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**KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS CEMETERY, ORANGE COUNTY,  
PHOTOGRAPHS  
CA. JANUARY 2009**

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## COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 folders of color photographs; 1 compact disk of same photographs

COLLECTION DATES: Ca. January 2009

PROVENANCE: Gift from Luther E. Hall, III of Indianapolis, February 2009

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2009.0031

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## HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Knights of Pythias Cemetery in Orange County is an African American cemetery located on State Road 56 in French Lick Township two miles southwest of the town of French Lick. It was dedicated in 1923 by Proserpine Lodge No. 27 of the Knights of Pythias. The cemetery is adjacent to Mount Lebanon Cemetery and is maintained by the Mount Lebanon Cemetery Board of Trustees. Nearby is Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church in Norton, which was built in 1875. It appears that the church is not connected to the cemetery of the same name.

Sources:

Lapping, Marjorie. *History of Orange County Churches*. Paoli, IN: Orange County Historical Society, 1996. General Collection: F532.O63 H45 1996

Robbins, Coy D. *Forgotten Hoosiers: African Heritage in Orange County, Indiana*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, 1994. General Collection: F532.O63 R63 1994

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of color photographs of the Knights of Pythias Cemetery and the Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church in Orange County, Indiana. The photographs were taken by Luther E. Hall III, ca. January 2009.

**Series 1, Photographs of Grave Markers:** This series consists of photographs of individual grave markers. They are arranged alphabetically by last name. See the photographs of the thumbnail images to see the order in which the photographs were actually taken.

**Series 2, Other Photographs:** This series includes thumbnail images of the photographs in this collection that show the order in which they were taken, photographs of the Knights of Pythias columnar monument in the cemetery, wide views of the cemetery, and the exterior of the Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church.

**Series 3, Compact Disk:** The disk (#2456) contains all the photographs of this collection

## SERIES CONTENTS

### Series 1: Photographs of Grave Markers

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**Barrett:** Birdie / Aug. 13, 1965;  
Charlie / Feb. 18, 1975

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**Buckhalter:** Irene; Collie Wm.

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**Burnett:** Alvin, V. / 1893–1918 (2 photos)

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**Burnett:** Odis M. / 1872–1923

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**Burnett:** Odis Jr. / Son of O.M. & L.A. Burnett /  
1897–1914

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**Carter:** Azalea / Mother / June 1, 1846 / Mar. 3,  
1922

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**Dorsey:** James H. / Died / Feb. 19, 1943

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**Dorsey:** Susan / Dec. 13, 1929 / Age 70 Yrs.

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**Gardner:** Alexander V. / Indiana / Pvt Student Army  
/ Tng Corps / World War I / January 3, 1890 / May 22,  
1948 (2 photos)

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**Hayes:** Mary / June 14, 1877 / Sep. 13, 1934 /  
At Rest

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**Latham:** James Thomas / Illinois / Sgt. 365 Inf. / 92  
Div. / June 3, 1936 / Born / Apr. 11, 1893

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**Lawrence:** Hattie B. / Aug. 22, 1882 / Feb. 2, 1927 /  
Mother

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**Lloyd:** Ida B. / Feb. 13, 1882 / July 8, 1961;  
Isaac W. / Feb. 6, 1881 / Sept. 14, 1960 (2 photos)

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**Lynn:** Henrietta / 1900–1987

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<b>Morgan:</b> Maggie / Mother / Sep. 12, 1857 / May 12, 1933	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Morrison:</b> Bernice Hanley / Nov. 15, 1964	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Payne:</b> William / Oct. 1, 1867 / May 7, 1925	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Perry:</b> Josephine L. / 1888–1970 / At Rest	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Pitman:</b> [general family marker]; Nathan / 1854–1929; Roy G / Indiana / Pvt Stu Army Tng Corps / World War I / Oct 21 1897–Sept 8 1954	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Pollard:</b> [general family marker]	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Potter:</b> Rosa Wright / Aug. 9 [1841?] – Dec. 4 [1938?] [years are unclear]	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Randall:</b> Thelma Payne / 1904–1937 / At Rest	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Rice:</b> Hugh “Cap” / 1877–1956	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Sebree:</b> [general family marker] One By One The Fallen [Lie?]; Dudley / Dec. 31, 1864–Feb. 5, 1936 / Father; Hannah L. / Feb. 18, 1867–Oct. 15, 1930 / Mother	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Stockdale:</b> Pearl B. / Feb. 5, 1880 / Aug. 8, 1928 / Gone but not forgotten (2 photos)	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Wilson:</b> Ben / 1883–1954; Lucille / Feb. 9, 1959 / At Rest; Willie Cora / 1920–2006 / Kemple Funeral Homes	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2
<b>Yellow:</b> Thelma B. Lynn / Nov. 16, 1900 / Nov. 4, 1976	Cold Storage: Folder 1 of 2

## **Series 2: Other Photographs**

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Two photographs of thumbnail images showing the order in which the photographs in this collection were taken

Four photographs of the tall columnar Knights of Pythias monument, including (1) the entire column on its pedestal; (2) the top of the monument with emblem and the letters FCB for the Pythian motto "Friendship, Charity, Benevolence;" (3 and 4) the inscription at the base of the monument, which reads: "Dedicated A.D. 1923 / To The Memory / Of Those Who / Rest Here / Proserpine Lodge No. 27 / Knights of Pythias"

Three wide views of the Knights of Pythias Cemetery

Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church exterior

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## **Series 3: Photographs on Compact Disk**

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Compact disk containing all the photographs of this collection

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