

**Grant For Bryan Cemetery  
Curt Wright's Collection**

B. B. Bryan, wit. p.580

To} Deed Scale: 20 poles per inch.

M. G. Bryan

Trustee for graveyard

Whereas, I, B. B. Bryan have heretofore enclosed a certain spot of land containing one tenth of an acre with a substantial stone wall, to be used for the interment of my own family and for that of certain other families, namely that of E. D. Hicks, A. N. Bryan, M. L. Steadman, T. Hardin and C. W. Bonner.

That portion allotted for E. D. Hicks family lies on the west side of said enclosure and embraces a strip four rods long and 20 links wide, including its walls that touches in the measurement.

The strip allotted for A. N. Bryan family lies also on the west side and be side of said enclosure and is 4 poles long and 13 links wide.

The strip allotted to M. L. Steadman, T. Hardin, and C. W. Bonner, lies on its east side of said enclosure and is 4 poles long and 17 links wide, also including its walls in the measurement.

The remaining intermediate space lying within said enclosure is reserved for my own family, and whereas, I the said, B. B. Bryan and his wife Mary E. Bryan are desirous of donating nine tenths of an acre in addition to the foregoing for a public burying ground, making one acre in the whole for the interment of white persons only.

Now therefore, We the said, B. B. Bryan and wife Mary E. Bryan do give, grant and convey a certain lot of land in trust, to M. G. Bryan, to be held by him and his heirs and assigns for the before mentioned trustee, and for no other purpose whatever, said lot of land situated in Civil District 1, of Lincoln County Tennessee, and bound as follows.

Beginning at a rock in E. D. Hicks north boundary line and 8 links north of a black walnut pointer and running thence north 5 east, 12 8/10 poles to a rock with an elm pointer, thence south 85 east 13 4/10 poles to a rock, thence south, 7 west 12 8/10 poles to the beginning. The whole containing one acre, be the same more or less, that part enclosed in the stone wall contains 1/10 of an acre to have and to hold the same, to the said M. G. Bryan, in trust with entitlement forever.

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In testimony whereof, we the said, B. B. Bryan and wife Mary E. Bryan do hereunto subscribe our names and affix our seals, on this the 16th of July 1891.

E. D. Hicks B.B. Bryan {seal}

L. L. Neece M.E. Bryan {seal}

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State of Tennessee            ]  
Lincoln County                ] To J. W. Rawls, Esq.

You are hereby authorized and empowered to take into examination of Mrs. Mary E. Bryan privately and apart from her husband, relative to the free section of the foregoing instrument and the same as taken, to certify under your hand and seal. Witness E. S. Wilson, Clerk of said court at office this 7th day of April 1891

E. S. Wilson, Clerk

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Mrs. Mary E. Bryan, wife of B. B. Bryan has personally appeared before me and having by virtue of the authority in me vested,

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been examined privately and apart from her husband, and she having acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument by her freely, voluntarily and understandingly without compulsion or constraint by her said husband, and for the purposes therein purposed the same is therefore certified .

Witness: my hand and seal, this 16th day of July 1891.

J. W. Rawls. JP

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Personally appeared before me, J. E. Poindexter, Clerk of the County Court of said county and state, E. D. Hicks and L. L. C. Neece, subscribing witnesses to the foregoing instrument with whom I am personally acquainted, we being first duly sworn ?, and say that they are personally acquainted with B. B. Bryan, the bargainer and that he acknowledged the same in his presence to be his act and deed for its purposes therein contained.

Witness my hand at office, in Fayetteville this 24th day of Sept. 1894.

J. E. Poindexter, Clerk

Rec'd March 6th 1895 at 2:10 o'clock, P.M. and registered March 7th 1895.