

## ALABAMA COMB GRAVE CEMETERIES LISTED BY COUNTY:

Total number of comb cems known in AL: 64 (includes 5 ex-comb cems.)

Total number of counties known to have comb cems: 12

Map Co-ords

7.5 Quad

### BLOUNT COUNTY (1)

**Harmony Cem.** N33 51.122 33 51 07.3 Creel  
W086 56.707 86 56 42.4  
4 combs (3 gable scribed); dates 1863, 1866, 1871, 1878  
4 laid stone boxes, one of which is topped with a stepped pyramid  
1.8 miles from Shiloh Cem.

### CULLMAN COUNTY (2)

**Arkadelphia Cem.** N33 54.403 33 54 24.2 Arkadelphia  
W086 57.679 86 57 40.7  
17 combs; mostly headless and many gable-scribed; mixed left over right and  
right over left; dates 1862, 1863, 1864, 1874, 1875, 1875, 1878, 1878, 1878,  
1878, 1879, 1880, 1902, 1907  
2.75 miles from Shiloh Cem.

**Shiloh Cem.** N33 52.534 33 52 32.0 Arkadelphia  
W086 55.885 86 55 53.1  
1 comb and 1 collapsed comb  
1 shelter grave  
1.8 miles from Harmony Cem.; 2.75 miles from Arkadelphia Cem.

### ETOWAH COUNTY (2)

**Leeth Cem.** N34 08.456 34 08 27.4 Rodentown  
W086 03.018 86 03 01.1  
8 combs; 2 pyramid style box graves  
2.5 miles from Scott Cem.

**Scott Cem.** N34 10.053 34 10 03.2 Rodentown  
**(aka Kyuka Cem.)** W086 01.252 86 01 15.1  
5 combs remaining (generally in poor cond.) + a number of former combs  
2.5 miles from Leeth Cem.

FAYETTE COUNTY (6)

**Boley Community Cem.** N33 38.242 33 38 14.5 Berry  
W087 30.782 87 30 46.9

5 combs photodocumented by Mike Henderson.

**Gravlee-Nall Cem**

7 combs show in photos on Find-A-Grave

<https://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GScid=23094&GRid=57658257&>

**Madison Cem.** N 33 38.438 Berry  
W087 33.834

4 combs photodocumented by Mike Henderson, 2 of which are total wrecks. 2018. Some of the combs here are examples of the “jig-saw puzzle” style of construction, featuring gable stones that are notched to hold the side slabs in place, very similar to that photographed at Old Liberty Hill Cem. (in adjacent Walker county) in 1982.

**Melton Cem.** N33 34.688 33 34 41.3 New Lexington  
W087 44.312 87 44 18.7

2 combs photodocumented by Mike Henderson in 2015.

**Old Shepherd Church Cem.** N33 33.180 33 33 10.8 Newtonville  
W087 32.520 87 32 31.2

Has at least two combs, shown in images on

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~alfayett/OldShepherdCem.html>

**Old Union Grove Cem.** N33 36.594 33 36 35.6 Berry SE  
W087 30.748 87 30 44.9

1 comb photodocumented by Mike Henderson.

FRANKLIN COUNTY (1)

**Posey Mill Cem.** N34 18.872 34 18 52.3 Kinlock Spring  
W087 35.261 87 35 15.7

3 combs, one of which is dated 1892, is decorated with 8-pointed stars on both the head- and foot-stones, which are made of slabs of ripple-marked sandstone.

1 box grave

JACKSON COUNTY (1)

**Cargile Cem.** N 34 53.414 34 53 24.8 Doran Cove, AL-TN  
W085 51.654 85 51 39.2

Located on east side of Hwy 117, just outside of Stevenson city limits going north. Three crude limestone combs, very flattened, apparently from collapse. Sides are composed of multiple slabs, possibly originally single slabs now broken (uncertain). One child's comb dated b 1863 – d 1865. Northernmost combs reported in Alabama.

JEFFERSON COUNTY (1)

**Cahawba Cem.** N33 37.267 33 37 16 Leeds  
W086 36.267 86 36 16

At least 6 combs can be seen in photos by Ian Brown.  
[http://www.interment.net/data/us/al/jefferson/truss\\_bapt/](http://www.interment.net/data/us/al/jefferson/truss_bapt/)

MARION COUNTY (1)

**Poplar springs Cem.** N33 57.732 33 57 43.9  
W87 43.368 87 43 22.1

At least 9 combs can be seen in photo on Find-a-Grave:  
<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&CRid=25608>

MORGAN COUNTY (1)

**Roberts Family Cem.** N34 27.895 34 27 53.7 Danville  
W087 03.168 87 03 10.1

According to the webpage, the Roberts family immigrated to Alabama from White Co., TN. It may well be they brought their comb grave tradition with them.  
<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&CRid=25835>

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY (30)

**Baker Family Cem.** N33 20.976 33 20 58.6 Lake Tuscaloosa South  
W087 35.102 087 35 06.1

Cemetery is in front yard of a nice home near the shore of Lake Tuscaloosa. At least 1 comb shown in 2015 photo by Mike Henderson.

**Bethel Cem.** N33 17.084 33 17 05.0 Lake Tuscaloosa South  
W087 31.625 087 31 37.5

Located in Northport, Tuscaloosa Co. At least 3 combs seen in Mike Henderson's 2015 images. Ian Brown reported 2 combs. Spectacular scraped earth cemetery.

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Bethel+Cemetery,+Northport,+AL+35473/@33.2847297,-87.527087,67m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m2!3m1!1s0x8888a7712d31ae83:0x70a6210406d9738>

**Big Creek Cem.** N33 15.022 33 15 01.3 Lake Lurleen  
W087 40.194 87 40 11.6

1 comb reported by Ian Brown and photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Big Hurricane Cem.** N33 13.761 33 13 45.7 Coaling  
W087 19.353 87 19 21.2

Near Brookwood, Tuscaloosa Co. 4 combs photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Boone Cem.** N33 32.200 33 32 12.0 New Lexington  
W087 39.182 87 39 10.9

At least 10 combs, possibly 11 (several completely collapsed and a bit difficult to identify). Dates: 1848, 1877, 1878, 1880, 1890, 1905 Mike Henderson counted 13 combs when he photographed this cemetery in 2015.

**Boone property Cem.** N33 21.162 33 21 09.7 Lake Tuscaloosa South  
W087 34.599 87 34 35.9

Located in the yard of a large home being used (2015) as an office, near the shore of Lake Tuscaloosa. The owner of the home is the past owner of the Tuscaloosa News. 3 combs shown in 2015 photo by Mike Henderson.

**Boys Colony Cem.** N33 15.718 33 15 43.1 Lake Tuscaloosa South  
W087 31.615 87 31 36.9

1 comb grave and other ex-combs photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Bryant Cem.** N33 32.157 33 32 09.4 New Lexington  
W087 38.551 87 38 33.1

3 combs reported by Ian Brown and photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Cam Crowell Family Cem.** N33 31.544 33 31 32.6 Wiley  
W087 27.034 87 27 02.0

1 comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Cowden Cem.** N33 21.735 33 21 44.1 Lake Tuscaloosa South  
W087 36.707 87 36 42.4

1 comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson. Fragments of 1 other possible ex-comb noted.

**Espy Cem.** N33 29.157 33 29 09.4 Gin Creek  
W087 39.201 87 39 12.1

3 combs reported by Ian Brown.

**Gilliam Cem.** N33 29.780 33 29 46.8 Gin Creek  
W087 40.700 87 40 42.0

1 ex-comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Granny Dunn Cem.** N33 31.510 33 31 30.6 Wiley  
W087 23.172 87 23 10.3

15 combs counted by Mike Henderson when he photographed this cemetery in 2015.

**Hagler Cem.** N33 22.932 33 22 55.9 Lake Tuscaloosa North  
(aka Prewitte Cem.) W087 36.198 87 36 11.9

17 combs reported by Ian Brown.

**Liberty Hill Primitive Baptist Church Cem.** N33 33.289 33 33 17.3 Berry SE  
W087 32.058 87 32 03.5

Find-a-Grave image at: <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&CRid=2165847&CScn=liberty+hill&CSctry=4&CSst=3&CScty=88> & showing at least 5 combs and 3 ex-combs. Ian Brown reported 7 combs. Mike Henderson counted 8 combs & 5-7 ex-combs when photographing this here in 2015.

**Macedonia Cem.** N33 20.440 33 20 26.4 Lake Tuscaloosa South  
W087 33.884 87 33 53.0

A well maintained scraped earth cemetery. Note: Visited in 1982; was scraped earth at this time also. 9 combs in 1982, and still 9 in 2012. At least 6 ex-combs, as indicated by remaining triangular end stones.

**Old Center Ch. Cem.** N33 17.02 33 17 01.2 Lake Nicol  
W087 29.408 87 29 24.5

One comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Old Northport Cem** N33 14.122 33 14 07.3 Tuscaloosa  
W087 35.072 87 35 04.3

5 combs photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Old Prewitte Cem.** N33 23.206 33 23 12.4 Lake Tuscaloosa North  
W087 35.928 87 35 55.7

24 combs reported by Ian Brown. 20 photodocumented by Mike Henderson in 2015. Said to be a slave cemetery, at least in part.

**Old Salem Cem.** N33 33.667 33 33 40 New Lexington  
(Old New Lexington Cem) W087 39.200 87 39 12

Freeman combs: 1878 & 1882. Ian Brown reports 2 combs; 2 combs visible at Findagrave: <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&CRid=2369732>  
2 combs photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Piney Woods Cem.** N33 25.842 33 25 50.5 Lake Tuscaloosa North  
W087 30.032 87 30 01.9

Located on west side of Hwy 69, eight miles south of Wiley, Tuscaloosa Co.  
1 comb extant in 1982, plus several ex-combs. This was a scraped earth cemetery in 1982, with gravel and sand spread on it. Ian Brown reported 1 comb and Mike Henderson photodocumented this comb in 2015.

**Rock Springs Ch. Cem.** N33 33.354 33 33 21.2 Wiley  
W087 25.999 87 25 59.9

Located just west of Hwy 69 on side road, approx. 0.2 miles SW of the community of Whitson, Tuscaloosa Co.: No extant combs, but ex-combs indicated by presence of notched end stones present in 1982. Mike Henderson estimated 4 ex-combs when he photographed this cemetery in 2015.

**Sandtown Cem.** N33 34.916 33 34 55.0 Wiley  
W087 29.398 87 29 23.9

1 comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Simpson-Cain Cem.** N33 24.296 33 24 17.8 Lake Tuscaloosa North  
W087 33.996 87 33 59.7

1 comb and one collapsed comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Spencer Hill Cem.** N33 28.513 33 28 30.8 Windham Springs  
W087 23.218 87 23 13.1

1 comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Warrior Cem.** N33 29.673 33 29 40.4 Burchfield Store  
W087 18.761 87 18 45.7

7 combs plus pieces of other probable ex-combs counted by Mike Henderson when he photographed this cemetery in 2015.

**Whitson Place Cem.** N33 34.373 33 34 22.4 Wiley  
W087 24.750 87 24 45.0

Located by Sulphur Springs road about one half mile off Hwy 69, NW of the community of Whitson, Tuscaloosa Co. Two combs (1858 and 1887) extant in 1982.

**Wiley Cem.** N33 31.900 33 31 54.0 Wiley  
W087 27.811 87 27 48.7

Located on south side of Hwy 69 in community of Wiley, Tuscaloosa Co.  
5 combs extant in 1982 (1880s-90s). 5 combs reported by Ian Brown.  
5 combs and 1 probable ex-comb photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

**Williamson Jones Cem.** N33 30.018 33 30 01.1 Tutwiler School  
W087 19.353 87 19 21.1

1 comb and 3 ex-combs seen in Mike Henderson's 2015 images. Find-a-Grave:  
<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=pv&GRid=35260562&PIpi=28719921>

**Yellow Creek Cem.** N33 21.373 33 21 22.4 Lake Nicol  
W087 28.429 87 28 25.7

5 combs reported by Ian Brown and photodocumented in 2015 by Mike Henderson.

WALKER COUNTY: (16)

**Chickasaw Cem.** N33 52.658 33 52 39.5 Nauvoo  
W087 29.567 87 29 27.4

Located near Carbon Hill. 3 combs can be seen on web image posted by Greg Green: <http://gyrabbitoftnorthwestgeorgia.blogspot.com/2012/11/tents-in-walker-county-alabama.html>

**Fairview Cem.** N33 36.117 33 36 07.0 Tutwiler School  
W087 21.054 87 21 03.2

No standing combs. Around 10 ex-combs, as indicated by remaining triangular end stones. 2.55 miles from Old Liberty Hill Cem.

**Fike Nelson Cem.** N33 48.106 33 48 06.4 Townley  
W087 26.289 87 26 17.3

4 combs (one in very bad condition); dates: 1861, 1891, 1894  
4 slab graves and 2 low stacked stone box graves  
0.85 mile from Pleasant Hill Cem.

**Friendship Cem.** N33 41.035 33 41 02.1 Goodsprings  
W087 09.053 87 09 03.2

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&CRid=22903&CScntry=4&CSst=3&CScty=89&CSsr=81&>

Combs seen in photos... about 12

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=pis&PIcid=22903&PIpi=72157107&PIMode=cemetery>

**Gilchrist Cem.** N 33 38.073 33 38 04.4 Parrish  
W087 21.300 87 21 18.0

Located about one half mile SE of Old Liberty Hill Cem., Walker Co.: No extant combs in 1982, but former combs, including at least one with notched gable stones such as the "jig-saw puzzle" comb that still existed in Old Liberty Hill Cem. in 1982.

**Goodsprings Cem.** N33 40.232 33 40 13.9 Goodsprings  
W087 14.165 87 14 09.9

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&CRid=23055&CScntry=4&CSst=3&CScty=89&CSsr=81&>

Said to have about a dozen combs.

**Heard Shoal Cem.** N33 32.143 33 32 08.6 Gilmore  
W087 14.880 87 14 52.8

Also known as Hurd Shoal Cem. Combs seen in on-line photos.

<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&CRid=2295337&CScntry=4&CSst=3&CScty=89&CSsr=101&>

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**New Hope Cem.** N33 51.792 33 51 47.5 Townley  
W087 25.100 87 25 06.0

Located near Jasper. 13 combs can be seen in images by John Wagoner & Scott Fee.

**Old Liberty Hill Cem.** N33 38.275 33 38 16.5 Parrish  
W087 21.828 87 21 49.7

16 combs (including some collapsed combs) plus many (at least 9) former combs (now indicated by the remaining triangular end stones). 3 or 4 combs here feature side slabs engraved with geometric designs (one includes initials). Dates: 1852, 1879, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1883, 1888, 1888, 1888, 1891, 1894, 1895, 1902, 1904, 1909, 1916  
2.55 miles from Fairview Cem.

Note: In June 1982, this cemetery contained 38 combs graves, including one with gable stones and side slabs notched to fit together in an inter-locking manner. This “jig-saw puzzle” comb was an example of a distinctive style used in several cemeteries in this region; unfortunately, this comb was gone in 2012.

**Old Union Cem.** N33 59.832 33 59 49.9 Carbon Hill  
(Union Ch. on quad) W087 34.862 87 34 51.7

1 comb (1899) and 1 ex-comb (indicated by triangular end stones)  
1.7 miles from Spring Hill Cem.

**Pleasant Hill Cem.** N33 48.187 33 48 11.2 Townley  
W087 25.377 87 25 22.6

1 comb, earth-filled (as is not uncommon in Alabama); 1900  
0.85 mile from Fike Nelson Cem.

**Rice Chapel Ch. & Cem.** N33 51.808 33 51 48.5 Sipse  
W087 03.305 87 03 18.3

Collapsed comb grave shown in image at <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSsr=81&GScid=1724275&GRid=6950316&>

**Sardis Cem.** N33 47.937 33 47 56.2 Cordova  
W087 08.834 87 08 50.0

12 combs; mixed left over right and right over left; 2 made from fancy iron fence sections! Dates: 1876, 1877, 1890, 18901, 1898  
Several rough laid stone boxes (cairn graves?)  
Unusual small two-piece ceramic marker, patented 1879.



**Scott Cem.** N33 53.003 33 53 00.2 Nauvoo  
W087 24.818 87 24 49.1

9 or more combs visible in Find-a-Grave image at: <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=cr&GSIn=Cheatham&GSIman=1&GScid=26120&CRid=26120&pt=Scott%20Cemetery&>

**Spring Hill Cem.** N33 58.655 33 58 39.3 Carbon Hill  
W087 33.864 87 33 51.8

4 combs, all earth-filled, yet collapsing. Very nicely carved head- and foot-stones featuring six-pointed stars. Dates: 1887, 1888, 1895, 1898  
3 shelter graves 1.7 miles from Old Union Cem.

**Woods Cem.** N 33 39.923 33 39 55.4 Oakman  
W 087 23.033 87 23.02.0

Located just east of Hwy 69, approx.. 1 mi. south of Enoe, Walker Co. No extant combs in 1982; apparent triangular end stones indicate former presence of combs. In 1982 this was a scraped earth cemetery.

#### WINSTON COUNTY (2)

**Old Union Cem.** N34 00.972 34 00 58.3 Poplar Springs  
W087 27.166 87 27 10.0

4 combs; dates: 1855, 1880  
One tall sandstone marker for Mary Randolph, dec. 1879, decorated with stars, ` traditional "Remember friend as you pass by" epitaph, and numerous cryptic alphabetical symbols front and back and also on footstone. Very unusual marker. Location: Just a few miles south of Rocky Plains Cem.

**Rocky Plains Cem.** N34 03.861 34 03 51.7 Poplar Springs  
W087 26.580 87 26 34.8

1 comb, 1892, and 3 shelter graves  
Location: Just a few miles north of Old Union Cem.