FINDING CEMETERIES IN THE THC'S TEXAS HISTORIC SITES ATLAS

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) maintains a statewide inventory of cemeteries and makes it available to the public through the Texas Historic Sites Atlas. The Atlas is a database of historic site records with integrated digital maps documenting Texas history, enabling the user to find a historic site's location and other select details. The Atlas contains more than 300,000 site records for a wide variety of cultural resources across the state, including more than 12,000 cemeteries.

Start your search at <u>https://atlas.thc.texas.gov/</u>. The screen will look like this:

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You can perform searches in a number of different ways. These instructions focus on how to view data on cemeteries within a particular county. Remember that this data is not all-inclusive. It represents only those cemeteries for which THC has data. <u>Please note that not all cemeteries are listed by name, or may be listed by an alternate name. Refer to page 5 for how to search by location instead of name.</u>

- 1. From the Atlas home page, click on the second tab from the left called "County."
- 2. Select your county from the drop-down menu.
- 3. Uncheck all boxes except "cemeteries."
- 4. Click "submit."

See the graphic on the following page:



You'll get a list of cemeteries in THC's database. The screen will look like this:

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Clicking the blue text under a cemetery name will take you to the record data, and a link to the mapped location, if available. It looks like this:

Details for Comal County Cemetery (Atlas Number 7091000105) Cemetery — Atlas Number 7091000105					
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C N	Cemetery ID Number	CM-C001			
C	Cemetery Name	Comal County Cemetery			
A	Additional Names	Comaltown Cemetery, Comal Cemetery			
D	Directions	New Braunfels, 301 Peace Avenue.			
C	City	New Braunfels			
C	County	Comal			
H C	listoric Texas Cemetery?	Yes			
	Designation Date	5/22/2000			
N g	Number of graves	9500			
В	Burial Dates	1873 to present			
D	Data Sources	USGS			
A	Archival Source	Comal County Genealogy Society	; Parsons, Kim, Ref. to Texas Ceme	eteries, 1988; Rootsweb; TxDot; USGS;	

The record data will provide basic information about the cemetery, including its location and its HTC designation status, if any.

Clicking on the map tab will give you a snapshot of the cemetery's location on a map. The selected cemetery will be bordered in blue, like this:



In some instances, you might want to start your search using the map, instead of the data records. To do this, go back to the home page and select "Atlas Map," from the top menu bar. You can enter a specific location in the search box, or you can simply double-click on the map to zoom into a location. See:



To see the record data for any feature, select it with your mouse. From the pop-up, choose "Details."



If there is an error in the record data, you can report it to THC using the "report an error" function. See:

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	Data		Click this button to report an error to THC.			
	Cemetery ID Number	CM-C001				
	Cemetery Name	Comal Cemetery				
	Additional Names	Comaltown, Comal County				
	Directions	New Braunfels, 301 Peace Avenue.				
	Source					
	City	New Braunfels				
	County	Comal				
	HTC Designation Date	5/22/2000				
	Size	24 acres				
	Number of graves	9500				
	Burial Dates	1873 to present				
	Feature Type	cemetery				
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	Survey					

If you see numerous errors in the records of a particular county, please contact THC staff directly instead of using the error button. Contact Cemetery Preservation Program Coordinator Jenny McWilliams at jenny.mcwilliams@thc.texas.gov or 512-475-4506.