

Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Chilton County, Alabama

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The Pleasant Hill Cemetery is the graveyard of the old Pleasant Hill Methodist Church, just north of Maplesville, located on County Road 321 in S12 T21 R11. The cemetery is still in use. It is the final resting place of Theophilus Goodwin, one of Chilton County's Revolutionary War Veterans. He was part of the early Goodwin families that were instrumental in founding Old Maplesville in the earliest days of the area.

The Pleasant Hill Methodist Church appears in the 1878 and later Methodist Episcopal Church conference minutes. By 1906 it is only listed on the statistics page and in 1907 to 1910 it is not found at all. There is one newspaper reference to a Pleasant Hill Methodist Church Sunday School in 1910 so perhaps they existed but disassociated from the conference around 1906.



The church and cemetery on the 1911 USDS Soil Map (left) and on the ca. 1925 US Postal Route Map (right).

The Baptists of Bibb book, published in 1979, said that the church was Methodist and was extinct. It has a listing of burials.

In the mid-20th Century there were funeral services held at the nearby Pleasant GROVE Church for burials in this cemetery. Today, the cemetery is listed in the online property records as the Pleasant GROVE Cemetery. Perhaps this nearby Pleasant Grove Church currently maintains the cemetery?