

Thomas Hart

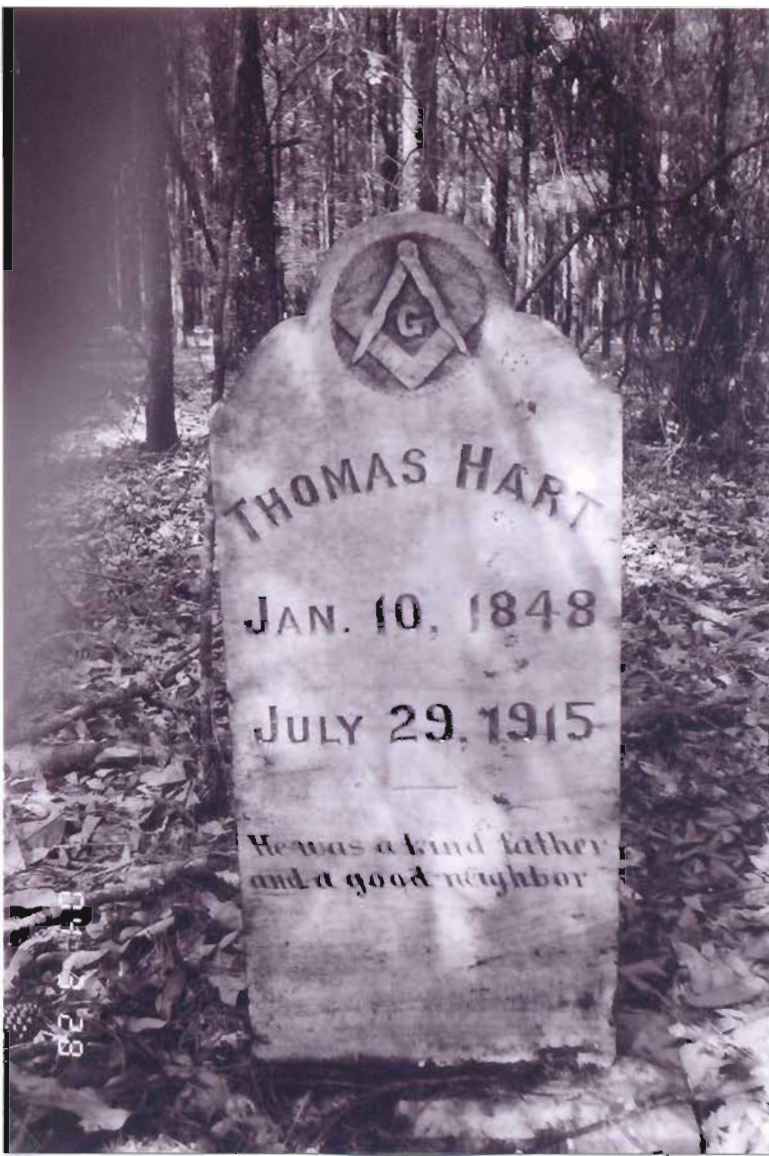
1848 – 1915

Spouse of: Ezeretta Egreta “Williford” Hart

Son of: Jesse J. & Sena Adaline “Baxter” Hart

Note: Thomas Hart was the son of Jesse Hart. Jesse and Brother Levi settled in the present day area of Malone, Florida in the third decade of 1800. They joined their brother “Hardy” who had arrived a few years prior. The three brothers owned adjoining land which combined was a considerable spread. Hardy owned a large general store, blacksmith shop and also farmed until turning it all over to his youngest son Nicholas Lewis who was barely 21 years of age. Health issues were perhaps instrumental in the transfer of responsibility. Hardy died in 1866 and was buried at Collins Cemetery which was within site of his home place. Sixteen years prior to Hardy dying Levi and Jesse sold their land to plantation owner David Collins. Both purchased land a few miles west in an area known as the Forks of the Creek. Levi remained there until his death in 1871 and was buried in local Pleasant Ridge Cemetery. Jesse farmed there until the mid 60’s and then turned the farm over to his son “Thomas” and moved to Suwannee County, Florida. Instead of Thomas using the local Pleasant Ridge Cemetery he established his own family cemetery a couple hundred yards from his home place. The Hart Cemetery was very active for several decades and being close to his house perhaps well kept. Now it rests deep in the woods a half mile from the nearest road. The only visitor in the past half century is probably an occasional hunter. A dozen headstones remain vertical (10 legible). Probing indicates at least a dozen more unmarked graves.





Abandoned Hart Cemetery of Yester-year

