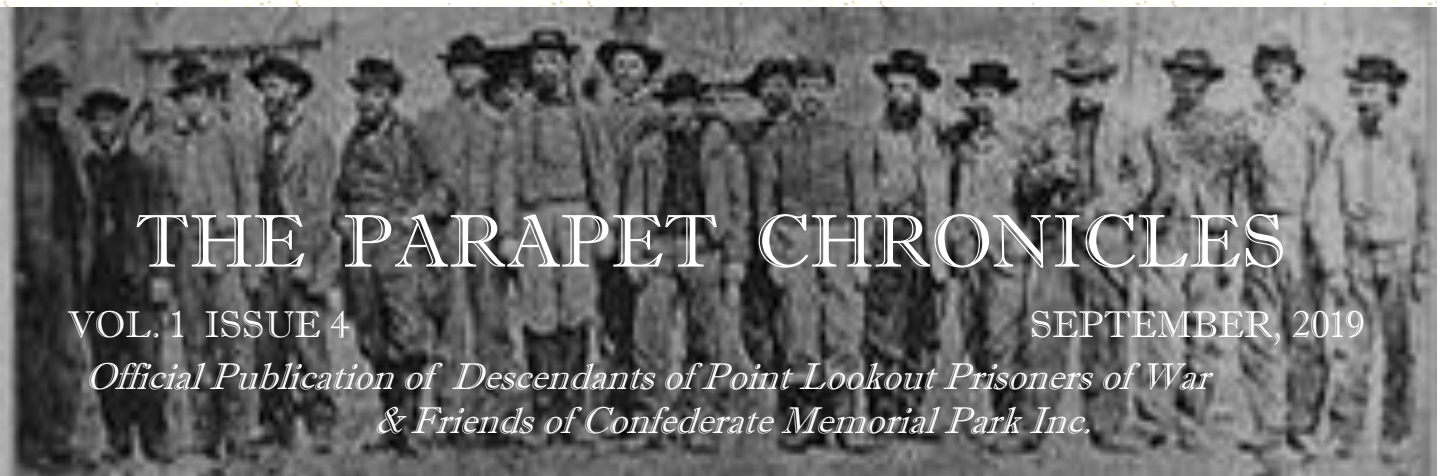




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MEMORIAL SERVICE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019

11:00 A.M.

**NATIONAL CONFEDERATE CEMETERY
SCOTLAND, MARYLAND**

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Tom Unkle, Commander

SCV Camp #1359, Captain Vincent Camalier

GUEST SPEAKER

Terry Klima,

Maryland Division SCV Commander

In Memory of and to honor the sacrifices of
the Prisoners of War,

Military, Civilians of all races, Men, Women,
Children, all who were imprisoned and all who
died at Point Lookout, Maryland

1863 - 1865

EVENT HOSTED BY

Captain Vincent Camalier

SCV Camp 1359, Leonardtown, Maryland



Lunch will be served

after the Memorial Service

under the Pavilion

at Confederate Memorial Park.

RSVP

Annual Meeting

1:30 p.m.

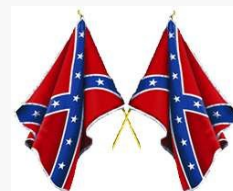
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Questions/Reservations

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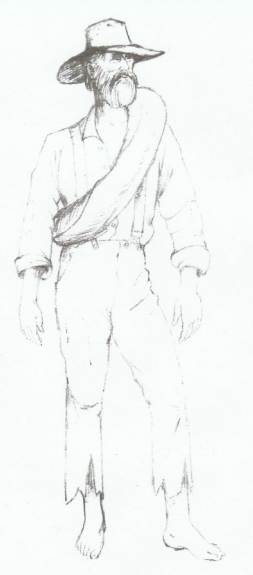
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Greetings

from Confederate Memorial Park Inc.

We would like to Thank Everyone for all the help. Leonard for keeping our grass cut and trimmed, helping with getting the ditch draining and trimmed. Rosalyn for helping keep up with the weeds and making the gardens look so beautiful and both for always being there when we need the help. We'd also like to thank everyone, including our local Sheriff's Department, who go out of their way to check on our Park.



We would like to also Thank our Webmaster Pam Curtin for all the diligent work on our Website. Our Website has changed to www.plpow.org.

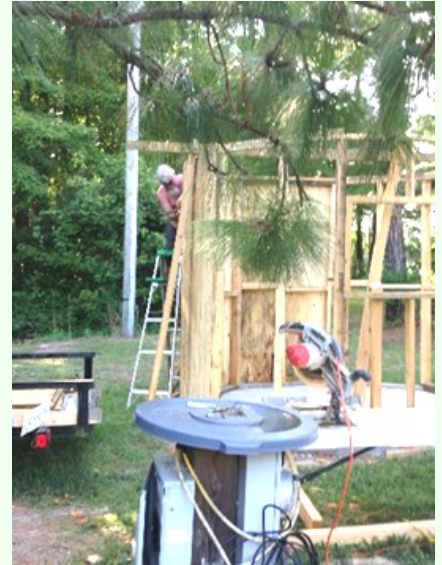
We are almost framing the Souvenir Shop and hopefully it will be completed before the Point Lookout Memorial.

It's hard to believe but our Annual Point Lookout Memorial is a month away. If you have any questions about the Memorial please contact us.

As we near the date of The Annual Point Lookout Memorial consider attending. However if you cannot attend please keep all our Ancestors in your thoughts and prayers as we pay tribute to them on Oct 12th.

Always for Their Memory,
Jim and Christina Dunbar
Chairmen Confederate Memorial Park Inc.

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Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray for Rev. Herman White and the Love he lost, his wife Shirley.

Please continue to pray for Frank and Fran Towberman, our Treasurer/Secretary Betty Mann, our editor Al Perry that they continue to heal and find the strength to persevere the challenges in their life.

Please pray for All our Members and Families who may need those extra prayers.



Good Evening,

Thank You All for the Prayers for Frank Towberman. We received an update from Fran today and her email is copied below. Please continue your prayers.

The 31 Memorial Bricks that were ordered back in April will be delivered tomorrow. There was a mix up with the delivery that delayed us receiving the bricks sooner. Installation of the 31 Memorial Bricks will be soon unless you have specified to us you would like to be present to help install your Memorial Brick.

The next order of Memorial Bricks contains 15 orders, there are 5 spaces left in the circle under the Monument. We will be cutting off the order next week and sending the order into our supplier. If you would like to order a Memorial Brick please have Steve Defreytas email: STDebay@aol.com confirm your Ancestor was a prisoner at Point Lookout or confirm there is not a brick for your ancestor already at Confederate Memorial Park. Then fill out the attached form and send a check in the amount of \$55.00 made out to CMP Inc. to our Treasurer Betty Mann.

The Annual Point Lookout Memorial will be Saturday Oct. 12th. Please let us know if you plan on attending, we would like to have a head count for lunch and the Annual Meeting. You may camp out at Confederate Memorial Park or bring a self contained RV. Lunch will be served after the Memorial Service under the Pavilion at Confederate Memorial Park. The Annual Meeting will take place at 1:30pm after lunch. If you have any questions, please email us. We will be sending you the program when it becomes available to us.

We've been busy down at Confederate Memorial Park building the Souvenir Shop. Thank You Leonard and Roz for all the help last week. We'll also be at Confederate Memorial Park tomorrow 'til Monday evening working on the Souvenir Shop, doing Maintenance and weeding. If you'd like to help or just stop by please feel free to join us.

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plpow@gmail.com](mailto:confederatememorialpark-plpow@gmail.com)

Fran's Email Update on Frank: September, 2019

Hey there - a moment for the computer:>)

My Frank is home from in-hosp rehab--- 1 wk. hosp./ 2 wks in rehab/6 days home now, Frank is looking at 8-10 wks. recovery only on left toe touch to floor{no full weight} now but therapists coming 3 times a week.....the same ones from the stroke experience and they are good~ he is in a hosp. bed with trapeze to help him move/shift. His mood is good---**he's in the Marine / Confederate mode---no pain, no gain + I can do this.**

Looking to get 'mobile' ramps now--- **Thank you for being there for us----** Fran

Be careful for nothing;
but in every thing by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known unto God.
~Philippians 4: 6

Happenings at Confederate Memorial Park

We had quite a surprise when we met Kagen. Kagen had a drone and Thanks to Kagen we can share some aerial photographs of The Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery and Confederate Memorial Park. We know many members are not able to visit and we hope you enjoy the pictures. Confederate Memorial Park is adjacent to The Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery. Thank You Kagen



Point
Lookout
Confederate
Cemetery



Confederate Memorial Park, Inc.

Replacing our Flags at Confederate Memorial Park Inc.

We have been delaying replacing our Flags at Confederate Memorial Park so they would be fresh and robust for The Point Lookout Memorial. However, the flags wouldn't last a month more. Monday, Labor Day we started changing the flags. We had several visitors but one in particular, J.R.

J. R.'s home state is Georgia and he is presently in the Armed Forces residing in Maryland. Thank You for your service J. R and we were honored you raised your home state of Georgia flag at Confederate Memorial Park Inc.



Jesse Right Matthews
Company H, 19th Regiment North Carolina
Troops
(Second Regiment North Carolina Cavalry)
by Richard S. White, Great-Great-Grandson

Jesse Right Matthews, son of Jacob Odom Matthews and Sarah "Sally" Briggs, was born September 19, 1842 in Gates County, North Carolina, and died May 23, 1918 in Aulander, Bertie County, NC. Between 1850 and 1860, his parents and his eight siblings had moved to the Colerain area of Bertie County, North Carolina.

On July 6, 1861, Jesse Right Matthews resided in Bertie County but enlisted in the Confederacy in the neighboring County, Northampton. He served as a Private in Company H, 19th Regiment North Carolina Troops (Second Regiment NC Cavalry). He was present or accounted for through September 1864. Col. Samuel B. Spruill and Capt. John Randolph were the commanding officers (source Confederate pension application).

After the War, about 1866, Jesse Right married Harriett Martha "Martheny" Barnes. She was born 1845 in Gates County, NC, and died 15 Dec 1894 in Mitchells District, Bertie County, NC. Jesse and "Martheny" had seven children, the youngest was Julia "Bessie" Elizabeth Matthews. Julia married a son of another of my Great-Great Grand Fathers also a Civil War Veteran, Lewis Trotman Evans.

Jesse and his family settled in the Hexlena

area of Bertie County, NC. He was a farmer as were most people in the agrarian South. However, he was also a Baptist Preacher. In western Bertie County, he was considered the "father of churches". He founded Center Grove Baptist Church and was their minister for several years. He went on to help establish four other churches in the area.

Jesse's wife of 28 years, "Martheny" died in 1894. After six years, all of their children had married and left home. Julia "Bessie", the youngest, married John Wesley Evans in 1897. They lived next door to Jesse to be close when he needed help. Jesse remarried June 3, 1900 to Mary Jane Mitchell. She was born in March 1871 in Bertie County, North Carolina, and died in 1956 in South Norfolk, Virginia. They had three children.

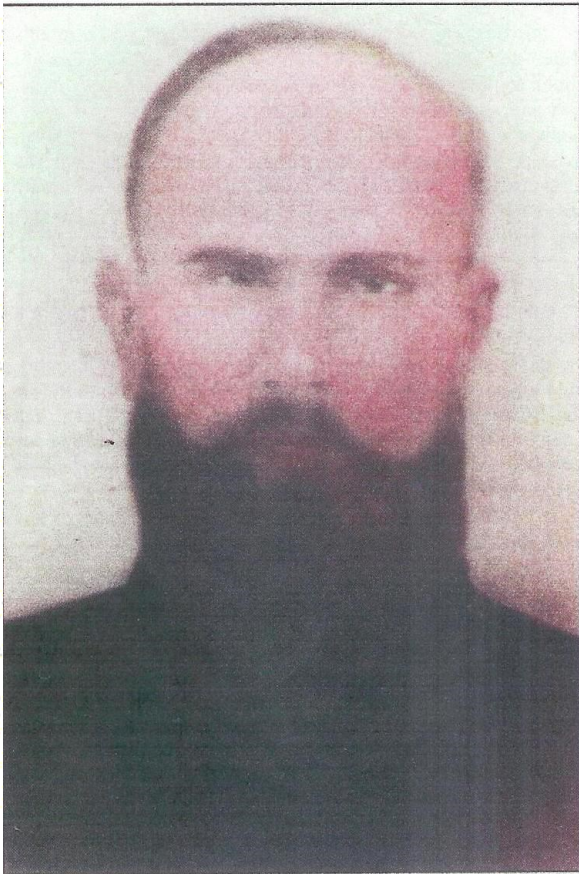
Jesse Right Matthews and Harriett Martha "Martheny" Barnes Matthews were buried in the Matthews Family Cemetery on the family farm in Hexlena. Time has taken its toll on the Cemetery. Jesse's headstone has been replaced with a new one.



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"Martheny's" stone has been broken. The Matthews farm is no longer in the family. Rest in peace my Great-Great-Grand Parents.



Jesse Right Matthews

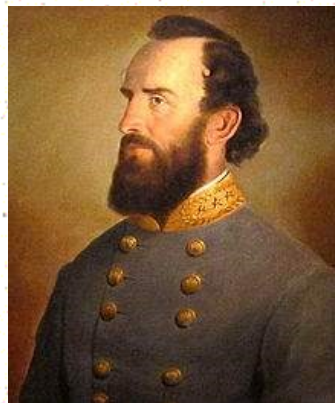


Harriet Martha "Martheny" Barnes Matthews' broken headstone.

*Lest
we
forget...*



"I myself see in this war, if the North triumph, a dissolution of the bonds of all society. It is not alone the destruction of our property, but the prelude to anarchy, infidelity and the ultimate loss of free responsible government on this continent."



~ Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson

Joshua 4: 7

Then

ye shall answer them,
That the waters of Jordan
were cut off before
the ark of the covenant of
the LORD;

when it passed over Jordan,
the waters of Jordan
were cut off:

and these stones shall be
for a memorial unto the
children of Israel

for ever.

History of Confederate Memorial Park Inc.

There are several features at Confederate Memorial Park to enlighten and educate the general public about Point Lookout Prison Camp for Confederates.

An information shelter posts many photos of persons who were held at Point Lookout Prison. Granite plaques of "Voices of the Pen" are the actually words from letters and diaries of a prisoner from each state. Another granite plaque gives a narrative of the "Bean Pot" which is actually a 60-gallon cast iron pot used in one of the cook houses at the prison that your ancestors received their meager meals from. Two national park style interpretive signs, the road side "civil war centennial commission sign" and of course the hundreds of memorial bricks for those that died or survived at Point Lookout provide additional information.

There is also a large blank granite stone that is very much visible to the public. Today I want to enlighten you about that stone.

The stone is about 4 ½ tons, eight feet long, two feet wide and about three feet high. It was placed at our park when the paving stones and the walls of Confederate Memorial Park were being constructed. It was donated by Mrs. Hattie Pratt Dunbar who had it in her back yard. The stone is the same material as the 85-foot-tall Federal Monument in the adjacent Confederate Cemetery. It fell off the delivery barge into the Chesapeake Bay during the construction of the Federal Monument in 1910. Sometime during the 1920's Louis Mayo and John Fenwich retrieved our stone from the bay and set it at Mrs. Dunbar's property, where it sat for about 75 years until she donated it to us. It was transported gratis three miles to our park by "Great Mills Trading Post" Construction Company.

For decades the U. S. Veterans Administration has said they would add the missing names of those that died at the prison to the Federal Monument. To this date all they have done is put a

ringed binder of a few hundred names and spelling corrections in a weather proof box on the iron perimeter fence.

Some years ago, we discovered and copied the actual "Burial Books" of all who died at Point Lookout. These books show that the tally is much higher than the 3,384 names on the monument and the additional 200 plus names on the printed pages in the binder at Federal Monument. For example, on the monument there is only 1 unknown person. However the "Burial Books" list 2,022 unknown persons. In all there are 7,000 plus names with numbered wood grave markers. The markers disappeared by 1870. At that time the state of Maryland appropriated money to purchase 2 acres of ground and construct a new cemetery inland that was much more suitable for a cemetery.

It is our intention to use our granite stone to add bronze tablets of missing names on the Federal Monument. This suggestion will be discussed in detail at our Annual meeting on Oct. 12, 2019.

Jim Dunbar

Chairmen Confederate Memorial Park Inc.



Tully W. Cherry

We regret to inform everyone, Tully, "Tubbles" W. Cherry passed away August 25, 2019. Tully and his son Christopher had planned to visit Confederate Memorial Park in September and install their Ancestors Memorial Brick, Pvt. Asbury Gwynn, Co. E, 61st VA Infantry who survived Point Lookout Prison Camp. We have the Memorial Brick in a safe place and when Christopher is ready we know his Father, "Tubbles", will be honored that he was able to install the Memorial Brick at Confederate Memorial Park.



Tully "Tubbles" Cherry

September 14, 1935 - August 25, 2019
Tully W. Cherry, better known as "Tubbles" by family and close friends, passed away suddenly on Sunday, August 25, 2019 at the age of 83. He was the youngest of eight children born to the late Annie Speight Cherry and Clyde L. Cherry. Tully is also preceded in death by his three brothers Wavley Cherry, James "Bud" Cherry, and Clyde W. Cherry; three sisters, Merriam Swindler, Dorothy Hufton and Elizabeth "Wink" St. Jacques; and two precious children Cynthia "Cindy" Marie and Curtis L. Cherry.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife of

60 years, Gloria Babb Cherry; his son Christopher D. Cherry; one sister Evelyn Cherry Sarro, her daughter Lori and her son Stephen; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Tully was employed by Greenbrier Farms Landscaping for 25 years and retired from there in 2002. Formerly, he worked at Giant Bakery in Norfolk for 19 years.

Tully Cherry was a devoted husband, a loving father, a fan of NASCAR and of country music. He will be forever loved and forever missed.



Faces of Point
Lookout board
at Confederate
Memorial Park



Confederate Memorial Park Inc. Board Members:

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needs an Editor begin-
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Jim & Christina, members and friends,

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity
to be your editor for this year. It is an honour
to be associated with loyal, courageous associ-
ates in a Cause that can not die.

.al perry.

SPECIAL EVENTS SHARED BY MEMBERS

If you have a special event that you would like to share with mem-
bers please submit the event to:

confederatememorialparkplpow@gmail.com



Confederate Memorial Park POW Memorial Bricks



You can place a brick in Confederate Memorial Park, honoring a prisoner of war who was imprisoned in Pt. Lookout POW Camp from 1863-1865. This is in memory of Pt. Lookout POWs ONLY.... those who survived and those who perished there. There were over 52,000 imprisoned in Pt. Lookout, but we won't be able to construct that many bricks, so get your order in today! **Each memorial brick is \$55.00.**

Three (3) lines with up to 20 spaces per line. *Spaces Have To Be Left Between Words.* Punctuation counts as a space. Please print or type all information for brick engraving and customer contact information.

Example Layout of Ancestor Information

F	r	e	d	e	r	i	c	k		W	.		M	a	r	c	h	
C	o	.		A		1	6	t	h		V	A		I	n	f	.	

(please check one)

☒ Survived Pt. Lookout or ☐ Died Pt. Lookout

Required Information:

Please submit proof that the POW was imprisoned in Pt. Lookout with your order. Questions: STDebay@aol.com

Your Name

Last,

First

Middle Init.

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address _____ Phone No. _____

Signature _____

(Please check one) Permission to Include Donor's Name on Our Website Yes ☐ No ☐

Line 3: (please check one) ☐ Survived Pt. Lookout or ☐ Died Pt. Lookout



Confirm your ancestor's captivity with Steve DeFreytas, at stdebay@aol.com. Then mail check/money order for \$55.00 payable to CMP Inc & mail to our Treasurer:

Betty J. Mann 410 Trail View Way, Friendswood, TX 77546-7862



Brick Orders in Honor of Their Ancestors to be installed at Confederate Memorial Park

This current batch of Memorial Bricks will be sent to our supplier soon. This will be the last order of Memorial Bricks until we designate another area at Confederate Memorial Park. We will discuss the area at the Annual Meeting on Oct 12th 2019 after the Annual Point Lookout Memorial. On Labor Day, Sept 2nd 2019, 29 of the previous order of Memorial Bricks were installed. Thank You Everyone for your support and we were Honored to have installed a Memorial Brick for your Ancestor at Confederate Memorial Park.

Descendant

Ancestor

1. S. Keith Vogler	Augustine C. Vogler, Co. D, 57th NC Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
2. Dr. Ken Simpson	Thomas Hester, Co. E, 15th GA Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
3. Dr. Ken Simpson	William P. Franks, Co. E, 15th GA Inf.	Survived Pt. Lookout
4. Richard Abell	Isham Welch, Co. H, 25th AL Inf.	Survived Pt. Lookout
5. Lynda Rutenkroger	George Feagle, Co. I, 15th SC Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
6. Albert McGalliard	James A. McGalliard, Co. B, 54th NC Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
7. Julie Carr	Isaac Cain, Co H 62nd Mtd VA Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
8. Betty Muska	Franklin L. Riley, Co. B, 16th MS Inf.	Survived Pt. Lookout
9. Betty Muska	John Jackson Lee, Co. I, 17th MS Inf.	Survived Pt. Lookout
10. Betty Muska	Josiah A. Lee, Co. I, 17th MS Inf.	Survived Pt. Lookout
11. Deborah Adams	William Kinley, Co. G, 12th NC Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
12. Terry Klima	Thomas Reed Murray, Co. K, 21 st AR Inf.	Survived Pt. Lookout
13. Mark E. Boswell	J.M. George, Citizen, Lancaster Co., VA	Died Pt. Lookout
14. Loretta Lee Smith	William P. Carriker, Co. H, 57th NC Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
15. Lori Lee Bravo	M. A. Carriker, Co. B, 7th NC Inf.	Died Pt. Lookout
16. Marguerite Louise Wix	Mitchell O. Glover, Co. I, 2 nd SC Cav	Survived Pt. Lookout
17. Dwight Spangler	Lt. Clifton Spangler, Co. A 28th VA Inf	Survived Pt. Lookout



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