

P. O. Box 972  
Woodville, Ms.  
Aug. 17, 1993

Dear Mrs. Hiott,

I received your letter in today's mail. I am so sorry that you did not locate the Old Bethel Baptist Church cemetery while visiting in Woodville. It is true that one cannot locate the cemetery without a guide. Also, it is on private property behind a gate which is kept locked, and the owners would have to take you there.

The owners are a lovely young couple, and would be delighted to show you the cemetery. They are in the process of building a beautiful home on this piece of property, and the little lane which winds around thru the trees from Lovers Lane to their house site passes right by the little cemetery. I believe their plans are to work on restoring the cemetery one day when time allows. They also have a lovely old home in the town of Woodville which requires much of their time--but they are young, full of energy and enthusiasm, and will accomplish what they desire, I'm sure! I love going out there to visit with them when they are working and we have often wondered just where the church would have been in relation to the cemetery. Do you feel the church was very near to the cemetery? Lee and Linda Gene would greatly appreciate any information which you might give them on the church. It is of great interest to them because of owning the land. In fact, it might be a good idea if I just give you their name and address, and let you get in touch with them: Mr. & Mrs. Howard Lee Carter, P.O. Box 2222, Woodville, Ms. 39669.

I have enclosed a copy of the cemetery which Lee and Linda Gene gave to me. Lee drew the cemetery as the graves are laid out. There is no headstone for Captain Peter Robert, but there are several unmarked graves.

I hope that by putting you in touch with the Carters, I have helped you a little. This is really all the information which I can give you with reference to the cemetery and church.

Oh, and the delightful lady who helped you at the Wilkinson County Museum was Miss Mary McGehee. You could drop a "thank you" to her in care of the museum, if you should like. I'm sure Mary would appreciate it.

Sincerely,

*"Honey"*

Honey Gross (Mrs. James V.)