

# West Pratt (Bethel) Cemetery

<b>Location:</b>	Township 16 South Range 6 West Section 25	
<b>Directions:</b>	Cemetery is located near the old mining community of Praco. (Praco was an acronym for the Pratt Consolidated Coal Company.) At the time of this census, access to the cemetery was by on-foot. Cemetery is northeast of the intersection of Birmingham Road (Ala. Hwy 269) and Alliance Road (County Road 81). A 1982 General Highway Map of Jefferson County prepared by the State of Alabama Highway Department showed a Pleasant Grove Church near the cemetery.	
<b>Miscellaneous Information:</b>	"This cemetery was used by the New Bethel Baptist Church until the 1940s, when the church was turned over to the blacks of Praco. When the blacks began to meet in the church, they started a new cemetery that was nearer to the building." Source: <i>Journey Into the Past</i> by Barry J. McCleney. The above information was contributed by Don Hogan (toygoose@bellsouth.net).	
<b>Approximate number of markers with names:</b>	10	<b>Census completed:</b> 16 February 2000
<b>Oldest death date on a marker:</b>	E. P. Hood 1822 22 May 1896	<b>Document last updated:</b> September 2004
		<b>University of Alabama's Geography Dept's Cemetery Designation:</b> County: Jefferson Map Nbr: 2 Cemetery Nbr: 60

Name	Dates	Additional Information
Information without parentheses is from tombstone Information within parentheses is from outside sources		
Dunn, Irene P.	12 Oct 1912 11 Oct 1972	(Marker was on its side as if it had been thrown.)
Goldsmith, Charles E.	29 Jun 1916 8 Aug 1916	
Goldsmith, David Columbus	22 Jul 1881 21 Dec 1927	
Goldsmith, Edna	5 Mar 1919 17 May 1920	
Goldsmith, Matilda Lee	30 Sep 1888 7 Jan 1920	
Goldsmith, Thomas P.	10 Apr 1919 9 Mar 1920	
Hood, Catherine	8 Jul 1832 2 Jul 1906	Wife of E. P. Hood (Stone broken) (Catherine Prescott; dau. of Thomas Prescott & Nancy ?; married Edmund P. Hood on 24 Feb 1853 <sup>8</sup> )
Hood, E. P.	1822 22 May 1896	(Edward Pierce Hood <sup>8</sup> )
Pridmore, Martha	18 Dec 1909 24 Sep 1915	Dau. of J. W. & N. J. Pridmore
Trice, T. F.	17 Jan 1872 4 Apr 1913	Wife of L. B. Hood (Teresa F. Trice; married Latt Bane Hood <sup>8</sup> )

## Sources

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