called to preach at the age of 12, received his license, and ordained during that same year. He pastored Bethel A.M.E. Church in Little Rock for 33 years where three of the Little Rock Nine students were members.

Seth and Nannie Fairmon
1860 - 1917
Garden: Oaklawn
According to Haven of Rest Work Order/ Service Report: Seth Fairmon, white Jew, married his slave, Nannie Fairmon, in MO, because their marriage was not allowed in AR. The couple had several children. A marker is placed with the Fairmon name.

Mary Lee Baker
b.1923 - d.2015
Garden Unknown

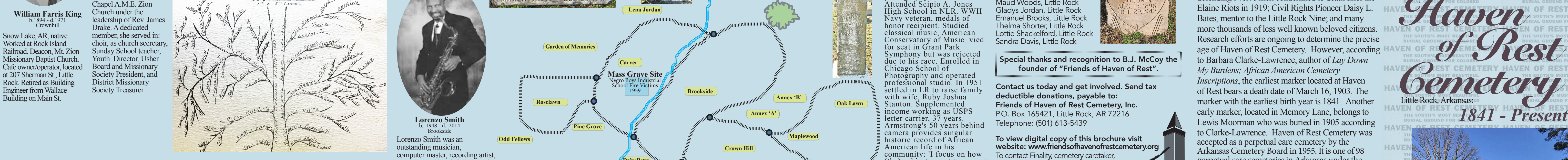
Mustafa Aadil (Dennis Johnson)
b.1951 - d.1984
Garden of Memories

Ralph Armstrong III
b.1925 - d.2006
Maplewood
North Little Rock, AR native. Displayed early musical and photography talents. Attended Scipio A. Jones High School in NLR. WWII Navy veteran, medals of honor recipient. Studied classical music, American Conservatory of Music, vied for seat in Grant Park Symphony but was rejected due to his race. Enrolled in Chicago School of Photography and operated professional studio. In 1951 settled in LR to raise family with wife, Ruby Joshua Stanton. Supplemented income working as USPS letter carrier, 37 years. Armstrong's 50 years behind camera provides singular historic record of African American life in his community: 'I focus on how (the) subjects want to present themselves and capture that for them'.

Ioma Jones Wright
b.1903 - d.1985
Oaklawn
Born at Tuckerman, AR, Ms. Jones moved to LR in 1924. Joined Coleman Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church under the leadership of Rev. James Drake. A dedicated member, she served in: choir, as church secretary, Sunday School teacher, Youth Director, Usher Board and Missionary Society President, and District Missionary Society Treasurer

Kathryn Harrison Barnes
b.1882 - d.1972
Lena Jordan
Barnes Family Tree 1st to 5th Generation

William Farris King
b.1894 - d.1971
Crownhill
Snow Lake, AR, native. Worked at Rock Island Railroad. Deacon, Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church. Cafe owner/operator, located at 207 Sherman St., Little Rock. Retired as Building Engineer from Wallace Building on Main St.



Early 1920s image of the Food Department at the Arkansas State Hospital (formerly called the Insane Asylum) West Markham Street, Little Rock. Alexander Taylor and Charlie Taylor (seated #9 and 10 from L-R) - Oaklawn



Lorenzo Smith
b. 1948 - d. 2014
Brookside
Lorenzo Smith was an outstanding musician, computer master, recording artist, public school band director and entrepreneur. He owned Center Stage Music, a retail music store, for 25 years. Smith and Smith Marketing and Internet Business, Alvin and David Music Publishing, and Music and Brain Power are among his established business pursuits. He believed in promoting music education, literacy and the arts. He received numerous awards and citations for his work in education, music religion and business.

Haven of Rest Cemetery is more than a graveyard. It is a perpetual care cemetery regulated by the Arkansas Cemetery Board. Haven of Rest Cemetery is also the largest burial ground for African Americans in Arkansas and is a repository of historical, cultural and genealogical information. To the historian, it holds precious records of times past. To the student of culture, it is tangible expressions of past beliefs, customs and values. To the genealogist, it offers important clues to family relationships. In 2008, a group of community people initiated a project to clean up Haven of Rest Cemetery. The belief was, we, the community, should support the preservation of this significant part of Arkansas history, particularly its African American history. This group was incorporated and is now Friends of Haven of Rest Cemetery, Incorporated (FHOR) and attorney B.J. McCoy was its first president. Friends of Haven of Rest completed and paid for the following: leveling, paving of the road and fencing.

The Second Edition of the brochure features biographies of a number of those interred at the cemetery. The biographies are from funeral programs collected by Archie Moore, Jr., archived at Butler Center for Arkansas Studies.

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